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Introduction of Oil and Gas Development

This article provides an update of oil and gas law developments in the State of Illinois from August 1, 2019, through July 31, 2020, and focuses on

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major legislative and regulatory enactments, as well as developments in Illinois common law.

I. Legislative and Regulatory Developments

The Illinois General Assembly's regular session began on January 8, 2020 and was scheduled to end on May 31, 2020. However, due to the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic, the regular session was suspended on March 16, 2020 and reconvened May 20, 2020, before adjourning on May 23, 2020. There was action held regarding several oil and gas legislative and regulatory bills. However, there were no such oil and gas legislative and/or regulatory enactments.

II. Judicial Developments

There were no Illinois federal or state judicial developments regarding oil and gas from August 1, 2019 through July 31, 2020.