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3 Days Left: House Passes Marcellus Severance Tax Vehicle, Senate Up Next



Thanks to Reps Kate Harper (R-Montgomery) and Mario Scavello (R-Monroe), House Democrats passed an amended version of [Senate Bill 1155](#) (Eichelberger-R-Blair) that would enact a Marcellus Shale natural gas production severance tax by a vote of 104 to 94.

A list of those voting for and against [is available online](#).

The severance tax is expected to generate about \$110 million in FY 2010-11 and about \$316 million in FY 2011-12.

The bill now goes to the Senate for consideration. The Senate does not return to voting session until October 12 and will only be in session for three days before adjourning for the year.

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