
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2026 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to
Original House Bill No. 841 by Representative Geymann

1 AMENDMENT NO. 12 On page 1, delete line 2 in its entirety and insert "To amend and reenact R.S. 30:1108(C)(1),
3 to enact R.S. 19:2.2(A)(1)(d) and R.S. 30:4.4, and to repeal R.S. 30:1108(C)(2), relative to
4 expropriation"5 AMENDMENT NO. 2

6 On page 1, line 3, after "for" and before "owners" delete "pipeline"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 38 On page 1, line 6, after "appraisals;" delete the remainder of the line and on line 7, delete
9 "validity of a proposed taking;" and insert "to provide for penalties;"10 AMENDMENT NO. 411 On page 1, line 9, after "Section 1." delete the remainder of the line and insert "R.S.
12 19:2.2(A)(1)(d) is hereby enacted"13 AMENDMENT NO. 5

14 On page 1, delete lines 11 through 17 in their entirety

15 AMENDMENT NO. 616 On page 2, line 7, after "property" and before the period ":" insert "and receiving a
17 reasonable fee for the appraiser's services"18 AMENDMENT NO. 7

19 On page 2, delete lines 9 through 27 in their entirety

20 AMENDMENT NO. 821 On page 2, line 28, after "Section 2." and before "R.S. 30:4.4" insert "R.S. 30:1108(C)(1) is
22 hereby amended and reenacted and"23 AMENDMENT NO. 924 On page 2, line 29, after "Pipeline" and before "certificates" insert "and other"25 AMENDMENT NO. 1026 On page 3, line 1, after "pipeline" and before "owner" insert "or other"27 AMENDMENT NO. 1128 On page 3, line 4, after "landowner" and before "of the" insert "or landowners"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 12

2 On page 3, line 5, after "rights." and before "notice" change "The" to "This" and after "all"
3 and before "property owners" insert "such"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 13

5 On page 3, at the beginning of line 14, change "perform" to "comply with"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 14

7 On page 3, at the end of line 26, insert the following:

8 "In the course of such negotiations, the owner or operator shall not threaten the
9 imposition of attorneys fees or costs in connection with any expropriation
10 proceeding."

11 AMENDMENT NO. 15

12 On page 4, delete lines 5 through 7 in their entirety and insert the following:

13 "(5) Allow the landowner or their representative at least fifteen calendar days
14 from delivery of the written offer, or from the sender's receipt of notification of a
15 failed attempt to deliver the written offer by United States certified mail or
16 commercial courier, to respond with additional information or a counteroffer."

17 AMENDMENT NO. 16

18 On page 4, line 8, after "finds" and before "that" insert a comma "," and "after notice and an
19 opportunity to be heard."

20 AMENDMENT NO. 17

21 On page 4, line 10, after "issued." delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 11 and 12
22 in their entirety and insert the following:

23 "the owner or operator shall be subject to the penalties provided for in this
24 Subsection.
25 (1) The secretary may revoke any certificate granting the owner or operator
26 expropriating authority.
27 (2)(a) Any person found to have violated this Section shall be liable to the
28 department for a civil penalty as follows:
29 (i) One thousand dollars for the first violation.
30 (ii) Two thousand dollars for the second violation.
31 (iii) Ten thousand dollars for a third or subsequent violation.
32 (b) The penalty shall be assessed by the secretary by written notice. The
33 secretary or the attorney general may bring a civil action to recover any penalties
34 assessed pursuant to this Paragraph.
35 (c) Penalties collected by the department for a violation of this Section shall
36 be deposited into the Oil and Gas Regulatory Dedicated Fund Account pursuant to
37 the provisions of R.S. 30:21.
38 (3) The department shall maintain on its website a list of persons found to
39 have violated this Section."

40 AMENDMENT NO. 18

41 On page 4, after line 12, insert the following:

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1 §1108. Eminent domain; expropriation
2 * * *

3 C.~~(1)~~ ~~In addition to the requirements of Paragraph (2) of this Subsection and~~
4 ~~any other power of eminent domain authorized by law, eminent~~ The eminent domain
5 authority authorized under this Chapter shall be exercised pursuant to the procedures
6 found in R.S. 19:2 et seq. and R.S. 30:4.4. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary,
7 expropriation hearings conducted pursuant to this Chapter shall be heard in the parish
8 in which the property subject to the expropriation is situated.

9 * * *

10 Section 3. R.S. 30:1108(C)(2) is hereby repealed in its entirety."

CODING: Words in ~~struck through~~ type are deletions from existing law; words underscored are additions.