BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

The proposed oversight committee substitute for HB 2036 modifies the circumstances for property owners to be reimbursed during eminent domain proceedings for railroads and oil and gas pipelines. Property owners are eligible for attorney, appraisal, and engineering fee reimbursement if:

- The property owner—or both the property owner and the condemning authority—requests a jury trial and the jury's award is at least 10 percent more than the greater of the commissioners' award or the condemning authority's last offer; or
- Only the condemning authority requests a jury trial and the jury's award is at least 90 percent of the greater of the commissioners' award or the condemning authority's last offer.

A written compensation offer is considered timely if it is made within 75 days of the commissioners' report being filed.

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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.

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