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# **HB 2496**

Introduced by  
Representative Griffin

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 40-360, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO TRANSMISSION LINES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2       Section 1. Section 40-360, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4           **40-360. Definitions**

5       In this article, unless the context otherwise requires:

6       1. "Area of jurisdiction" means the state, a county or an  
7 incorporated city or town ~~which~~ THAT exercises concurrent or exclusive  
8 jurisdiction over a geographical area.

9       2. "Certificate of environmental compatibility" means the  
10 certificate THAT IS required by this article ~~which AND THAT~~ evidences the  
11 approval by the state of the sites for a plant or transmission line, or  
12 both.

13       3. "Commission" means the ~~Arizona~~ corporation commission.

14       4. "Committee" means the ~~powerplant~~ POWER PLANT and transmission  
15 line siting committee.

16       5. "Current Arizona electric transmission system" means the  
17 existing electric transmission system serving this state and all  
18 transmission lines on file with the commission as of January 31 of the  
19 previous year.

20       6. "Facilities" means a plant, OR transmission line, or both.

21       7. "Member" means the state official named herein, the employee  
22 designee thereof from the department, agency or governing body of such  
23 state official member and the public members designated herein.

24       8. "Person" means any state or agency or political subdivision  
25 thereof, or any individual, partnership, joint venture, corporation, city  
26 or county, whether located within or without this state, or any  
27 combination of such entities.

28       9. "Plant" means each separate thermal electric, nuclear or  
29 hydroelectric generating unit with a nameplate rating of one hundred  
30 megawatts or more for which expenditures or financial commitments for land  
31 acquisition, materials, construction or engineering ~~in excess of fifty~~  
32 ~~thousand dollars~~ EXCEEDING \$50,000 have not been made ~~prior to~~ BEFORE  
33 August 13, 1971.

34       10. "Transmission line" means a series of new structures THAT IS  
35 MORE THAN ONE-FOURTH MILE IN LENGTH AND THAT IS erected above ground and  
36 ~~supporting~~ SUPPORTS one or more conductors designed for the transmission  
37 of electric energy at nominal voltages of one hundred fifteen thousand  
38 volts or more and all new switchyards to be used therewith and related  
39 thereto for which expenditures or financial commitments for land  
40 acquisition, materials, construction or engineering ~~in excess of fifty~~  
41 ~~thousand dollars~~ EXCEEDING \$50,000 have not been made ~~prior to~~ BEFORE  
42 August 13, 1971.

43       11. "Utility" means any person engaged in the generation or  
44 transmission of electric energy.