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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO.

Oil and gas conservation commission-regulation of pits.

Sponsored by: Joint Minerals, Business & Economic
Development Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to oil and gas; amending the authority of
2 the Wyoming oil and gas conservation commission to regulate
3 noncommercial reserve pits, produced water retention pits
4 and emergency overflow pits as specified; and providing for
5 an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 30-5-104(d)(vi)(A) is amended to read:

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11 **30-5-104. Oil and gas conservation commission; powers**
12 **and duties; investigations; rules and regulations.**

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2 (d) The commission has authority:

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4 (vi) To regulate, excluding discharges permitted
5 under the national pollutant discharge elimination system,
6 the:

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8 (A) Location, construction, operation and
9 reclamation of all noncommercial reserve pits and produced
10 water retention and emergency overflow pits used solely for
11 the storage, treatment and disposal of drilling fluids,
12 produced waters, emergency overflow wastes or other oil
13 field wastes associated with the maintenance and operation
14 of oil and gas exploration and production wells ~~on a lease,~~
15 ~~unit or communitized area~~ in such a manner as to prevent
16 the contamination of the waters of the state;

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18 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2025.

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