



## Governmental Affairs Bill Tracking & Reporting (2023 Session)

State/ Session end	Bill No.	Sponsor (D/R)	Description	Status
<b>Alaska</b> Ends 5/16/24	Access all bills: <a href="http://www.akleg.gov/basis/Home/BillsandLaws">http://www.akleg.gov/basis/Home/BillsandLaws</a>			
	HB 32	R	Relates to appeals of administrative decisions related to oil or gas; [and] establishing an oil and gas production working group	In committee
	HB 33	D	Relates to penalties for discharges of oil and other pollution violations	In committee
	HB 49	R	Establishes a statewide carbon offset program within the Department of Natural Resources. The proposed offset program has the potential to generate an additional revenue stream for the State of Alaska through biologic carbon storage projects that can mitigate a portion of the carbon dioxide emitted by activities around the State, nation, and world. This offset program will allow private parties to lease state land in order to undertake carbon offset and management programs and would allow the Department of Natural Resources to implement its own carbon offset projects on State lands	In committee
	HB 50	R	Would create the Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage Act and provide for carbon capture, storage and the related regulatory implementation	In committee
	HB 74	R	This legislation consolidates authority for regulating geothermal resources in the state under the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (AOGCC). This activity currently falls under the Commission's authority	In committee
✓	HJR 6	R	Joint resolution "Supporting oil and gas leasing and development within the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska; and urging President Biden and the United States Department of the Interior to approve the Willow Master Development Plan"	Enacted
X	SB 50	R	Amends existing law regarding "the assessment of property for the purposes of the oil and gas exploration, production, and pipeline transportation property tax"	Withdrawn by bill sponsor
	SJR 7	R	"Supporting oil and gas leasing and development within the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska; and urging President Biden and the United States Department of the Interior to approve the Willow Master Development Plan"	In committee
<b>Arizona</b> Ends 4/30/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview?SessionID=122">https://apps.azleg.gov/BillStatus/BillOverview?SessionID=122</a>			
	HB 2702	R	Relating to solar or wind energy projects, the bill sets forth that "a business may not contract or subcontract with a resident of this state or a business in this state to construct a solar or wind energy project that reduces the size of a grazing lessee's grazing operation unless the business compensates the grazing lessee" as provided	In committee

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	SB 1115	R	Prohibits sale of state lands to foreign entities and makes technical changes to state lands provisions	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 1354	D	Would ban hydraulic fracturing. (A version of this bill is introduced every year and never advances)	In committee
<b>Arkansas</b> Ends 3/15/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/">https://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/</a>			
	HB 1239	R	Would repeal the Arkansas Corporate Franchise Tax Act of 1979. "Under current law, a business formed in the state or transacting business in the state must file an annual report and pay an annual franchise tax to the Secretary of State. The first \$8,000,000 of franchise tax and penalty collected is General Revenue and any amount exceeding \$8,000,000 is transferred to the Educational Adequacy Fund. HB1239 repeals the Act so that the franchise tax, including all payment and reporting requirements, would cease"	In committee
	HB 1549	R	Amends existing law concerning the calculation and distribution of royalty gas sold from a drilling unit following an integration order and the procedure for distributions to royalty owners. The bill also defines "proceeds"	In committee
	SB 207	R	Would amend various sections of the Arkansas Corporate Franchise Tax Act of 1979	Passed Senate; to House
✓	SB 210	R	Amends the underground storage of gas law to include certain other gases	Enacted 2/27/23; Eff. 90 days after session adjourn
<b>California</b> 11/30/24	Access all bills: <a href="http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billSearchClient.xhtml">http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billSearchClient.xhtml</a>			
	ABX1-3 <i>special session</i>	D	Would require California refineries to increase the amount of oil from within the state that they buy and process rather than importing the majority from out of the country	In committee
	SB 252	D	Introduced last year and failed to pass, would "force the state's public pension funds to divest from fossil fuels"	In committee
	SB 253	D	Climate Corporate Data Accountability Act. Introduced last year and failed to pass, "would require corporations with more than \$1 billion in revenue that operate in California to publicly disclose their greenhouse gas emissions"	In committee
	SB 261	D	Introduced last year and failed to pass, "requires companies that earn more than \$500 million in revenue to prepare climate-related financial risk reports"	In committee
<b>Colorado</b> Ends 5/8/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://leg.colorado.gov/bills">https://leg.colorado.gov/bills</a>			
	HB23-1069	D	Would create the biochar in oil and gas well plugging working advisory group in the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. The work group's purpose is to make	In committee

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			recommendations for the development of a pilot program to study the use of biochar in the plugging of oil and gas wells	
	HB23-1074	D	Would create a study regarding workforce transitions to other industries, and includes evaluating “the skill transferability of workers in the oil and gas industry and in occupations in Colorado that are facing the most disruption due to automation	In committee
	HB23-1121	D	Would repeal “infrequently used tax expenditures” which includes The oil shale excess percentage depletion income tax deduction; the mining and milling impact assistance corporate income tax credit; the oil shale equipment and machinery severance tax deduction; the oil shale processing severance tax deduction; the oil shale severance tax rate reductions; the oil shale noncommercial production severance tax exemption; and the mineral and mineral fuels impact assistance severance tax credit	Passed both
	HB23-1152	R	Would prohibit foreign ownership of agricultural and natural resources	In committee
	HB23-1242	D	Requires an oil and gas operator in the state on or before January 31, 2024, and at least annually thereafter, to report information to the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission regarding the operator’s use of water entering, utilized at, or exiting each of the operator’s oil and gas locations. The bill also requires the Commission to adopt related rules and requires the Commission to report certain related information	In committee
	SB23-016	D	Would establish greenhouse gas (GHG) “reduction goals of 65 percent by 2035, and 80 percent by 2040, 90 percent by 2045, and increases the 2050 goal to 100 percent; and authorizes the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) to regulate Class VI Injection Wells after publicly determining that the COGCC has the necessary resources to ensure the safe and effective regulation of these wells;” among other related GHG reduction provisions	In committee
<b>Florida</b> 3/7/23 → 5/5/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://www.myfloridahouse.gov/Sections/Bills/bills.aspx">https://www.myfloridahouse.gov/Sections/Bills/bills.aspx</a>			
<b>Georgia</b> Ends 4/2/24	Access all bills: <a href="https://www.legis.ga.gov/legislation/all">https://www.legis.ga.gov/legislation/all</a>			
<b>Idaho</b> Ends 3/31/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://legislature.idaho.gov/sessioninfo/">https://legislature.idaho.gov/sessioninfo/</a>			
	HB 96	R	Would amend “existing law to provide for the promotion and development of clean energy resources for declared purposes, to revise provisions regarding powers of the	Passed both

