

SENATE FILE NO. SF0174

Eminent domain-public use.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Job, Geis and Vasey and Representative(s) Semlek

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to eminent domain; defining public use; and
2 providing for an effective date.

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

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6 **Section 1.** W.S. 1-26-502(a) by creating a new
7 paragraph (vi) and by renumbering (vi) as (vii) is amended
8 to read:

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10 **1-26-502. Definitions.**

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12 (a) As used in this act:

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14 (vi) "Public use" means:

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1 (A) The possession, occupation and
 2 enjoyment of the land by the general public or by public
 3 agencies;

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 5 (B) The use of land for creation or
 6 functioning of public utilities or rural electric
 7 cooperatives for domestic distribution; or

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 9 (C) The use of eminent domain to:

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 11 (I) Eliminate a direct threat to
 12 public health or safety caused by the property in its
 13 current condition; and

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 15 (II) Remove a public nuisance; or

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 17 (III) Remove a structure that is
 18 beyond repair or is unfit for human habitation or use; or

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 20 (IV) Acquire abandoned property.

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 22 ~~(vi)~~ (vii) "This act" means W.S. 1-26-501 through
 23 1-26-817.

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1 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2007.

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