

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 46th Legislature (1997)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1733

By: Beutler

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to oil and gas; amending 52 O.S.

1991, Section 52, Section 5, Which relates to pipelines; clarifying and updating language; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 52 O.S. 1991, Section 5, is amended to read as follows:

Section 5. A. 1. The Corporation Commission is hereby authorized, directed and empowered to promulgate, ~~adopt~~ and enforce reasonable rules ~~and regulations~~ establishing minimum state safety standards for the design, construction, maintenance and operation of all pipelines used for the transmission and distribution of natural gas in this state.

2. When any ~~such~~ transmission pipeline ~~shall be~~ is constructed, operated or maintained under, through and across a highway, section-line road or improved public road or street, there shall be erected directly above where such pipeline enters or leaves said highway, section-line road or improved public road or street, a suitable sign or marker stating thereon the name of the owner of such pipeline and such other information as the ~~Corporation~~ Commission may by rule ~~or regulation~~ direct.

B. The ~~Corporation~~ Commission may appoint a registered professional engineer with actual experience in the design, construction, maintenance or operation of natural gas pipelines, and such other personnel as may be provided by law, to carry out the provisions of this act. ~~He~~ Such engineer shall be furnished with such personnel, supplies and equipment as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act. The expenses of any inspection shall be borne and paid for by the parties laying and constructing or operating such pipelines for the transportation or transmission of natural gas.

~~The passage of this act shall not affect the validity of any rules or regulations heretofore adopted by the Corporation Commission until the same have been altered, amended or superseded by rules and regulations adopted pursuant to this section.~~

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

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