

2025-2026 #310 Redline

*Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** In the constitution of the state of Colorado, add section ~~11-17~~ of article XVIII, ~~amend~~ as follows:

~~No ex post facto law, nor law impairing the obligation of contracts, or retrospective in its operation, or making any irrevocable grant of special privileges, franchises or immunities, shall be passed by the general assembly. EXCEPT~~

**Section 17. Joint and several liability for oil and gas operations.**

JOINT AND SEVERAL LIABILITY SHALL APPLY TO CURRENT ~~AND PREVIOUS~~ OIL AND GAS OPERATORS, AND THEIR SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST ~~OWNERS, OR PRODUCERS~~ FOR ANY DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THEIR OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS, INCLUDING ~~BUT NOT LIMITED TO~~ PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL HARM.

**SECTION 2. Applicability.** This Act applies to conduct occurring or contracts entered into on or after the effective date of this measure.

**SECTION ~~23~~.** **Effective date.** This Act takes effect upon official declaration of the governor and is self-executing.