

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0203

Scope of pipeline easements.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Hunt, Blake, Lindholm,
McKim and Northrup

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to property; specifying requirements for
2 pipeline easements when the original easement is silent or
3 unclear; specifying applicability; and providing for an
4 effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 34-1-154 is created to read:

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10 **34-1-154. Pipeline easements.**

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12 (a) The following shall apply to pipeline easements
13 across land executed and recorded on or after July 1, 2017:

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1 (i) If the easement is silent or unclear
2 regarding the width of the easement, the easement shall be
3 limited to no more than fifty (50) feet wide;

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5 (ii) If the easement is silent or unclear on the
6 number of pipelines to be installed or allows for the
7 installation of an unlimited number of pipelines without
8 specifying a timeframe for installation, the easement shall
9 be limited to the number of pipelines installed within five
10 (5) years after the date the easement was executed.

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12 (b) The following shall apply to pipeline easements
13 across land executed and recorded prior to July 1, 2017:

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15 (i) If the easement is silent or unclear
16 regarding the width of the easement, the easement shall be
17 limited to no more than fifty (50) feet wide if there is
18 one (1) completed pipeline in the easement and no more than
19 one hundred (100) feet wide if there are multiple completed
20 pipelines in the easement and the completed pipelines do
21 not exceed one hundred (100) feet in width;

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1 (ii) If the easement is silent or unclear on the
2 number of pipelines to be installed or allows for the
3 installation of an unlimited number of pipelines without
4 specifying a timeframe for installation, it shall be
5 limited to the number of pipelines installed prior to July
6 1, 2022.

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8 (c) Nothing in this section shall prevent parties
9 from executing and recording easements with terms that
10 conflict with this section. The specific provisions of an
11 easement are effective and controlling to the extent they
12 conflict with the requirements of this section.

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14 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2017.

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