

As Introduced

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S. B. No. 132

Senator Antonio

Cosponsors: Senators DeMora, Smith, Hicks-Hudson

To enact section 1509.023 of the Revised Code to
prohibit the removal of oil or gas from under
state lands via horizontal wells and to name
this act the Protecting public Resources,
Ecosystems, and Sensitive lands from Extraction,
Violation, and Exploitation (PRESERVE) Act.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 1509.023 of the Revised Code be
enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 1509.023. Notwithstanding any section of the Revised
Code to the contrary, the director of natural resources or any
other state authority shall not issue any permit, make any
lease, or otherwise grant authorization to take or remove oil or
natural gas from and under any land owned or controlled by the
state via horizontal well.

Section 2. This act shall be known as the Protecting
public Resources, Ecosystems, and Sensitive lands from
Extraction, Violation, and Exploitation (PRESERVE) Act.