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To: IPANM membership  
From: Karin Foster  
Re: New Mexico Legislative Update  
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Dear IPANM members;

What a difference a year and an election can make! Here at the Roundhouse, things are busier than ever, but with all the excellent contacts IPANM has developed over the years, this year we get to be PROACTIVE rather than reactive! Under the leadership of Speaker Tripp and Majority Leader Gentry, the committees are meeting on time and the House is convening twice a day to address important business. In the Senate, the pace is slower although I expect it will need to speed up once House bills get over to that chamber.

IPANM is working on a very important preemption bill (HB 366), sponsored by Leader Gentry. We will have our second hearing on February 3<sup>rd</sup> in House Judiciary. The intent of the bill is to strengthen and clarify the authority of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division and Commission as the exclusive authorities in the areas of conservation, extraction, production, processing and storage of natural gas and oil in New Mexico. Further, HB 366 mandates that the NMOCD is the only authority that may grant permits to site a well or ancillary facilities, or permits to drill or complete a well thereby prohibiting all counties, municipalities or other subdivisions from preventing or limiting any actions allowed in the permits in the areas of conservation, extraction, production, processing or storage of natural gas or oil. Please consider contacting the members of the House Judiciary Committee to express your support for this very important piece of legislation. (see table below)

In addition, IPANM supports several other bills seeking to limit county authority by way of amending the municipal codes and the county zoning authority (SB 421); limiting severance tax distributions to counties with anti-oil and gas ordinances (HB 573) and (HM 16); and developing additional markets for oil (HM 105) or natural gas (HB 512) and (SB 347). At the request of one of our members, IPANM has also been involved with defining 'oil and gas' as New Mexico's natural resource (HB 457) and (SB 435). Conversely, I am busy in 'kill' mode to table bills that are adverse to industry and small producers in particular. You will find the table of bills I am tracking this session. I am also spending time building relationships with Land Commissioner Dunn and his office. We have had several meetings with industry already and I intend to continue to strengthen that relationship after the Session.

As always it is very busy, but if you have time, please consider making a trip to the 'City Different' to spend the day with me around the RoundHouse!

Thank you.  
Karin

HOUSE BILLS				
BillID	Title	Sponsor	Location	Actions
H 33	PIPELINE SAFETY ACT CIVIL PENALTIES	McCamley	HEENC	Tabled
H 38	FOREST & WATERSHED RESTORATION ACT	Bandy	SINT	Passed House 58-0
H 92	SEVERANCE BONDS FOR TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS	Larranaga	HWMC	hearing 3/5
H 114	NO FALSE STATEMENTS TO ENVIRONMENT DEPT.	Egolf	HRPAC	Tabled
H 116	REGIONAL UTILITY CONSTRUCTION OF TRANSMISSION	Brown	SCONC	Passed House 37-19
H 154	LOCAL GOV'T REVIEW OF BUSINESS LEASES	Steinborn	HBEC	Tabled
H 199	OIL & GAS OPERATION JURISDICTION	Bandy	HEENC	Withdrawn
H 210	POLLUTION CONTROL EQUIPMENT GROSS RECEIPTS	James	HWMC	Tabled
H 279	REDUCE CORPORATE INCOME TAX RATE	Strickler	HWMC	Tabled
H 291	NM FEDERAL LAND MANAGEMENT STUDY COMMISSION	Herrell	HJC	hearing 3/2
H 292	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS ACT	Nunez	HGEIC	waiting for hearing
H 299	PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP ACT	Larranaga	HJC	passed HTPWC
H 365	PROTECTION FROM EMINENT DOMAIN	McQueen	HGEIC	Tabled
H 366	OIL & GAS STATE PREEMPTION	Gentry	HJC	hearing HJC 3/3
H 383	FINANCIAL ASSURANCE FOR ABANDONED OIL WELLS	Gallegos	HBEC	passed HEENC
H 445	REDUCE RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO STANDARDS	Scott	HRPAC	passed HEENC
H 457	OIL & GAS AS OFFICIAL STATE RESOURCE	Scott	HGEIC	Hearing 3/6
H 468	STATE SOVEREIGNTY OVER STATE TRUST WILDLIFE	Roch	HAWC	passed HAWC
H 512	NATURAL GAS CAR TAX DEDUCTIONS & CREDITS	Gallegos	HWMC	passed HEENC
H 518	SAFE TRANSPORT OF HAZARDOUS WASTE	Trujillo C	HWMC	waiting for hearing
H 548	GAS PIPELINES & EMINENT DOMAIN POWER	McQueen	HEENC	Hearing 3/2
H 549	LIMIT EMINENT DOMAIN FOR PIPELINES	McQueen	HEENC	Hearing 3/2
H 554	SAN JUAN COAL UNITS & HEALTH SCREENINGS	Johnson	HHC	hearing 3/5
H 559	SEVERANCE BONDS FOR HIGHWAY PROJECTS	Brown	HTPWC	hearing 3/5
H 573	SEVERANCE TAX DISTRIBUTION TO SOME COUNTIES	Clahchischilliage	HGEIC	waiting for hearing
HJR 16	LAND GRANT FUND FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD, CA	Maestas	HGEIC	waiting for hearing
HM 1	EMNRD WEBSITE OIL & GAS INFO	Royball	HEENC	tabled
HM 16	VETO CERTAIN CAPITAL OUTLAY & USE FOR ROADS	Gallegos	HTBL	Tabled
HM 73	STATE COMPLIANCE WITH MINERAL LANDS LEASING	Montoya	PASS	passed house 45-0
HM 74	PROTECT STATE LAND FROM CHICKEN LISTING	Roch	HCAL	waiting for house vote
HM 105	SUPPORT CRUDE OIL EXPORT BAN RELIEF	Montoya	HEENC	waiting for hearing
SENATE BILLS				
S 56	UNITARY CORPORATION COMBINED TAX REPORTING	Wirth	SCORC	tabled
S 113	TAX BONDS FOR DEPT. OF TRANS. PROJECTS	Griggs	SCORC	hearing 3/2
S 114	LOCAL GOV'T SPECIAL FUELS TAXES	Griggs	HINT	passed Senate 25-16
S 156	NMSU WATER RESOURCES RESEARCH INSTITUTE	Papen	SFC	tabled
S 194	REQUIREMENTS FOR PROPOSING & CHANGING RULES	Ivey-Soto	HJC	Passed Senate 39-0
S 247	UTILITY TRANSMISSION FIRST RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT	Ingle	SJC	tabled
S 319	COUNTY IRB PROJECTS & COMPLAINT PROCESS	Levell	SFC	hearing 3/2
S 335	OIL & GAS AS OFFICIAL STATE RESOURCE	Sharer	SRC	hearing 3/2
S 347	NATURAL GAS MOTOR VEHICLE TAX CREDITS	Moores	SCORC	waiting for hearing
S 356	TAX ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS OFFICE ACT	Candaleria	SJC	hearing 3/2
S 374	UNIFORM ENVIRONMENTAL COVENANTS ACT	Ivey-Soto	SCONC	hearing 3/3

