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Abstract: Creates a voluntary process for a pipeline owner to provide a notice of intent to cross an existing pipeline and initiate a summary proceeding for disputes.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that any person constructing an oil, gas, or carbon dioxide pipeline that will cross an existing pipeline may voluntarily provide notice of the crossing

<u>Proposed law</u> requires that to initiate the summary proceeding, written notice of the planned pipeline crossing must be sent to the existing pipeline owner and <u>proposed law</u> provides the methods by which notice may be delivered.

Proposed law requires the notice to include the following:

- (1) The identity of the company proposing the crossing, and the name, telephone number, email address, and mailing address of its designated representative.
- (2) A crossing drawing providing approximate latitude and longitude coordinates of the planned crossing location and a plan and profile depiction of the planned crossing.
- (3) The diameter, wall thickness, and material of the planned pipeline at the crossing location.
- (4) The minimum vertical separation between the existing pipeline and the planned pipeline.
- (5) The approximate angle measured between the existing pipeline and the planned pipeline at the crossing location.
- (6) The method of installing the planned pipeline at the crossing location.

<u>Proposed law</u> allows the notifying party to initiate a summary proceeding 30 days following receipt of notice by the existing pipeline owner.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that <u>proposed law</u> will apply to all pipeline crossings, including those currently involved in pending lawsuits.

(Adds R.S. 40:1749.28)