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			Idaho Energy Resources Authority, and to provide for clean energy generation projects”	
	HB 173	R	Would prohibit a foreign government or foreign government-controlled entity from purchasing, acquiring or holding a controlling interest in agricultural land, water rights, mining claims or mineral rights in the state of Idaho	Passed House; to Senate
	HB 120	R	Amends and repeals existing law to revise provisions regarding the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, spacing units, oil and gas wells, the integration of tracts, reporting requirements, public data, confidentiality of well and trade information, rules, and royalties and to provide for minimum surface use bonds	Passed House; to Senate
	HB 537	R	Would provide “a water right permit exception for beneficial use of water produced by oil and gas operations”	In committee
<b>Illinois</b> Ends 1/5/25	Access all bills: <a href="http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/default.asp">http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/default.asp</a>			
	HB 1122	D	Creates the Freelance Worker Protection Act and provides “that freelance workers must be compensated by hiring parties for their services in a timely manner. Provides that whenever a hiring party retains the services of a freelance worker, the contract between the hiring party and the freelance worker shall be reduced to writing,” among related provisions	In committee
	HB 1143	R	Amends the Illinois Hydraulic Fracturing Tax Act to provide “that moneys received under the Act shall be paid into the State Pensions Fund and shall be used only for the funding of the unfunded liabilities of the designated State-funded retirement systems”	In committee
	HB 2202	D	Creates the Underground Carbon Dioxide Storage Act. The bill specifically provides “that the Act applies to the underground storage of carbon dioxide but does not apply to extractable mineral resources, and the rights and requirements of the Act are subordinate to the rights pertaining to oil, gas, and coal resources. Provides that a storage operator may not operate a storage facility without a storage facility permit issued by the Department of Natural Resources. Includes provisions regarding pore space ownership; integration of ownership interests; fees; requirements for drilling near a storage facility; the applicability of certain tort claims; certificate of project completion; and rulemaking”	In committee
	HB 2269	D	Amends the Electronic Wills and Remote Witnesses Act and changes the short title of the Act to the Electronic Wills, Electronic Estate Planning Documents, and Remote Witnesses Act. The bill defines various estate, trust, and testamentary terms and provides for electronic estate-related documents and signatures	In committee
✓	HB 2870 (carryover bill from	D	Original bill would have expanded definitions related to forms of recorded instruments and provided for fees	Enacted 2/10/23; Eff. immediately

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	last session)		related to non-standard documents, however the final enacted bill removed all of these proposals.	
	HB 3119	D	Would create the Carbon Dioxide Transport and Storage Protections Act and provides multiple provisions related to carbon sequestration	In committee
	HB 3441	D	Would amend the Employee Classification Act and "Provides that in making a determination of a worker's classification under this Act, the Department of Labor shall consider any guidance provided by the Internal Revenue Service of the United States Department of the Treasury"	In committee
✓	HB 4412 (carryover bill from last session)	D	Requires counties and municipalities to adopt statewide standards for utility-scale solar and wind facilities among numerous implementing provisions related to a commercial wind energy facility or commercial solar energy facility	Enacted 1/27/23; Eff. immediately
	SB 2421	D	Creates the Carbon Dioxide Transport and Storage Protections Act and defines certain terms. The bill provides "that (i) title to pore space belongs to and is vested in the surface owner of the overlying surface estate, (ii) a conveyance of title to a surface estate conveys title to the pore space in all strata underlying the surface estate, and (iii) title to pore space may not be severed from title to the surface estate. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, prohibits the amalgamation of pore space under the Eminent Domain Act." The bill also makes other amendments to the law related to carbon sequestration, including requirements and permits	In committee
<b>Indiana</b> Ends 3/7/23				
Access all bills: <a href="http://iga.in.gov/">http://iga.in.gov/</a>				
	SB 32	D	Would require the Department of State Revenue, the State Department of Labor, the Worker's Compensation Board of Indiana, and the Department of Workforce Development to report certain data related to the misclassification of workers each year for three years to the Interim Study Committee on Employment and Labor	In committee
	SB 247	R	Provides that a carbon sequestration project may not be undertaken unless the project is approved by the county legislative body (for a project located in the unincorporated area of a county) or the city or town legislative body (for a project located in a city or town)	In committee
	SB 412	R	Authorizes the Division of Water of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to file, in the deed records of a county recorder's office, an affidavit stating that a violation or deficiency that is the subject of an enforcement action exists on a particular property in the county	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 451	R	Provides provisions regarding the carbon sequestration pilot project	Passed Senate; to House

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<b>Kansas</b> Ends 5/21/24	Access all bills: <a href="http://www.kslegislature.org/li/">http://www.kslegislature.org/li/</a>			
	HB 2159	R	Would amend existing law to create certain fees for the regulation of underground injection control wells	In committee
✓	SCR 1602	R	Resolution disapproving the designation of the lesser prairie-chicken as a threatened species in Kansas by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service	Adopted 2/9/23
<b>Kentucky</b> Ends 3/30/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://legislature.ky.gov/Legislation/Pages/default.aspx">https://legislature.ky.gov/Legislation/Pages/default.aspx</a>			
	SB 123	R	Amends notarial law regarding out of state notarial acts	Passed Senate; to House
<b>Louisiana</b> Starts 4/10/23 → 6/8/23	Access all bills: <a href="http://www.legis.la.gov/legis/BillSearch.aspx?sid=LAST">http://www.legis.la.gov/legis/BillSearch.aspx?sid=LAST</a>			
<b>Maryland</b> Ends 4/10/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/07leg/html/proc.html">https://msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/07leg/html/proc.html</a>			
<b>Michigan</b> Ends 12/31/24	Access all bills: <a href="https://www.legislature.mi.gov/(S(hybtodo1hgo2y4jsmuzxecrb))/mileg.aspx?page=Bills">https://www.legislature.mi.gov/(S(hybtodo1hgo2y4jsmuzxecrb))/mileg.aspx?page=Bills</a>			
<b>Mississippi</b> Ends 4/4/23	Access all bills: <a href="http://www.legislature.ms.gov/">http://www.legislature.ms.gov/</a>			
✓	HB 383	R	Would extend the date of the repealers on those provisions that establish a temporarily reduced rate for the levy and assessment of severance taxes on the initial oil and natural gas produced from certain horizontally drilled wells and horizontally drilled recompletion wells	Enacted 3/13/23; Multiple eff. dates
X	HB 742	R	Provides that mineral estates separated from the surface estate shall revert to the owner of the surface estate after ten years of nonproduction	Died in committee
X	HB 821	R	Provides for instances where a notary public may charge for services and sets forth requirements for the commission of a notary public	Passed House; Died in Senate

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X	HB 1290	R	Would "create the orphaned well cryptocurrency mining partnership program for the purpose of authorizing cryptocurrency miners to assume liability of plugging, remediating, or reclaiming orphaned wells, in return for temporary control of the energy from the well" and provides for regulation and administration of the program	Died in committee
	SB 2312	R	Establishes a competitive bidding process with right of first refusal for the lease or sale of county-owned property	Passed both
X	SB 2435	R	Creates the Orphaned Well Partnership Program and provided related provisions and requirements under the program	Died in committee
X	SB 2697	R	Would extend the repealers on those provisions that establish a reduced rate for the levy and assessment of severance taxes on the initial oil and natural gas produced from certain horizontally drilled wells and horizontally drilled recompletion wells	Passed Senate; Died in House
<b>Missouri</b> Ends 5/30/23				
Access all bills: <a href="https://www.house.mo.gov/LegislationSP.aspx">https://www.house.mo.gov/LegislationSP.aspx</a>				
<b>Montana</b> Ends 4/25/23				
Access all bills: <a href="http://laws.leg.mt.gov/legprd/law0203w\$.startup?P_SESS=20231">http://laws.leg.mt.gov/legprd/law0203w\$.startup?P_SESS=20231</a>				
✓	HB 212	R	Increases the tax exemption for business equipment.	Enacted 3/13/23; Multiple eff. dates
	HB 289	R	Would revise notice requirements for an owner's share of costs to develop an oil or gas well	Passed House; to Senate
	HB 431	D	Relating to carbon emissions, the bill provides "for limitations on certain carbon emissions" and provides for related rulemaking authority	In committee
	HB 469	R	Would revise taxation of horizontally recompleted wells	In committee
	HB 485	R	Would revise tax rates for stripper oil production	In committee
	HB 634	D	Revises existing law related to oil and gas leases, specifically "clarifying that the lessee pays the costs of production from the working interest; [and] requiring the state to share the expense of transporting the oil to the nearest market based on the state's proportional share of the royalty interest"	In committee
	SB 22	D	Provides an independent contractor analysis and provides that a person who does not have an independent contractor exemption certificate but is required to have one is conclusively presumed to be an employee. The bill also amends the independent contractor penalty provision	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 256	R	Would prohibit ownership of private property within the state by citizens of enemy states	In committee
X	SB 271	R	Would revise court costs related to natural resources	Died in committee

