

Amend Amendment No. 6 by Burnam to **CSSB 18** by striking the text of the amendment and substituting the following:

Amend **CSSB 18** (house committee printing) in SECTION 1 of the bill, at the end of added Subchapter C, Chapter 2206, Government Code (page 8, between lines 2 and 3), by inserting the following:

Sec. 2206.102. SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN AUTHORITY OF GAS CORPORATIONS; COMPTROLLER STUDY. (a) Notwithstanding Section 181.004, Utilities Code, or other law, beginning on September 1, 2011, and continuing until September 1, 2013, the authority of a gas corporation to exercise the power of eminent domain for a project related to constructing a gathering or transmission pipeline for transporting gas for a single producer is suspended.

(b) The comptroller shall conduct a study and prepare a report regarding the authority of gas corporations to condemn property under Section 181.004, Utilities Code, for projects described by Subsection (a). The study and report shall include:

(1) an analysis of the costs and benefits of that authority for private landowners, commercial enterprises, and the state;

(2) an assessment of the impact of that authority on private property rights in the state; and

(3) a recommendation for retaining, eliminating, or amending that authority.

(c) Not later than December 31, 2012, the comptroller shall submit to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the presiding officers of the appropriate standing committees of the senate and the house of representatives the report required by Subsection (b), including the recommendation required by that subsection.

(d) This section expires September 1, 2013.