S 389	OIL & GAS RULE APPEAL REQUIREMENTS	Leavell	SJC	waiting for hearing
S 421	LIMIT LOCAL GOVERNMENT & ZONING COMMISSIONS	Ingle	SCONC	Waiting for hearing
S 442	FINANCIAL ASSURANCE FOR ABANDONED OIL WELLS	Leavell	SJC	waiting for hearing
S 483	NM FEDERAL LAND MANAGEMENT STUDY COMMISSION	Sharer	SRC	waiting for hearing
S 544	PERMANENT FUND TO EC. DEVELOPMENT DEPT	Ryan	SCORC	hearing 3/2
S 547	STATE LAND TRUSTS BOARD & STATE LAND SALES	Rue	SRC	withdrawn
S 550	REGIONAL WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY ACT	Griego	SCONC	hearing 3/3
S 601	OIL CONSERVATION RULES APPLY TO ALL COUNTIES	Griggs	SCONC	waiting for hearing
S 630	CARBON CREDIT ACT	Sapien	SCONC	waiting for hearing
S 632	CREATE TRANSPORT OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS FUND	Leavell	SCONC	hearing 3/3
S 647	RULES OF PRIORITY ADMINISTRATION OF WATER	Cervantes	SCONC	waiting for hearing
S 648	STATE ENGINEER POWERS & DUTIES	Cervantes	SCONC	waiting for hearing
S 656	RAISE GAS TAX & CREATE ROAD MAINTENANCE FUND	Smith	SCORC	waiting for hearing
S 665	WATER WELLS, LEASES, HEARINGS & ABANDONMENT	Griggs	SCONC	waiting for hearing
SJR 12	LAND GRANT FUND FOR LONGER SCHOOL TIME, CA	Cervantes	SRC	tabled
SJR 13	PRC APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR, CA	Sharer	SRC	tabled
SJR 15	PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND DISTRIBUTION, CA	Stewart	SRC	tabled
SM 6	FEDERAL LAND MGMT. & REVENUE IMPACTS	Wood	SRC	tabled
SM 29	STUDY NATURAL GAS FLARING & VENTING	Shendo	SRC	hearing 3/2