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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Eminent domain-wind energy collector systems.

Sponsored by: HDRAFT

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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1       (e) No person qualified to exercise the condemnation  
2 authority granted by this section, except a public utility  
3 that has been granted a certificate of public convenience  
4 and necessity pursuant to W.S. 37-2-205, shall exercise the  
5 authority for the erection, placement or expansion of  
6 collector systems associated with commercial facilities  
7 generating electricity from wind. As used in this  
8 subsection, "collector systems associated with commercial  
9 facilities generating electricity from wind" means the  
10 conductor infrastructure, including conductors, towers,  
11 substations, switchgear and other components necessary to  
12 deliver power from any commercial facility generating  
13 electricity from wind up to but not including electric  
14 substations or interconnections facilities associated with  
15 existing or proposed transmission lines that serve load or  
16 that export energy from Wyoming.

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18       **Section 2.** W.S. 1-26-815(d) is repealed.

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

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