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	SB 287	R	Regarding eminent domain and regulatory takings, amends existing law to include additional types of property that may exist regarding a regulatory taking. The additions would include mineral rights, real property and fixtures, and water rights, among others	In committee
	SB 330	R	Would require county clerks to accept electronic notarizations	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 418	R	Would provide “preference to lessees of state trust land who provide public access across private land”	In committee
	SB 426	R	Would revise the definition of natural gas	Passed Senate; to House
<b>Nebraska</b> Ends 4/18/24	Access all bills: <a href="https://nebraskalegislature.gov/bills/">https://nebraskalegislature.gov/bills/</a> <i>Note: Nebraska is a non-party affiliation state legislature</i>			
	LB 94	-	Would adopt the Uniform Commercial Code	In committee
	LB 395	-	Would change the compensation of members of the Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission	In committee
<b>Nevada</b> Ends 6/1/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/82nd2023/">https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/82nd2023/</a>			
	SB 145	D	Relating to employee misclassification, authorizing the Labor Commissioner to use certain money to pay for additional staff for the Office of the Labor Commissioner; revising provisions relating to the communication between offices of certain state agencies of information relating to employee misclassification; revising the amount of the administrative penalty that may be imposed for certain conduct relating to employee misclassification; eliminating the Task Force on Employee Misclassification	In committee
<b>New Jersey</b> Ends 1/9/24	Access all bills: <a href="https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/">https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/</a>			
<b>New Mexico</b> Ends 3/18/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://www.nmlegis.gov/Legislation/BillFinder/Number">https://www.nmlegis.gov/Legislation/BillFinder/Number</a>			
	HB 26	D	Reinstates certain provisions regarding notice of abandoned property lists, requiring the Taxation and Revenue Department (TRD) to publish a notice of abandoned property in each county of the last known address of a person on the notice, or the last known address of that person’s principal place of business, and clarifies that advertisements must be likely to attract the owner, not just the general public”	Passed House; to Senate; passed Senate committee
	HB 32	D	Proposes a personal income tax credit of 40 percent of the cost of equipment and installation for an energy storage system installed for taxable years up to January 1, 2028.	Passed committee



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			The credit is for installation of an energy storage system on the claimant’s residential, agricultural, or commercial property	
	HB 42/ SB 5	D	Creating the statewide public health and climate program; creating the public health and climate resiliency fund; providing appropriations	Both passed committee
	HB 45	D	Would amend the Natural Heritage Conservation Act to provide for land acquisition for conservation purposes	In committee
	HB 67	D	Adds “energy storage facilities” to “the authority granted municipalities and counties to negotiate an industrial revenue bond (IRB). This parallels the authority granted these jurisdictions to negotiate an IRB for solar and wind production projects and for renewable energy transmission facilities. The bill also provides a gross receipts tax deduction for sales to governments of energy storage equipment”	Passed committee
	HB 89	R	Establishes the Taxpayer Dividend Income Tax Rebate Fund and provides that the net receipts for that fiscal year of the money received by the state pursuant to the federal Mineral Leasing Act exceed the annual average amount, the excess shall be distributed to the taxpayer dividend income tax rebate fund	In committee
	HB 95	D	Provides that the state commissioner of public lands establish a renewable energy office	Passed both
	HB 96	R	Would amend the definition of “renewable energy resources” under existing law to include natural gas generated from combined cycle technology	In committee; tabled as of 1/27/23
	HB 121	D	To provide that a water-use lease shall not take effect until after an application for an expedited temporary lease has been approved by the Office of the State Engineer and after notice and hearing opportunities have taken place	Passed committee
	HB 188	D	Would create an Economic Transition Division, which “would be tasked with providing programmatic, funding, administrative, and logistical support for communities and workers in economic transition, and would “be targeted to aid disproportionately impacted communities and workers transitioning from natural resource extraction industries”	Passed committee
	HB 250	R	Amends existing law regarding corrections to real property recordings. The bill adds a definition of “landman” regarding scrivener’s errors in affidavits and changes the parties who may execute a scrivener’s error affidavit to add a landman. The bill also amends the conditions under which a licensed attorney can execute the affidavit	Passed House; to Senate
	HB 276	D	Would amend the Oil and Gas Act in “authorizing the oil conservation division of the energy, minerals and natural resources department to require proof of [environmental] insurance [coverage] and fiscal solvency when submitting a permit application; [and] providing that a permit application may be denied based on poor compliance history”	In committee; Tabled 2/7/23
	HB 322	R	Would create a flat corporate tax rate	Passed committee

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	HB 350	R	Would “establish an ‘oil and gas emission reduction corporate income tax credit.’ A taxpayer that, on or after January 1, 2023, installs a purchased or leased vapor recovery unit that reduces emissions from oil and gas activity may apply for, and the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department (TRD) may allow, a credit against the taxpayer’s tax liability imposed pursuant to the Corporate Income and Franchise Tax Act”	Passed committee
	HB 365	D	Would “create a new Center for Excellence at the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology focused on developing and promoting innovation in Geothermal Resources” and provides appropriations	Passed House; to Senate; Passed Senate committee
	HB 439	R	Provides “an exception to the destination-based sourcing rules for reporting gross receipts tax (GRT) under Section 7-1-14 NMSA 1978 for oil and gas production services performed in New Mexico”	Died in committee
	HB 450	D	Would add a new section to the Oil and Gas Severance Tax Act top provide for an oil and gas severance tax exemption for re-stimulation wells	In committee
	SB 8	D	Regarding geothermal resources, the bill would add geothermal resources to the center of excellence at the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology; amends the duties of the Energy Conservation and Management Division of the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department; Creates the geothermal resources development fund; authorizes grants; creates the geothermal resources revolving loan fund; authorizes loans; and make related appropriations	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 26	D	Would provide for the distribution of certain excess oil and gas tax revenues and federal mineral leasing act payments to the severance tax permanent fund	Passed both
	SB 38	R	A “comprehensive, sweeping tax reform bill that eliminates most gross receipts tax (GRT) exemptions, deductions, and credits, significantly broadening the gross receipts tax base, lowers the GRT rates for the state but allows local governments to retain all local option GRT and compensating tax rates and changes the rates and brackets for personal and corporate income taxes. The bill repeals a number of tax acts, including the insurance premium tax and the motor vehicle excise tax, instead taxing these items through the GRT. In short, it turns the state’s current hybrid of a pure GRT and a conventional sales tax into a true GRT or turnover tax”	In committee
	SB 53	D	Regarding nuclear waste storage within the state, would expand the scope of an existing task force to negotiate with the federal government over disposal facilities. It would also prohibit the disposal of nuclear waste in New Mexico without the state’s consent	Passed Senate; to House; Passed House committee
	SB 56	D	“Amends Section 62-13-13.1 NMSA 1978 to remove the cap on the size of a distributed energy facility, facilities that generate electricity at or near where it will be used, such as residential solar panels. The cap is currently set at 120	Passed Senate; to House

