

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2021 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **Senate Bill 404**

BY SENATORS SMITH, IHLENFELD, LINDSAY, JEFFRIES,

AND HAMILTON

[Introduced February 23, 2021; referred  
to the Committee on Energy, Industry, and Mining]



1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,  
2 designated §22-6A-7a, relating to modifications of well work permits issued by the  
3 Department of Environmental Protection's Office of Oil and Gas.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

**ARTICLE 6A. NATURAL GAS HORIZONTAL WELL CONTROL ACT.**

**§22-6A-7a. Modifications of permits.**

1 A permit issued pursuant to this article may be modified to address changes to the permit  
2 if the secretary determines that the modification fully meets all applicable requirements and is  
3 consistent with the issuance of the original permit.

4 The secretary may deny the application for a permit modification as outlined for new  
5 permits under this article.

6 A request to modify a permit issued pursuant to this article shall be on forms prescribed  
7 by the secretary and accompanied by a fee of \$2,500.