

CHAPTER 1079

S.B. No. 1036

AN ACT

relating to the authority of certain partnerships to exercise the power of eminent domain.

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

SECTION 1. Article 1435, Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

Art. 1435. POWERS. Gas, electric current and power corporations shall have power to generate, make and manufacture, transport and sell gas, electric current and power to individuals, the public and municipalities for light, heat, power and other purposes, and to make reasonable charges therefor; to construct, maintain and operate power plants and substations and such machinery, apparatus, pipes, poles, wires, devices and arrangements as may be necessary to operate such lines at and between different points in this State; to own, hold and use such lands, right of way, easements, franchises, buildings and

structures as may be necessary for the purpose of such corporation. In Articles 1435 through 1438, the term "corporation" includes partnerships and other combinations composed exclusively of corporations *or in which a corporation is a general partner*.

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, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed the Senate on May 7, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0. Passed the House on May 29, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 147, Nays 0, one present not voting.

Approved June 19, 1987.

Effective June 19, 1987.