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Summary of Changes HB 198 Version C to Version C.A (amended)

While being heard on the House Floor, HB 198 was amended by making a change on page 2, line 21. The change deleted the word "may" and inserted the word "shall".

The amendment is shown below.

*The commissioner **shall** [MAY] consider the funds expended by the lessee to explore and develop the lease, the types of work completed by or on behalf of a lessee, and any other relevant information in deciding whether to extend the lease.*

The amendment mandates the Commissioner's consideration of expenditures, work completed and other relevant information, when considering whether to grant a lease extension.

Representative Olson and the Director of the Division of Oil and Gas, Bill Barron had no objection to the amendment.