

**BILL SUMMARY**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 60<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB3453</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Please see previous summary of this measure</b>

**Research Analysis**

The amendment to the proposed policy committee substitute for HB 3453 removes the section requiring the condemning authority to provide all relevant engineering, environmental, financial, and routing analyses to the property owner at least 60 days before the hearing.

The proposed policy committee substitute for HB 3453, as amended, 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. 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.