

55-152. Rules and regulations; recommendations of advisory committee; annual review of drilling methods. (a) The commission shall adopt such rules and regulations necessary for the implementation of this act including provisions for the construction, operation and abandonment of any well and the protection of the usable water of this state from any actual or potential pollution from any well. The commission may also promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the supervision and disclosure of any well on which a hydraulic fracturing treatment is performed. Any such rules and regulations relating to wells providing cathodic protection to prevent corrosion to lines shall not preempt existing standards and policies adopted by the board of directors of a groundwater management district if such standards and policies provide protection of fresh water to a degree equal to or greater than that provided by such rules and regulations. No rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to this section shall be adopted by the commission until recommendations have been received from the advisory committee established by K.S.A. 55-153, and amendments thereto.

(b) The commission annually shall review current drilling methods, geologic formation standards, plugging techniques and casing and cementing standards and materials. Based on such review, the commission, if necessary, shall amend its rules and regulations to reflect any changes to be made in such methods, standards, techniques and materials from the previous year.

History: L. 1982, ch. 228, § 3; L. 1986, ch. 201, § 9; L. 1992, ch. 68, § 2; L. 2012, ch. 101, § 1; July 1.