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			percent of the average annual consumption of electricity at the host site”	
	SB 74	D	Would amend “the Public Utility Act, to include a definition for ‘clean energy’ as only energy generated from solar heat, solar light, wind, geothermal reservoirs, biomass, or hydropower. SB74 would prevent the Public Regulation Commission (PRC) from approving any certificates of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) as required in Section 62-13-2 NMSA 1978 and would also prevent PRC from approving any integrated resource plans (IRP) as required in Section 17.7.3.8 NMAC for facilities that do not produce ‘clean energy’ as defined by the bill”	Passed committee
	SB 77	D	Provides for the installation of solar cells on residential homes for new residential construction. The introduced version, prior to amendment, would have required, rather than offered in the amended version, “all new residential construction after July 1, 2023, to have photovoltaic systems installed that are designed to supply usable solar power to residences and be tied to the grid, a hybrid grid, or off-grid system”	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 112/ HB 91	D	Would amend existing law “to add language permitting the natural resources trustee to pursue natural resource damage claims related to the release of contaminants under state law,” which includes the Air Quality Control Act, the Hazardous Waste Act, and the Water Quality Act	In committee
	SB 147	D	A Taxation and Revenue Department (TRD) agency bill that makes several small but significant administrative changes to the tax code	Passed both
	SB 164	D	Regarding state lands, the bill would increase the royalty rate on future oil and gas development leases on state trust lands from maximum 20% to 25%. “The new lease form would also include a new section requiring royalty payments for all wasted oil or gas, including all gas vented or flared, spilled, released without controls, stolen, or lost in any other way.” The vented or flared royalty rate, however, would not apply to gas that is vented or flared out of necessity, such as to address safety concerns	Passed committee
	SB 165	D	Local Choice Energy Act. Authorizing customers of a public utility or cooperative to aggregate their electric loads in their local community as a local choice energy provider; providing powers and duties of local choice energy providers; requiring rulemaking; providing a penalty	Passed committee
	SB 173	D	Would “create deductions and tax credits to assist in developing the technology to generate electricity from deep geothermal formations”	In committee
	SB 246	D	Makes numerous amendments to existing notarial acts law	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 338	R	Governing tax assessment affidavits to be filed for real property transfers, the bill “requires that an affidavit be filed with the county assessor for a deed transferring all real property; including nonresidential property. It also amends Subsection D to state that an affidavit is not required for: A deed, patent or contract for sale or transfer of real property	Passed committee

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			in which the property was valued pursuant to Section 7-36-20 NMSA 1978 in the prior tax year; or an instrument delivered to convey solely the mineral or subsurface estate of real property”	
	SB 418	D	Would amend the Oil and Gas Act, including “organizing and amending definitions; adding members to the oil conservation commission; changing the qualifications of the director of the oil conservation division of the energy, minerals and natural resources department; authorizing the oil conservation division to promulgate rules to protect the environment and to promote health, safety and the involvement of environmental justice communities; changing the name of the ‘state petroleum engineer’ to the ‘state oil conservation director’; authorizing the oil conservation division to establish minimum setbacks for the siting of new wells; changing the requirements for financial assurance; removing venue requirement for actions to compensate for costs of oil and gas well remediation; [and] removing the limit on civil penalties; establishing the environmental justice advisory council.” According to the Fiscal Note Bill Summary, SB 418 “makes sweeping changes to the existing Oil and Gas Act Sections 70-2-1 through 70-2-39 NMSA 1978. That act is amended to require the oil conservation division’s protection of health and the environment; promotion of the public interest, health, safety, general welfare; and the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of the public, including environmental justice communities”	Passed committee
	SB 439	R	Would “require the State Game Commission to get approval from the Legislature for the purchase of any land appraised at over \$1 million”	Passed committee
	SB 443	R	Provides “for an exclusion to the Oil and Gas Severance Tax for oil and natural gas severed from a stripper well and sold from a production compliance project during the first 10 years of production following the completion of the project, or until the date the total amount of tax that would have been imposed but for this exemption equals the cost of the production compliance project, whichever occurs first” and defines “production compliance project” and its applicability	In committee
<b>New York</b> Ends 1/2/25	Access all bills: <a href="http://public.leginfo.state.ny.us/navigate.cgi">http://public.leginfo.state.ny.us/navigate.cgi</a>			
<b>North Carolina</b> Ends 6/30/24	Access all bills: <a href="https://www.ncleg.gov/">https://www.ncleg.gov/</a>			
	HB 130	R	Would forbid localities from adopting an ordinance that prohibits or has the effect of prohibiting “connection, reconnection, modification, or expansion of an energy service based upon the type or source of energy to be	In committee

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			delivered to an individual or any other person as the end-user of the energy service"	
<b>North Dakota</b> Ends 4/28/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://www.ndlegis.gov/assembly/68-2023/regular">https://www.ndlegis.gov/assembly/68-2023/regular</a>			
	HB 1054	R	Updates notary commission law regarding applications and renewals by notaries public	Passed both; to Gov.
	HB 1062	R	Would amend existing law relating to regulation of oil and gas wells, service requirements, modernization of the notice requirement, updating position titles, clarification for mortgage insurance requirements, an exemption for specialized mill equipment, and flare mitigation	Passed both; to Gov.
	HB 1074	R	Provides for public hearings related to water permits	Passed both; to Gov.
	HB 1083	R	Provides for remote notarial acts	Passed both
	HB 1272	R	Would amend existing law relating to the jurisdiction of the industrial commission and reviewing the enhanced oil recovery potential status of a well and rights of surface owners	Passed House; to Senate
	HB 1286	R	House engrossed/passed version will repeal the triggered 6% oil extraction tax rate that would be imposed during a time of sustained high oil prices for wells located outside the exterior boundaries of a reservation. Wells located within the exterior boundaries of a reservation, on trust properties outside reservation boundaries, or straddle wells located on reservation trust land may still be subject to the triggered 6% oil extraction tax rate	Passed House; to Senate
	HB 1427	R	Would create an oil extraction tax exemption on production from a restimulation well as provided	Passed House; to Senate
	HB 1510	R	Would amend existing law "relating to legal fees and costs a surface owner or mineral developer may be awarded in cases relating to the development of minerals"	Passed House; to Senate
	HB 1520/ SB 2374	R	Updates existing law by providing requirements for royalty payment information and statements, ownership interest information statements, updated provisions related to the obligation to pay royalties, Inspection of production and royalty payment records, and the resolution of spacing unit ownership interest disputes	In committee
	HCR 3006	R	Concurrent resolution urges Congress to support policies to increase oil refining capacity in the United States	Passed House; to Senate
<b>X</b>	HCR 3028	D	Concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to consider studying the environmental impacts of oil, hydraulic fracturing sand, and hydraulic fracturing wastewater spills on water quality, vegetation, soil, and all species of domestic and wild animals, including insects, along State Highways 22, 23, and 37 within the exterior boundaries of the Fort Berthold Reservation	Failed in House 3/10/23
<b>X</b>	HCR 3029	D	A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to consider studying whether the Fort Berthold Reservation should have stand-alone ambient	Failed in House 3/10/23

