

HB 1115 -- CIVIL ACTION AGAINST A RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

SPONSOR: Richardson

This bill requires damage awards in cases where a property owner prevails against a rural electric cooperative or its affiliates for trespass or expanded use of an easement to be calculated based on the diminution in fair market value caused by the trespass or expanded use and attorney fees and costs. The revenue and profit earned by the rural electric cooperative will not be relevant to a damage calculation.