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For the past several sessions, Coalition for Critical Infrastructure has collectively worked to reach a resolution on eminent domain reform. After years of intense negotiations, we have reached consensus on language which makes significant improvements to the process for property owners while also ensuring the building of critical infrastructure continues to keep pace with our state's growing population and needs.

This legislation, as passed out of the committee, represents a delicate compromise among numerous stakeholders. We respectfully request that you support the bill as-is, and reject any proposed amendments.

CSHB 2730 includes the following provisions:

- ★ *The Landowner's Bill of Rights will remain at the Office of the Attorney General but will now require public input into its contents.*
- ★ *The Landowner's Bill of Rights will include information notifying a property owner of the right to file a complaint for misconduct conducted by a certified easement or right-of-way agent.*
- ★ *The Landowner's Bill of Rights will now include an addendum with a list of the easement terms required that may be included in an instrument of conveyance.*
- ★ *Certified easement or right-of-way agents will be required to complete additional education/training in the area of property acquisition, including ethics.*
- ★ *The condemning entities will be required to provide additional information with an initial offer, including a statement regarding damages to the remainder and an instrument that includes minimum easement terms.*
- ★ *Inclusion of procedural timelines once a condemnation petition is filed, including timing of appointment of special commissioners.*

We would appreciate your **SUPPORT** of **CSHB 2730**,
as passed out of committee.

