

BILL SUMMARY
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Impact:	Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

The proposed policy committee substitute for HB 3453 requires independent judicial review of all eminent domain decisions regarding public use. Courts must interpret eminent domain laws favorably toward property owners, and any ambiguity should restrict the authority of the condemning body.

Property owners have the right to a hearing on public use and the necessity of property taking. The condemning authority must provide all relevant engineering, environmental, financial, and routing analyses to the property owner at least 60 days before the hearing. If the condemning authority cannot justify the property taking, the property owner may recover attorney fees, costs, and witness fees.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.