

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1948

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An Act relating to conveyances; requiring certain easements to contain legal description; prohibiting recordation of instruments not containing certain legal description; specifying requirements of legal description; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 28.1 of Title 16, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. No instrument granting an easement for a pipeline shall be recorded in the real property records of the county in which the pipeline, or some part of the pipeline, is located unless the instrument contains a specific legal description of the location of the pipe within the section or sections over which or under which the pipe crosses.

B. The legal description shall, at a minimum, describe the location of the pipe by reference to the quarter section in which the pipe is located, and may be more specific as to the location of the pipe in relation to:

1. Any of the four (4) quadrants within a quarter of a section;

2. Any of the four (4) quadrants within a quarter of a quarter of a section;

3. Any of the four (4) quadrants within a quarter of a quarter of a quarter of a section; or

4. Any other division of the quarter section which clearly reflects the location of the pipe within the section.

C. The provisions of this section shall be applicable to instruments presented for recording on and after November 1, 1997.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1997.

Passed the House of Representatives the 10th day of March, 1997.

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 1997.

President of the Senate