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			air quality monitors to track and mitigate air and water pollution that may result from oil and gas development	
	SB 2009	R	Would establish a post-production royalty oversight program as detailed	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 2057	R	Relates to changes made to the delivery of permit hearing notices	Passed both; to Gov.
	SB 2058	R	Relates to the jurisdiction of commission and adding wellhead and equipment located at or on oil or gas well sites	Passed both; to Gov.
	SB 2059	R	Relates to the balance in the abandoned oil and gas well plugging and site reclamation fund	Passed both; to Gov.
	SB 2089	R	Would create the Clean Natural Gas Capture and Emissions Reduction Program and provides governing provisions and appropriations	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 2162	R	Provides for oil and gas gross production tax allocations to counties	Passed both
	SB 2194	R	Would create a post-production royalty oversight program	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 2197	R	Would create the Re-energize North Dakota scholarship which provides that "The state board of higher education may award scholarships for the purpose of recruiting and retraining individuals to work in the North Dakota oil and gas industry"	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 2228	R	Would amend existing law relating to permit requirements for pore space storage and nonconsenting pore space owners	In committee
	SB 2311	R	Would amend existing law regarding well or pipeline construction liens and construction liens	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 2317	R	Would amend existing law regarding provisions related to storage in an oil and gas reservoir, saline reservoir or aquifer, and storage in a salt cavern	In committee
	SB 2374	D	Would create a postproduction royalty oversight program as detailed	Passed Senate; to House
<b>Ohio</b> Ends 12/31/24	Access all bills: <a href="https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/">https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/</a>			
✓	HB 507	R	The bill requires, rather than authorizes, every state agency to lease agency-owned or controlled resources for development until the date on which the nomination procedure rules are adopted by the Commission. The state agency must enter the lease in good faith. The bill specifies the person seeking to lease the resources must submit proof of both of the following to the state agency: 1. Insurance and financial assurance; and 2. Registration with the Division of Oil and Gas Resources." The bill "also includes, as 'green energy,' energy generated by using natural gas as a resource."	Enacted 1/6/23; Eff. 4/7/23
	SB 46	R	Makes various amendments to existing law regarding the electronic execution of wills and other documents and provides additional requirements regarding notaries public	In committee

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✓	HB 203/ SB 131	R	Would require an occupational licensing authority to issue a license or government certification to an applicant who holds a license, government certification, or private certification or has satisfactory work experience in another state under provided circumstances	Passed House only (HB 203); SB 131 enacted 1/2/23; Multiple eff. dates
<b>Oklahoma</b> Ends 5/25/24 Access all bills: <a href="http://www.oklegislature.gov/">http://www.oklegislature.gov/</a>				
	HB 2191	R	Would limit the use of eminent domain. Specifically, the committee substitute version provides, “that government authorities may not take or damage private property unless it is necessary for public use and the property owner is justly compensated. Economic development, including an increase in tax base, tax revenues, employment, and general economic health do not constitute public use. The measure also requires courts to construe eminent domain statutes in favor of the property owner and against the condemning authority”	In committee
	HB 2695	R	Would end the assessment of franchise tax and any associated reporting beginning in tax year 2024	Passed House; to Senate
	SB 18	R	Would expand “the Oil and Gas Produced Water and Waste Recycling and Reuse Act to include hydrogen sulfide and carbon oxides emissions produced as a byproduct of natural gas production. The act also exempts a person from liability in tort for consequences or subsequent use of recycled water or treated constituents if that person captures or sequesters hydrogen sulfides and carbon oxides in connection with natural gas production for the purpose of protecting the environment”	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 200	R	Would require “any state environmental agency, the Corporation Commission, and Department of Environmental Quality, that is required to comply with the federal Safe Drinking Water Act to evaluate the regulatory and statutory framework that governs the agency and identify and report any areas in which modifications may be needed to the Secretary of Energy and Environment to provide for the development of Underground Injection Control Class VI wells. Agencies are directed to consult with the Secretary and work in conjunction with the Office of Energy and Environment to ensure timely analysis. Findings from the report shall be submitted in a report to the Governor, Secretary of Energy and Environment, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House no later than August 1, 2023”	Passed Senate
	SB 205	R	Creates the State Strategic Petroleum Reserve and provides for how funds are allocated, reserve amounts, and release procedures	In committee
	SB 210	R	“Exempts newly constructed establishments primarily engaged in the refining of crude petroleum into refined petroleum from the corporate income tax for the first 5 years of service beginning in tax year 2024 and ending in tax year 2034. Such establishments must employ at least	Passed Senate

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			100 FTE and pay wages that equal or exceed wage requirements established in the Oklahoma Quality Jobs Program Act. Eligibility shall be determined by the Oklahoma Tax Commission”	
	SB 298	R	Relates to transfer-on-death deeds and amends existing law relating to “acceptance of property; clarifying ability of grantee beneficiary to accept certain property; [and] clarifying effect of beneficiary affidavit executed prior to certain date”	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 443	R	Establishes the Orphaned Well Bitcoin Mining Partnership Program under the Corporation Commission and provides the related provisions to implement the program as detailed	In committee
	SB 514	R	Modifies the membership of the Oklahoma Energy Resources Board	In committee
	SB 556	R	Requires notary officers to maintain records pertaining to witnessing the signature as well as attesting that the person signing is who he or she claims to be. Each record shall include a statement of the notarial act performed, the date on which it occurred, the name of the person appearing before the notarial officer, and a statement of the means by which the notary made the required determination of the identity of the person. Any officer who fails to make a good faith effort to identify the person signing the document shall be subject to a maximum fine of \$1,000.00 and/or a term of imprisonment not to exceed 10 days	Passed Senate; to House
	SB 852	R	Provides that “the Corporation Commission, not the Oklahoma Conservation Commission, shall oversee the provisions of the Oklahoma Carbon Sequestration Enhancement Act”	Passed Senate; to House
<b>Pennsylvania</b> Ends 11/30/24	Access all bills: <a href="https://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/home/bills/index.cfm">https://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/home/bills/index.cfm</a>			
	HB 55	R	Would “require the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to establish a program to lease the subsurface rights under state lands for oil and gas development”	In committee
✓	SR 9	R	Urges the President of the United States to restart and expedite the completion of the Keystone XL pipeline	Enacted
<b>South Carolina</b> Ends 6/30/24	Access all bills: <a href="https://www.scstatehouse.gov/legislation.php">https://www.scstatehouse.gov/legislation.php</a>			
<b>South Dakota</b> Ends 3/27/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bills/64">https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bills/64</a>			



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	HB 1137	R	The purpose is to “reduce certain gross receipts tax rates and a use tax rate, and to repeal a conditional reduction of certain gross receipts tax rates”	Passed both; to Gov.
	HB 1188	R	Provides “for property owner inclusion in the pipeline siting application and condemnation process	In committee
	HB 1224	R	Regarding eminent domain by a pipeline company, the bill amends existing law to require “written consent of at least ninety percent of the landowners whose property may be subject to an easement for the proposed pipeline, and shall file a verified statement of the required landowner consent with the application for a permit”	In committee
<b>Tennessee</b> Ends 4/26/24	Access all bills: <a href="http://www.capitol.tn.gov/">http://www.capitol.tn.gov/</a>			
✓	SB 58	R	Extends the termination date of the Tennessee Board of Water Quality, Oil, and Gas to June 30, 2028. Otherwise, under the Tennessee Governmental Entity Review Law, the board would terminate on June 30, 2023	Enacted 3/6/23
<b>Texas</b> Ends 5/29/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://capitol.texas.gov/">https://capitol.texas.gov/</a>			
	HB 33	R	Would prevent the implementation of any federal regulations on oil or gas production in Texas	In committee
	HB 456	R	Would exempt the value of royalty interests owned by charitable organizations from ad valorem taxation of real property	Passed committee
	HB 1296	D	Relates to the recusal of a member of the Railroad Commission of Texas in certain matters	In committee
	HB 1302	R	Relates to inspections and examinations by the Railroad Commission of Texas of certain sites and facilities conducted using unmanned aircraft	In committee
	HB 1336/ SB 785	R	Relating to the ownership by a landowner of the geothermal energy and associated resources below the surface of the landowner's land	In committee
	HB 1459	D	Relates to the establishment by the Railroad Commission of Texas of a policy to eliminate the routine flaring of natural gas from wells or other facilities regulated by the commission	In committee
	HB 1777	R	Relating to the regulation by the Railroad Commission of Texas of closed-loop geothermal injection wells	In committee
	HB 3244	R	Relating to the operation of certain infrastructure during a weather emergency; authorizing administrative penalties	Filed
	SB 470	R	Would limit federal regulation of oil and gas operations within the state	In committee
	SB 501	R	Relates to a cause of action for the bad faith washout of an overriding royalty interest in an oil and gas lease	In committee
	SB 502	R	Relates to the treatment, recycling for beneficial use, or disposal of drill cuttings	In committee

