

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

## **2009 Senate Bill 615**

## Senate Amendment 1

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Under current law, a person who proposes to build a high-voltage electric transmission line for which all construction activity will take place within the area of an existing electric transmission line right-of-way is exempt from the requirement to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the Public Service Commission. 2009 Senate Bill 615 clarifies the meaning of "within the area of an existing electric transmission line right-of-way" by specifying that the exemption applies if the centerline of the new transmission line is within 60 feet of either side of the midline of the existing transmission line.

Senate Amendment 1 specifies that this change does not apply to electric cooperatives.

## Legislative History

On April 7, 2010, the Senate Committee on Commerce, Utilities, Energy, and Rail voted to recommend adoption of Senate Amendment 1 and passage of Senate Bill 615, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 7; Noes, 0.

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