

Amend CSHB 2572 by adding the following SECTION, appropriately numbered, and renumbering the SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Subchapter A, Chapter 181, Utilities Code, is amended by adding Section 181.0045 to read as follows:

Sec. 181.0045. ROUTING OF CERTAIN GAS PIPELINES. The Railroad Commission of Texas shall adopt rules regarding the routing of gas pipelines by a person who gathers or transports natural gas. At a minimum, the rules must ensure that the proposed route of a pipeline and the proposed location of related facilities maximize, to the extent practicable, the use of existing easements and public rights-of-way, including streets, roads, highways, and utility rights-of-way.