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AAPL sponsored bill	SB 604/ HB 1915 (identical)	R	Protects landmen by expanding the definition of landwork to include all sources of energy, including renewables, to protect against Unauthorized Practice of Law violations; Regarding independent contractor status, updates the Occupations Code to include the expanded definition of landwork in the protective language to ensure the full scope and breadth of work performed by independent contractor landmen is protected; and provides for Landman Carve Out for Land Brokers as to the Franchise/Margin Tax by updating the Tax Code to ensure the provision fully captures the complete definition of those areas in which Texas landmen work regarding the Franchise Tax (Determination of Total Revenue From Entire Business) carveout for landmen	SB 604 filed 1/25/23; HB 1915 filed 2/3/23
	SB 678	D	Relates "to phasing out the tax reduction for certain high-cost gas"	In committee
	SB 1017/ HB 2374	R	Would protect energy choice by preventing political subdivisions from adopting or enforcing ordinances, orders, regulations, or similar measures which would limit access to specific fuel sources or prohibit the sale of engines based on their fuel source	In committee
	SB 1047	R	Provides for funding and activities of the Texas Produced Water Consortium	In committee
	SB 1061	R	Amends existing law "relating to the computation of and total revenue exemption for the franchise tax"	In committee
<b>Utah</b> Ends 3/3/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://le.utah.gov/DynaBill/BillList?session=2022GS">https://le.utah.gov/DynaBill/BillList?session=2022GS</a>			
	HB 273	R	This state trust lands administration amendments bill "modifies the administration of state trust lands." Specifically, the bill "defines terms; creates rulemaking authority for the sale, exchange, lease, or other disposition or conveyance of trust lands; adds criteria for the sale, lease, exchange, or other disposition of trust lands; and makes technical changes"	In committee
	HB 321	R	This mineral lease amendments bill "modifies mineral lease application procedures." Specifically, this bill "introduces an online option for the disclosure of a mineral lease application; and modifies the deadline for disclosing an application"	Passed both; to Gov.
	HB 351	R	Regarding county recorders, the bill modifies provisions related to county recorders." Specifically, the bill "defines terms; establishes the County Recorder Oversight Board for the purpose of: establishing statewide standards and requirements for county recorders and hearing and deciding appeals from decisions of county recorders; requires a county recorder to comply with the standards and requirements established by the board; describes the membership and appointment of board members; requires the Department of Commerce to provide staff support to the board; allows the board to require certain county recorders to remit a portion of collected	Passed both; to Gov.

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			fees to offset the board's administrative expenses; requires the board to report annually to the Legislature; and makes technical changes	
	SB 107	R	Modifies provisions related to oil and gas severance tax, specifically, the bill creates the Impact Projects Restricted Account (restricted account) to fund loans and grants to local governments impacted by mineral resource development; funds the restricted account with above-trend revenue from the oil and gas severance tax; directs the Permanent Community Impact Fund Board to award loans and grants from the restricted account for infrastructure projects intended to address the impacts of mineral resource development; and provides appropriations	Passed both; to Gov.
	SB 256	R	Modifies provisions related to the deposit of severance tax revenue into state agency accounts	Passed both; to Gov.
<b>Virginia</b> Special Session through 3/31/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://viriniageneralassembly.gov/">https://viriniageneralassembly.gov/</a>			
<b>West Virginia</b> Ends 3/11/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://www.wvlegislature.gov/">https://www.wvlegislature.gov/</a>			
	HB 2021	D	Provides stable and adequate funding to the Office of Oil and Gas of the Department of Environmental Protection in order to oversee oil and gas wells' compliance with the law for the life of the wells. The bill provides the funding by requiring an annual oversight fee of \$100 for each well	In committee
	HB 2022	D	Purpose of this bill is to provide that the limit of disturbance of a well site may not be closer to an occupied building than 2,500 feet	In committee
	HB 2174	R	Purpose of this bill is to require the secretary of the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt rules relating to the standardization of leases, deeds, or contracts relating to oil and gas, consistent in format with the purpose of making the terms of these documents less confusing to the landowners	In committee
	HB 2574	R	As to the authority of the Director of the Division of Natural Resources, the purpose of this bill is to set forth limitations of entry onto private lands; clarify the process for law enforcement entry onto posted private lands; and clarify the use of surveillance cameras on or near posted private lands	In committee
	HB 2623	D	Purpose of this bill is to require lessees of West Virginia real estate who make natural resources royalty payments for in-state property to any nonresident lessor, to withhold West Virginia personal income tax on natural resources royalty payments; also provides exceptions, penalties, defines terms and grants rule-making authority	In committee

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	HB 2852	D	Would create the Orphan Well Prevention Act of 2023 and the purpose of this bill is to prevent oil and gas wells from being orphaned on surface owner's land with no responsible driller or operator with the resources to plug the well	In committee
	HB 3110	R	The purpose of this bill is to ensure that the WVDEP Office of Oil and Gas has sufficient money to inspect the oil and gas wells of the State of West Virginia in an efficacious and diligent manner that protects the people and environment of the State from degradation related to violations of the West Virginia oil and gas production laws	Passed both
	HB 3294	R	"The purpose of this bill is to balance the interests of current landowners and future landowners to ensure surface, minerals, and forest land may be developed for future economic gain by limiting use restrictions for forest carbon capture and sequestration to a maximum term of 20 years." The bill provides various taxation, reporting, agreement, and covenant provisions related to the purpose of the bill	In committee
	SB 13	R	Regarding well plugging, the bill establishes an annual oversight fee for wells producing more than 10,000 cubic feet of gas per day	In committee
	SB 60	R	Provides for the withholding of personal income tax on income from natural resources royalty payments for nonresidents	In committee
	SB 109	R	Purpose of this bill is to create the Orphan Oil and Gas Well Prevention Act and related processes and requirements; operator and prior operator requirements; plugging assurance	In committee
✓	SB 161	R	Amends the existing natural resources code property management section to provide that the division shall have the authority, with the approval in writing of the Secretary of the Department of Commerce, to sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of property that is under the jurisdiction and control of the director. The director may convey property in exchange for money, security or property, both real and personal, and any interest in such property, including lands and waters, which he or she deems suitable for the purposes of the division	Enacted 1/24/23; Eff. immediately
✓	SB 162	R	Would authorize the director of the Division of Natural Resources to lease state-owned pore spaces underlying state forests, natural and scenic areas, and management areas, and other lands under the jurisdiction and control of the director for carbon sequestration; prohibiting the leasing of pore spaces underlying state parks; establishing competitive bidding process; providing for procedures and requirements; and authorizing the director to directly award a pore space under certain circumstances when necessary for an economic development project	Enacted 1/24/23; Eff. immediately
	SB 183	R	Natural Resources Anti-Commandeering Act with the purpose to protect employees of the State of West Virginia and its political subdivisions from being commandeered by a federal agency or other agent to enforce federal	In committee

