
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2026 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to Original House Bill No. 841 by Representative Geymann

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 7, after "taking;" and before "and" insert "to provide for penalties;"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 4, line 8, after "finds" and before "that" insert a comma ", " and "after notice and an
5 opportunity to be heard."

6 AMENDMENT NO. 3

7 On page 4, line 10, after "issued," delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 11 and 12
8 in their entirety and insert the following:

9 "the owner or operator shall be subject to the penalties provided for in this
10 Subsection.

11 (1) The secretary may revoke any certificate granting the owner or operator
12 expropriating authority.

13 (2)(a) Any person found to have violated this Section shall be liable to the
14 department for a civil penalty as follows:

15 (i) One thousand dollars for the first violation.

16 (ii) Two thousand dollars for the second violation.

17 (iii) Ten thousand dollars for a third or subsequent violation.

18 (b) The penalty shall be assessed by the secretary by written notice. The
19 secretary or the attorney general may bring a civil action to recover any penalties
20 assessed pursuant to this Paragraph.

21 (c) Penalties collected by the department for a violation of this Section shall
22 be deposited into the Oil and Gas Regulatory Dedicated Fund Account pursuant to
23 the provisions of R.S. 30:21.

24 (3) The department shall maintain on its website a list of persons found to
25 have violated this Section."