

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL NO. 3335

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to oil and gas; requiring certain entities to hold a public hearing prior to exercising the right of eminent domain to lay pipeline; requiring certain notice; requiring notice to be published in certain newspapers for a certain time period; providing for location of public hearings; 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 46.5 of Title 52, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Any person, firm, association or corporation desiring to exercise the right of eminent domain as to any property for the use of transporting natural gas, petroleum, liquid or liquifiable hydrocarbons or chemicals by pipeline and the location, laying, construction, maintenance and operation of the pipeline shall, as a condition precedent to the filing of a petition in the district court, hold a public hearing on the condemnation action. Notice of the public hearing shall be served in compliance with notice in a

civil action in district court. Notice shall also be published at least once each week for two (2) successive weeks in some newspaper of general circulation in the county or counties where the pipeline is proposed to be located. The first publication of the notice shall be at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the public hearing. The public hearing shall be held in the county or counties where the pipeline is proposed to be located.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1998.

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