

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to reduce the percentage of owners required to ratify an oil and gas unit.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. That § 45-9-40 be amended to read as follows:

45-9-40. No order of the Board of Minerals and Environment providing for unit operations becomes effective unless and until the plan for unit operations prescribed by the board has been approved in writing by those persons who, under the board's order, shall be required to pay at least sixty percent of the cost of the unit operation, and also by the owners of at least sixty percent of the production or proceeds thereof that will be credited to interests which are free of cost, such as royalties, and production payments, and the board has made a finding, either in the order providing for unit operations or in a supplemental order, that the plan for unit operation has been so approved.

An Act to reduce the percentage of owners required to ratify an oil and gas unit.

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I certify that the attached Act
originated in the

HOUSE as Bill No. 1014

Chief Clerk

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Speaker of the House

Attest:

Chief Clerk

President of the Senate

Attest:

Secretary of the Senate

House Bill No. 1014

File No. _____

Chapter No. _____

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Received at this Executive Office
this _____ day of _____ ,

20____ at _____ M.

By _____
for the Governor

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The attached Act is hereby
approved this _____ day of
_____, A.D., 20____

Governor

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,
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Office of the Secretary of State

Filed _____, 20____
at _____ o'clock __ M.

Secretary of State

By _____
Asst. Secretary of State