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			regulations and other actions related to extractive resources or related downstream industries, which do not exist in state law	
	SB 448/ HB 3110	R	“The purpose of this bill is to ensure that the WVDEP Office of Oil and Gas has sufficient money to inspect the oil and gas wells of the State of West Virginia in an efficacious and diligent manner that protects the people and environment of the State from degradation related to violations of the West Virginia oil and gas production laws”	In committee
	SB 595	R	Provides multiple provisions including taxation related to carbon offset agreements and also provides for certain forest carbon capture and sequestration covenants and restrictions that are void and unenforceable	In committee
	SB 611/ HB 3335	R	Regarding penalties for nonpayment of royalties under the terms of oil and natural gas leases during production from conventional vertical wells, “The purpose of this bill is to provide for enhanced damages for nonpayment of royalties due from oil, natural gas, or natural gas liquids production under the terms of a lease or other agreement”	In committee
	SB 739	R	Providing for a declaration of a moratorium for 60 days on entering into contracts or agreements selling, leasing, letting, or otherwise transferring property rights relating to any carbon storage, carbon capture, carbon sequestration, or similar agreements, in order to give the Legislature time to deliberate and pass laws as may be determined to be necessary to prevent or mitigate substantial economic harm to West Virginia citizens	Passed both
<b>Wisconsin</b> Ends 1/2/25	Access all bills: <a href="https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2021">https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2021</a>			
<b>Wyoming</b> Ends 3/10/23	Access all bills: <a href="https://www.wyoleg.gov/Legislation/search">https://www.wyoleg.gov/Legislation/search</a>			
✓	HB 20	R	Relating to land exchange notice and relating to state lands; “requiring notice and opportunity to comment before completing an exchange; and specifying applicability”	Enacted 2/21/23; Eff. immediately
✓	HB 22	R	Relating to the state land lease deficiencies cure process, “providing for notification of noncompliance in a state land lease renewal; providing opportunities for compliance; [and] conforming time frames for lessee compliance”	Enacted 3/9/23; Eff. 7/1/23
X	HB 106	R	Would reimpose a moratorium on the exercise of the power of condemnation for wind energy collector systems for a period of time as amended	Vetoed by Gov.
	HB 114	R	Relating to state lands, the bill revises “provisions related to improvements made by a lessee of state lands; extending the maximum length of certain leases of state lands; authorizing leases for residential purposes; [and] specifying that leases are required to comply with minimum state standards”	In committee

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	HB 116	R	Amends existing law to provide for provisions prohibiting foreign property ownership in Wyoming	In committee
	HB 131	R	Relating to state lands, the bill “establish[es] a legislative task force on state lands and investments; specifying membership, powers and duties of the task force; specifying termination of the task force; requiring reports; [and] providing appropriations”	In committee
	HB 163	R	Establishes severance tax refunds for specified oil, natural gas and coal severance taxes based on increased federal mineral royalty (FMR) rates	In committee
✓	HB 171	R	Relating to state lands, the bill provides for 30-day notice to be given before the lease of school lands; allowing county residents to match the highest bid for leases of school lands as specified; allowing the board of land commissioners to lease the school land to the highest bidder as specified; and providing for related provisions	Enacted 3/11/23; Eff. multiple dates
X	HB 267	R	Provides for “granting the state of Wyoming the right of first refusal for real property conveyances to the United States and federal agencies; specifying conditions for the purchase of property by exercising the right of first refusal; specifying duties for property owners and the board of land commissioners; providing a continuous appropriation; providing definitions; [and] making conforming amendments”	Died in committee
X	SF 81	R	Relating to ad valorem taxation of mineral production; clarifying the calculation of the payment amount for mineral production; clarifying distribution of monthly ad valorem payments received by the county treasurer. Regarding monthly payment of ad valorem tax on gross product of mineral production, the tax year shall be the calendar year when mineral production occurs; also updates the applicable calculation of the mill levy rate	Died in committee
	SF 107	R	Relating to state lands, the bill “provid[es] for the acquisition, exchange or sale of state trust lands as specified; [and] designating criteria for the sale and exchange of state trust lands” and creates a definition of “isolated parcel” and provides for the disposal of such parcels that are 80 acres or less.	Passed Senate; to House
✓	SF 128	R	Relating to state lands, the bill would remove the requirement that state and federal lands be equal in size when exchanged by the state and the federal government; and requires that federal and state land exchanges be subject to the orders, rules and regulations related to the exchange of lands	Enacted 2/27/23; Eff. 7/1/23
✓	SF 154	R	Supports “efforts to maintain and expand the oil and gas industry in Wyoming through constructing and facilitating the construction of oil and gas refineries and the expansion of existing oil and gas refineries in Wyoming.” The bill provides for revenue bonds to finance construction or expansion of oil and gas refineries in Wyoming	Enacted 3/2/23; Eff. immediately
X	SF 156	R	Regarding oil and gas forced pooling/drilling units, the bill specifies “that oil and gas operators must negotiate with mineral owners in good faith”	Died in committee

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	H.R. 1	R	Lower Energy Costs Act. Broad based package of energy and infrastructure measures that “focuses on two main priorities: increasing the production and export of American energy and reducing the regulatory burdens that make it harder to build American infrastructure and grow our economy. Policies that will be included in the energy package can be broken down into several broad categories: Increasing American Energy Production; Increasing the Production and Processing of Critical Minerals; Streamlining Energy Infrastructure and Exports; Broad Permitting Reform; and Government Accountability”	In committee; tentatively scheduled for Rules Committee on 3/27/23
	H.R. 21	R	Strategic Production Response Act. Would provide for the development of a plan to increase oil and gas production under oil and gas leases of Federal lands under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Secretary of Defense in conjunction with a drawdown of petroleum reserves from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve	In committee
	H.R. 22/ S. 9	R	Protecting America's Strategic Petroleum Reserve from China Act. Prohibits the sale and export of crude oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) to China. Specifically, the bill prohibits the Department of Energy (DOE) from selling petroleum products (e.g., crude oil) from the SPR to any entity that is under the ownership, control, or influence of the Chinese Communist Party. Further, DOE must require as a condition of any sale of crude oil from the SPR that the oil not be exported to China	H.R. 22 passed House 1/12/23; to Senate
	H.R. 23	R	Family and Small Business Taxpayer Protection Act. Would defund the Biden Administration’s plan to hire 87,000 new IRS agents enacted under the 2022 Inflation Reduction Act and block efforts to drastically increase audits on middle class families while preserving funding for customer service and IT modernization	Passed House; to Senate
	H.R. 98	R	Federal Land Freedom Act. Would empower states to control the development and production of all forms of energy on all available federal land within their state boundaries. It would also cut red tape that hinders a state’s ability to develop energy resources on federal land	In committee
	H.R. 99	R	Less Imprecision in Species Treatment Act of 2023 or the LIST Act of 2023. The bill “revises the process for removing a species from the endangered or threatened species lists”	In committee
	H.R. 150	R	Protecting American Energy Production Act. Prohibits the President from declaring a moratorium on the use of hydraulic fracturing unless Congress authorizes the moratorium. The bill also expresses the sense of Congress that states should maintain primacy for the regulation of	In committee

