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1	A bill to be entitled								
2	An act relating to advanced well stimulation								
3	treatment; amending s. 377.19, F.S.; defining the term								
4	"advanced well stimulation treatment"; conforming a								
5	cross-reference; creating s. 377.2405, F.S.;								
6	prohibiting the performance of advanced well								
7	stimulation treatments; clarifying that permits for								
8	drilling or operating a well do not authorize the								
9	performance of advanced well stimulation treatments;								
10	providing applicability; providing an effective date.								
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12	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:								
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14	Section 1. Present subsections (1) through (32) of section								
15	377.19, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (2)								
16	through (33), respectively, present subsection (5) of that								
17	section is amended, and a new subsection (1) is added to that								
18	section, to read:								
19	377.19 DefinitionsAs used in ss. 377.06, 377.07, and								
20	377.10-377.40, the term:								
21	(1) "Advanced well stimulation treatment" means all stages								
22	of a well intervention performed by injecting fluids into a rock								
23	formation:								
24	(a) At pressure that is at or exceeds the fracture								
25	gradient of the rock formation and the purpose or effect is to								
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26	fracture the formation to increase production or recovery from							
27	an oil or gas well, such as hydraulic fracturing or acid							
28	fracturing; or							
29	(b) At pressure below the fracture gradient of the rock							
30	formation and the purpose or effect is to dissolve the formation							
31	to increase production or recovery from an oil or gas well, such							
32	as matrix acidizing.							
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34	The term does not include techniques used for routine well							
35	cleanout work, well maintenance, or removal of formation damage							
36	due to drilling or production, or acidizing techniques used to							
37	maintain or restore the natural permeability of the formation							
38	near the wellbore.							
39	<u>(6)(5) "Gas" means all natural gas, including casinghead</u>							
40	gas, and all other hydrocarbons not defined as oil in subsection							
41	<u>(16)</u> .							
42	Section 2. Section 377.2405, Florida Statutes, is created							
43	to read:							
44	377.2405 Advanced well stimulation treatments							
45	(1) BANThe performance of advanced well stimulation							
46	treatments is prohibited in this state. A permit for drilling or							
47	operating a well does not authorize the performance of advanced							
48	well stimulation treatments.							
49	(2) APPLICABILITYThis section only applies to wells							
50	regulated pursuant to chapter 377.							
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51		Section	3.	This	act	shall	take	effect	upon	becoming	а	law.
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