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SB 46: Testimony 2019 Regular Session - DOGAMI
EXCLUSION CERTIFICATE/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

SB 46 corrects the unintended requirement of low volume mineral collection and hobby mining activities to obtain an Exclusion Certificate by establishing a minimum yardage threshold. SB 46 would limit the requirement for an Exclusion Certificate for surface mining that results in the extraction of 1,000 to 5,000 cubic yards of minerals within a period of 12 consecutive calendar months. In addition, SB 46 exempts construction excavations necessary for authorized construction projects from surface mining laws, unless the excavated material is sold to the commercial market. To be consistent with a Mineral Lands Program fee bill (SB 45), SB 46 raises the maximum renewal fee for Exclusion Certificates from \$150 to \$165.

The department has filed clarifying amended language relating to 1) the applicability of the surface mining Exclusion Certificate and 2) exemption of on-site construction activities from the definition of surface mining.