

HB 706 -- Abandoned Easements

Sponsor: Zerr

This bill specifies that any owner or operator of pipelines transporting petroleum or natural gas who fails to maintain an easement for the purpose described in the original conveyance of the easement for a period of 10 years will be deemed to have abandoned the easement terminating it and surrendering the rights previously transferred to the property owner of record. The owner of record must pay monetary consideration equal to the original consideration obtained in exchange for the easement. Upon termination, the owner or operator of the pipeline must remove it and restore the property to its original condition.