

Dear Members of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee,

I am writing to express my support of SB2379. This bill introduces amendments that will enhance fairness of the eminent domain process. It requires written consent from the landowner or an order of the court before surveying can take place. This provision ensures that landowners are adequately informed and their rights are respected before any surveying activities commence. It strikes a balance between the needs of public projects and the protection of private property rights. It mandates that the survey and location of the condemner's project must be compatible with the greatest public benefit and the least private injury. This requirement ensures that public projects are planned and executed in a manner that maximizes benefits to the community while minimizing adverse impacts on individual landowners.

In conclusion, SB2379 ensures that landowners' rights are respected, public projects are planned with the community's best interests in mind, and critical infrastructure improvements can proceed without undue delay. I urge a DO PASS by the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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