## An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL NO. 2752

By: Caldwell (Trey), Hilbert, and Dobrinski of the House

and

Gollihare, Bullard, and Pederson of the Senate

An Act relating to eminent domain; amending 27 O.S. 2021, Section 7, which relates to eminent domain for electricity; determining when eminent domain may be used; providing that eminent domain shall not be used for certain facilities on private property; requiring certain entities seeking eminent domain to receive specific certificates under certain circumstances; providing exceptions for receiving certain certificates; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Eminent domain

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 27 O.S. 2021, Section 7, is amended to read as follows:

Section 7. A. Except as otherwise provided in this section, any person, firm or corporation organized under the laws of this state, or authorized to do business in this state, to furnish light, heat or power by electricity or <u>natural</u> gas, or any other person, association or firm engaged in furnishing lights, heat or power by electricity or <u>natural</u> gas shall have and exercise the right of eminent domain in the same manner and by like proceedings as provided for railroad corporations by laws of this state. B. The power of eminent domain shall not be used for the siting or building of wind turbines energy facilities, solar energy facilities, battery storage facilities, hydrogen gas facilities, or other renewable energy facilities on private property.

C. Prior to seeking to exercise eminent domain for an electric transmission facility rated greater than three hundred (300) kilovolts, any person, firm, or corporation under the purview of subsection A of this section must have obtained a Certificate of Authority from the Corporation Commission.

D. This section shall not be construed to require any Oklahoma retail electric supplier or rural electric cooperative to secure a Certificate of Authority for any extension, rebuild, or upgrade to an electric transmission facility.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

Passed the House of Representatives the 22nd day of May, 2025.

Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 28th day of May, 2025.

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