SENATE BILL NO. 444

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING A PUBLIC UTILITY TO IDENTIFY THE REAL PROPERTY ACTUALLY REQUIRED BY UTILITY INSTALLATIONS CROSSING PRIVATE PROPERTY UNDER A RIGHT-DF-MAY EASEMENT FOR WHICH NO DEFINITE LOCATION WAS IDENTIFIED AT THE TIME OF GRANT OF THE EASEMENT; AND RELEASING THE REMAINDER OF SUCH PROPERTY FROM THE EASEMENT."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Public utility grantees to identify land subject to right-of-way easements — filing — applicability. (1) Within 1 year after the date on which the purpose for which a right-of-way easement was granted to a public utility, as defined in 69-3-101, is effected or 10 years after [the effective date of this act], whichever occurs later, the public utility grantee of a right-of-way easement shall file with the county clerk and recorder of the county in which the servient tenement is located an identification of the real property actually utilized by the right-of-way easement.

(2) Upon the filing of an identification as required by subsection (1), the right-of-way easement on real property not actually utilized by that right-of-way is

extinguished.

- (3) A filing under this section must be verified and mailed by certified mail by the county clerk and recorder to the record owner of real property subject to the right-of-way easement.
- (4) The provisions of this section apply only to a right-of-way easement granted to a public utility and for which a definite right-of-way was not identified at the time the easement was granted.

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