

HB 2720 -- LAND RECLAMATION

SPONSOR: Thomas

Currently, excavations for the purposes of land improvement where excess minerals that can not be used on-site are removed from the site and are not crushed, screened or subjected to other means of beneficiation are not required to obtain a surface mining permit. This bill would allow the minerals to be subjected to beneficiation. The bill would also repeal the requirement that the site not be designated as a surface mine by the Federal Mine Safety and Health Administration.