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H.B. No. 1166

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to liability of certain electric utilities that allow
3 certain uses of land that the electric utility owns, occupies, or
4 leases.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 75.0022(b), Civil Practice and Remedies
7 Code, is amended to read as follows:

8 (b) This section applies only to an electric utility located
9 in:

10 (1) a county with a population of four million or more;

11 or

12 (2) a county with a population of 550,000 or more that
13 is adjacent to a county described by Subdivision (1).

14 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
15 to a cause of action that accrues on or after the effective date of
16 this Act. A cause of action that accrues before the effective date
17 of this Act is governed by the law in effect immediately before that
18 date, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
23 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.