

1-1 By: Herrero (Senate Sponsor - Williams) H.B. No. 4300  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 7, 2009;  
1-3 May 7, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural  
1-4 Resources; May 23, 2009, reported adversely, with favorable  
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0;  
1-6 May 23, 2009, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 4300 By: Averitt

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to safety rules for certain pipeline facilities and public  
1-11 awareness.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Sections 121.2015(c) and (d), Utilities Code,  
1-14 are amended to read as follows:

1-15 (c) If the operator or operator's representative cannot  
1-16 arrange a meeting in person after complying with Subsection (b),  
1-17 the operator or the operator's representative shall ~~[make an effort~~  
1-18 ~~to]~~ conduct community liaison activities by ~~[means of a telephone~~  
1-19 ~~conference call with the officials by]~~ one of the following  
1-20 methods:

1-21 (1) holding ~~[mailing a written request for]~~ a  
1-22 telephone conference with ~~[to]~~ the appropriate officials ~~[by~~  
1-23 ~~certified mail, return receipt requested]; or~~

1-24 (2) delivering ~~[sending a request for a telephone~~  
1-25 ~~conference to the appropriate officials by facsimile transmission,~~  
1-26 ~~or~~

1-27 ~~[(3) making one or more telephone calls or e-mail~~  
1-28 ~~message transmissions to the appropriate officials to request a~~  
1-29 ~~telephone conference.~~

1-30 ~~[(d) If the operator or the operator's representative has~~  
1-31 ~~made the efforts required by Subsections (b) and (c) but has not~~  
1-32 ~~successfully arranged a meeting in person or a telephone~~  
1-33 ~~conference,]~~ the community liaison information required to be  
1-34 conveyed ~~[may be delivered by mailing the information]~~ by certified  
1-35 mail, return receipt requested.

1-36 SECTION 2. Sections 117.012(i) and (j), Natural Resources  
1-37 Code, are amended to read as follows:

1-38 (i) If the operator or operator's representative cannot  
1-39 arrange a meeting in person after complying with Subsection (h),  
1-40 the operator or the operator's representative shall ~~[make an~~  
1-41 ~~effort, by one of the following methods, to]~~ conduct community  
1-42 liaison activities by one of the following methods ~~[means of a~~  
1-43 ~~telephone conference call with the officials]:~~

1-44 (1) holding ~~[mailing a written request for]~~ a  
1-45 telephone conference with ~~[to]~~ the appropriate officials ~~[by~~  
1-46 ~~certified mail, return receipt requested]; or~~

1-47 (2) delivering ~~[sending a request for a telephone~~  
1-48 ~~conference to the appropriate officials by facsimile transmission,~~  
1-49 ~~or~~

1-50 ~~[(3) making one or more telephone calls or e-mail~~  
1-51 ~~message transmissions to the appropriate officials to request a~~  
1-52 ~~telephone conference.~~

1-53 ~~[(j) If the operator or the operator's representative has~~  
1-54 ~~made the efforts required by Subsections (h) and (i) but has not~~  
1-55 ~~successfully arranged a meeting in person or a telephone~~  
1-56 ~~conference,]~~ the community liaison information required to be  
1-57 conveyed ~~[may be delivered by mailing the information]~~ by certified  
1-58 mail, return receipt requested.

1-59 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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