

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2009 Senate Bill 615	Senate Amendment 1
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Under current law, a person who proposes to build a high-voltage electric transmission line for which all construction activity will take place within the area of an existing electric transmission line right-of-way is exempt from the requirement to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the Public Service Commission. 2009 Senate Bill 615 clarifies the meaning of "within the area of an existing electric transmission line right-of-way" by specifying that the exemption applies if the centerline of the new transmission line is within 60 feet of either side of the midline of the existing transmission line.

Senate Amendment 1 specifies that this change does not apply to electric cooperatives.

Legislative History

On April 7, 2010, the Senate Committee on Commerce, Utilities, Energy, and Rail voted to recommend adoption of Senate Amendment 1 and passage of Senate Bill 615, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 7; Noes, 0.

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