

CHAPTER 79

H.B. No. 1207

An Act relating to the power of eminent domain of the Board of Regents of the University of Houston System; amending Section 111.38 of the Education Code.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 111.38, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 111.38. **EMINENT DOMAIN.** The board has the power of eminent domain to acquire for the use of the university any land necessary and proper for carrying out its purposes as a state-supported institution of higher education. However, the power of eminent domain is restricted to the area within *Victoria County*, Harris County, and any county whose boundaries are contiguous to Harris County. The board shall not be required to deposit a bond or the amount equal to the award of the commissioners as provided in Paragraph 2, Article 3268, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended.

SECTION 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on March 28, 1985, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on April 25, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved: May 7, 1985

Effective: August 26, 1985