

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0025

Eminent domain-wind energy collector systems.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Brown and Steward

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to condemnation; limiting the exercise of  
 2 the power of condemnation for the erection, placement or  
 3 expansion of collector systems associated with commercial  
 4 facilities generating electricity from wind; repealing an  
 5 existing moratorium; and providing for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 1-26-815 by creating a new subsection  
 10 (e) is amended to read:

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12 **1-26-815. Right of eminent domain granted; ways of**  
 13 **necessity for authorized businesses; purposes; extent.**

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15 (e) No person qualified to exercise the condemnation  
 16 authority granted by this section, except a public utility  
 17 that has been granted a certificate of public convenience

1 and necessity pursuant to W.S. 37-2-205, shall exercise the  
2 authority for the erection, placement or expansion of  
3 collector systems associated with commercial facilities  
4 generating electricity from wind. As used in this  
5 subsection, "collector systems associated with commercial  
6 facilities generating electricity from wind" means the  
7 conductor infrastructure, including conductors, towers,  
8 substations, switchgear and other components necessary to  
9 deliver power from any commercial facility generating  
10 electricity from wind up to but not including electric  
11 substations or interconnections facilities associated with  
12 existing or proposed transmission lines that serve load or  
13 that export energy from Wyoming.

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15 **Section 2.** W.S. 1-26-815(d) is repealed.

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17 **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon  
18 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
19 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
20 Constitution.

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