

1 AN ACT concerning gas storage.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Gas Storage Act is amended by changing  
5 Section 1 as follows:

6 (220 ILCS 15/1) (from Ch. 96 1/2, par. 5501)

7 Sec. 1. Any corporation which is engaged in or desires to  
8 engage in, the distribution, transportation or storage of  
9 natural gas or manufactured gas, which gas, in whole or in  
10 part, is intended for ultimate distribution to the public in  
11 the State of Illinois, if the said business of such  
12 corporation is regulated or subject to regulation under  
13 either the laws of the State of Illinois or the laws of the  
14 United States, shall have the right to enter upon, take or  
15 damage private property or any interest therein, in the  
16 manner provided for by the law of eminent domain, necessary  
17 or convenient for its said operations, including the storage  
18 of gas, all of which operations are hereby recognized and  
19 declared to be affected with a public interest and all of the  
20 property used in which operations is hereby recognized and  
21 declared to be devoted to public use. If a person (i) holds a  
22 certificate of public convenience and necessity issued under  
23 the federal Natural Gas Act (that is, under 15 U.S.C. 717f)  
24 for the construction of a pipeline for the transportation of  
25 natural gas and (ii) desires to exercise the right of eminent  
26 domain as authorized in that Act, then the person must  
27 exercise that right in a proceeding under Article VII of the  
28 Code of Civil Procedure in the circuit court of the county in  
29 which the property to be acquired is located.

30 (Source: Laws 1951, p. 395.)

1           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
2    becoming law.