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Summary: Private, for-profit pipeline companies

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

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12/16/2020 House Referred to Committee on **Labor, Commerce and Industry**

1/12/2021 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal‑page 224](file:///h:\hj\20210112.docx))

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3/18/2021 House Committee report: Favorable **Labor, Commerce and Industry** ([House Journal‑page 4](file:///h:\hj\20210318.docx))

4/6/2021 House Read second time ([House Journal‑page 52](file:///h:\hj\20210406.docx))

4/6/2021 House Roll call Yeas‑112 Nays‑0 ([House Journal‑page 52](file:///h:\hj\20210406.docx))

4/7/2021 House Read third time and sent to Senate ([House Journal‑page 11](file:///h:\hj\20210407.docx))

4/7/2021 Senate Introduced and read first time ([Senate Journal‑page 5](file:///h:\sj\20210407.docx))

4/7/2021 Senate Referred to Committee on **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 5](file:///h:\sj\20210407.docx))

3/14/2022 Senate Referred to Subcommittee: Rankin (ch), Hutto, Campsen, Matthews, Talley

3/30/2022 Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 15](file:///h:\sj\20220330.docx))

4/6/2022 Senate Committee Amendment Adopted ([Senate Journal‑page 101](file:///h:\sj\20220406.docx))

4/6/2022 Senate Amended ([Senate Journal‑page 101](file:///h:\sj\20220406.docx))

4/6/2022 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal‑page 101](file:///h:\sj\20220406.docx))

4/6/2022 Senate Roll call Ayes‑42 Nays‑0 ([Senate Journal‑page 101](file:///h:\sj\20220406.docx))

4/7/2022 Scrivener's error corrected

4/7/2022 Senate Read third time and returned to House with amendments ([Senate Journal‑page 47](file:///h:\sj\20220407.docx))

4/20/2022 House Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled ([House Journal‑page 19](file:///h:\hj\20220420.docx))

4/20/2022 House Roll call Yeas‑112 Nays‑0 ([House Journal‑page 20](file:///h:\hj\20220420.docx))

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4/21/2022 Ratified R 158

4/25/2022 Signed By Governor

5/2/2022 Effective date See Act for Effective Date

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(A144, R158, H3524)

**AN ACT** **TO AMEND SECTION 58‑7‑10, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE RIGHTS, POWERS, AND PRIVILEGES OF TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE COMPANIES CONFERRED ON PIPELINE COMPANIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 58‑9‑2030 AND OF CHAPTER 2, TITLE 28 DO NOT APPLY TO PRIVATE, FOR‑PROFIT PIPELINE COMPANIES, INCLUDING PUBLICLY TRADED FOR‑PROFIT COMPANIES, THAT ARE NOT DEFINED WITHIN TITLE 58 AS A PUBLIC UTILITY, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT SHALL SUNSET ON JUNE 30, 2024, UNLESS OTHERWISE AMENDED, REENACTED, OR EXTENDED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.**

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

**Condemnation powers, certain pipeline companies exempted**

SECTION 1. Section 58‑7‑10 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 58‑7‑10. (A) Subject to the same duties and liabilities, all the rights, powers, and privileges conferred upon telegraph and telephone companies under Article 17, Chapter 9 of this title are hereby granted to pipeline companies incorporated under the laws of this State or to such companies incorporated under the laws of any other state when such companies have complied with the laws of this State regulating the doing of business herein by foreign corporations.

(B) The provisions of Section 58‑9‑2030 and of Chapter 2, Title 28 do not apply to private, for‑profit pipeline companies, including publicly traded for‑profit companies, that are not defined within this title as a public utility.”

**Time effective and sunset provisions**

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor and Section 58‑7‑10(B), as added by this act, is repealed June 30, 2024, unless the General Assembly amends the language of Section 58‑7‑10(B) or it is reenacted or otherwise extended by the General Assembly before June 30, 2024.

Ratified the 21st day of April, 2022.

Approved the 25th day of April, 2022.

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