
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 694 Session of
2019

INTRODUCED BY YAW, K. WARD, YUDICHAK, FONTANA, MARTIN, REGAN AND
BROWNE, MAY 31, 2019

REFERRED TO ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, MAY 31, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in development, further providing for well permits.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Section 3211 of Title 58 of the Pennsylvania
6 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:
7 § 3211. Well permits.

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9 (n) Cross unit drilling.--

10 (1) If an operator has the right to drill an oil or gas
11 well on separate leases or units, the operator may drill and
12 produce a well that traverses, by horizontal drilling, more
13 than one lease or unit, if:

14 (i) the operator reasonably allocates production
15 from the well among the leases or units related to each
16 lessor's acreage in the unit; and

17 (ii) the traversing well is not expressly prohibited
18 by the terms of a lease.

1 (2) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to
2 authorize an operator to drill an oil or gas well that is not
3 subject to a valid lease or royalty agreement.

4 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.