

Bill Summary
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Bill Analysis

HB 1135 modifies provides that a peace officer, government employee engaged in the performance of their duties, firefighters, emergency medical personnel, or public utility employees engaged in addressing an emergency, and parties engaged in oil and gas operations may enter garden, yard, pasture, or field of a landowner without their express permission. The measure also permits railroad employees and emergency equipment from entering such land to restore rail service, the entrance of utility employees or contractors while acting in the scope of their employment, and employees or contractors of valid easement or license holders while acting in the scope of their employment to enter the land. The measure also provides for several persons of certain occupations to enter the land of the owner unless expressly prohibited from doing so. The measure provides that a person convicted of entering another's land to commit waste, theft, or damage shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for a term of not less than 30 days and not more than 6 months as well as a fine of not less than \$50.00 and not more than \$500.00.

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