



## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	15-2442/1	Introduction Number	AB-0319	Estimate Type	Original
<b>Description</b> Conveying interests in local government land for construction of natural gas lines					

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Current law generally prohibits the condemnation of real property owned by the state, a municipality, or a county except for high-voltage transmission lines constructed over, on, or under land owned by a county, city, village, town, public board, or commission. This bill amends and renumbers 196.491 to expand the exception regarding condemnation to include natural gas distribution and transmission lines constructed by natural gas public utilities.

There is no fiscal effect for PSC. This bill will not change the number of certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) issued by the Public Service Commission and therefore has no impact.

The fiscal effect of this bill on local governments, business, and homeowners is not determinable. This bill allows the condemnation of real property when constructing natural gas distribution and transmission lines constructed by natural gas public utilities. If a natural gas public utility receives a CPCN authorizing construction of such a line over, on, or under land owned by a county, city, village, town, public board, or commission, the owner of the land must convey to the utility, at fair market value, the interest in the land necessary for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the line. The cost of condemning the real property is passed on to the rate payers which is not determinable. The cost to the real property owner is also not determinable since fair market value may be advantageous or disadvantageous to the land owner.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications