

HR 5454

Fairness for Landowners Facing Eminent Domain Act

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

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This bill addresses the use of eminent domain by the holder of a certificate of public convenience and necessity to acquire land or property with respect to the construction and operation of a natural gas pipeline facility.

Specifically, the bill

- prohibits the use of eminent domain unless the holder (1) obtains all federal and state permits required by law for the construction and operation of pipeline facilities, and (2) complies with all environmental conditions appended to the certificate order;
- suspends eminent domain authority if (1) the holder requests a material amendment to the certificate, or (2) a federal or state permit held by the holder is vacated or remanded; and
- prohibits the use of eminent domain if the pipeline, land, or other property necessary for the construction and operation of the natural gas pipeline is attached to any facility that imports or exports natural gas from or to a foreign country.

Actions Timeline

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