HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

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Amendments proposed by House Committee on Ways and Means to Original House Bill No. 461 by Representative Bishop

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page page 1, line 2, after "reenact" and before the comma "," delete "R.S.
47:633(7)(c)(iv)(introductory paragraph)" and insert "R.S. 47:633(7)(c)(iv)"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 5, after "limitations;" and before "and" insert "to provide for the duration of 6 the exemption;"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 1, line 7, after "Section 1." delete "R.S. 47:633(7)(c)(iv)(introductory paragraph)"
9 and insert "R.S. 47:633(7)(c)(iv)"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 4

- 11 On page 2, line 1, after "oil" and before "gas" delete "and" and insert "<u>or</u>"
- 12 AMENDMENT NO. 5
- 13 On page 2, line 6, after "<u>oil</u>" and before "gas" delete "and" and insert "<u>or</u>"
- 14 AMENDMENT NO. 6
- 15 On page 2, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

"(aa) To qualify for inactive or orphan well status for purposes of this 16 exemption, an application for a two-year inactive or orphan well certification shall 17 be made to the Department of Natural Resources, before commencement of 18 19 production, during the period beginning July 31, 1994 and ending June 30, 2000, for the period beginning July 1, 2002 and ending June 30, 2006, and for the period 20 21 beginning July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2010 July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2022. Upon certification that a well is inactive or orphan, all production is shall 22 be exempt from severance tax for a period of five years as provided in this Item from 23 24 the date production begins or ninety days from the date of the application, whichever occurs first. 25

26 (bb) If the severance tax is paid at the full rate provided by this Section 27 before the Department of Natural Resources approves an application for two-year inactive or orphan well status, the operator is entitled to a credit against taxes 28 29 imposed by this Section in an amount equal to the tax paid. To receive a credit, the 30 operator must apply to the secretary of the Department of Revenue for the credit not later than the first anniversary after the date the Department of Natural Resources 31 32 certifies that the well is a two-year an inactive or orphan well for purposes of the 33 exemption authorized in this Item."