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			hydraulic fracturing for oil and natural gas production on state and private lands	
	H.R. 178	D	Public Land Renewable Energy Development Act of 2023. To promote the development of renewable energy on public lands.	In committee
	H.R. 248	R	Promoting Local Management of the Lesser Prairie Chicken Act. Would “amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to exclude certain populations of the lesser prairie chicken from the authority of such Act” to remove the species from the lists of threatened species and endangered species in Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Colorado, or New Mexico	In committee
	H.R. 356	R	Would require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a minimum number of oil and gas lease sales in certain areas, to prevent delays in oil and gas leasing	In committee
	H.R. 484	R	Natural Gas Tax Repeal Act. Would repeal the new section added to the Clean Air Act under last year’s Inflation Reduction Act relating to “the methane emissions and waste reduction incentive program for petroleum and natural gas systems” that imposed a methane tax/fee	In committee
	H.R. 518	R	Endangered Species Transparency and Reasonableness Act of 2023. Would “amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to require publication on the internet of the basis for determinations that species are endangered species or threatened species”	In committee
	H.R. 647	R	Would repeal restrictions on the export and import of natural gas	In committee
	H.R. 781	R	Guaranteeing Independent Growth Act or the GIG Act. Provides for a favorable independent contractor test utilized under the Trump administration that sets a two “core” factor test: the nature and degree of the individual’s control over the work and the individual’s opportunity for profit or loss	In committee
	H.R. 923	R	Protecting Our Wealth of Energy Resources Act of 2023. To prohibit the President from issuing moratoria on leasing and permitting energy and minerals on certain Federal land	In committee
	H.R. 956	R	No Drilling in the North Atlantic Act of 2023. Would “prohibit oil and gas exploration, development, and production in the North Atlantic Planning Area of the Outer Continental Shelf”	In committee
	H.R. 1121	R	Would prohibit any federal executive moratorium on hydraulic fracturing and provides that states have authority over such decisions	In committee
	H.R. 1141	R	Would repeal the natural gas tax made part of the 2022 Inflation Reduction Act	In committee
	H.R. 1172	D	California Clean Coast Act of 2023. Would “permanently prohibit oil and gas leasing off the coast of the State of California”	In committee
	H.R. 1335	R	Transparency, Accountability, Permitting, and Production of American Resources Act or the TAPP American Resources Act. Would “restart onshore and offshore oil, gas, and coal leasing, streamline permitting for energy	In committee



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			infrastructure, [and] ensure transparency in energy development on Federal lands”	
	H.R. 1443	D	Florida Coastal Protection Act. Would make permanent the current drilling moratorium off the coast of Florida	In committee
	H.R. 3326	D	Public Land Renewable Energy Development Act. To promote the development of renewable energy on public lands	In committee
	H.R. 9456	R	Promoting Local Management of the Lesser Prairie Chicken Act. Amends the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to exclude certain populations of the lesser prairie chicken from the authority of such Act by putting their habitats and protection under local control	In committee
	H.Con. Res. 17	R	“Expressing the sense of Congress that the Federal Government should not impose any restrictions on the export of crude oil or other petroleum products”	In committee
	H.J. Res. 30	R	Joint resolution of disapproval under the Congressional Review Act would nullify “a Department of Labor rule concerning the fiduciary duties with respect to employee benefit plans. Under the rule issued on December 1, 2022, plan fiduciaries may consider climate change and other environmental, social, and governance factors when they make investment decisions and when they exercise shareholder rights, including voting on shareholder resolutions and board nominations”	Passed both as of 3/2/23; President veto expected
	S. 11	R	Secure Auction For Energy Reserves Act of 2023, or SAFER Act of 2023. Would “amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to require the Secretary of Energy to stipulate, as a condition on the sale at auction of any petroleum products from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, that the petroleum products not be exported to certain countries, [and] to prohibit such sales to certain state-owned entities”	In committee
	S. 19	R	Fracturing Regulations are Effective in State Hands Act, or the FRESH Act. The bill would clarify that a State has the sole authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing on Federal land within the boundaries of the State	In committee
	S. 20	R	Federal Land Freedom Act of 2023. The bill serves to achieve domestic energy independence by empowering States to control the development and production of all forms of energy on all available Federal land. In short, the bill provides an avenue for state governments to lease, permit and regulate oil and gas exploration and development on federal lands located within their borders	In committee
	S. 23	R	Promoting Cross-Border Energy Infrastructure Act. The bill would eliminate a requirement that gives the president sole permit authority over cross-border crude oil, petroleum products, natural gas and electric transmission infrastructure approvals. Instead, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, an independent government agency, and Department of Energy would approve cross-border permits for petroleum and transmission lines, respectively	In committee

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	S. 31	R	Strategic Production Response (SPR) Act. Would prohibit the Secretary of Energy from tapping the SPR for reasons other than a severe energy supply interruption until the secretary of the Interior issues a plan to increase oil and gas production on federal lands and waters	In committee
	S. 64	R	Water Rights Protection Act of 2023. Would “prohibit the conditioning of any permit, lease, or other use agreement on the transfer of any water right to the United States by the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture”	In committee
	S. 67	D	Fair and Transparent Gas Prices Act of 2023. A bill to require the Federal Trade Commission to conduct a study on conduct related to oil and gas prices	In committee
	S. 282	D	Arctic Refuge Protection Act of 2023. Designates a portion of Arctic National Wildlife Refuge as wilderness and would permanently halt any new oil and gas leasing, exploration, development, and drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge on the Coastal Plain	In committee
	S. 293	R	Fair Access to Banking Act. Would “bar financial institutions from refusing or limiting services to constitutionally protected industries” such as the oil and gas industry	In committee
	S. 319	R	Protecting Our Wealth of Energy Resources Act of 2023 or the POWER Act. Would prohibit the president or his secretaries of the Interior, Agriculture or Energy from blocking energy or mineral leasing and permitting on federal lands and waters without Congressional approval	In committee
	S. 337	R	Replenishing Our American Reserves Act or the ROAR Act. Amends “the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to require that the Strategic Petroleum Reserve contain petroleum products produced or refined in the United States” and limits SPR sales to certain foreign countries	In committee
	S. 438	R	Natural Gas Export Expansion Act. Would “amend the Natural Gas Act to provide for expanded natural gas exports.” Specifically, the bill “would expedite the federal approval process for exporting liquefied natural gas (LNG) and increase free trade, particularly as European countries are rapidly seeking new sources of clean, reliable energy”	In committee
	S. 542	R/D	CCU Parity Act of 2023. Would “amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the applicable dollar amount for qualified carbon oxide which is captured and utilized for purposes of the carbon oxide sequestration credit.” Specifically, the bill “would increase the tax credit for carbon capture and utilization to match the incentives for carbon capture and sequestration for both direct air capture and the power and industrial sectors”	In committee
	S. 5124/ H.R. 9344	D	Chaco Cultural Heritage Area Protection Act. Would protect Chaco Canyon and the greater landscape surrounding the Chaco Culture National Historical Park and prevent future leasing and development of oil, gas, and minerals on federal lands that are located within a 10-mile buffer zone around the park	In committee

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	S. 5205	D/R	Abandoned Well Remediation Research and Development Act. Would amend the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to require the Secretary of Energy to establish an abandoned wells research, development, and demonstration program	In committee
	S. 5214/ H.R. 8991	D	Methane Emissions Research Act of 2022. A bill to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to conduct a measurement-based national methane research pilot study to quantify methane emissions from certain oil and gas infrastructure	In committee
	S. 5216	D	Close Big Oil Tax Loopholes Act. Aims to eliminate tax incentives for large oil companies and includes any oil and gas company with gross receipts over \$50 million, and includes new provisions to eliminate the enhanced oil recovery credit for companies with gross receipts over \$50 million, and eliminate access to the 45Q credit for all enhanced oil recovery operations	In committee
	S. 5217	D	Use it or Lose it Act. A bill to promote the diligent development of Federal oil and gas leases. Requires the Secretary of the Interior to establish development benchmarks and requirements for lease holders to hit after securing a federal oil and gas lease and implements a \$10/acre annual fee on federal oil and gas leases that don't produce oil or gas in a given year. The Secretary would be required to adjust the fee at least once every 5 years to ensure that it adequately incentivizes the diligent development of leases	In committee
	S.J. Res. 9/ H.J. Res. 29	R	Joint resolution of Congress that would prevent the lesser prairie-chicken from receiving protected status under the Endangered Species Act as finalized under a rule issued by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	In committee
				<b>TOTAL BILLS: 255</b>