FORTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE FIRST SESSION, 2005

March 7, 2005

Mr. Speaker:

Your JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

HOUSE BILL 903, as amended

has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it **DO PASS**, amended as follows:

1. Strike House Business and Industry Committee Amendment 1.

2. On page 4, line 2, after "given", insert ", pursuant to commission order,".

3. On page 8, line 3, after "approval" strike "for" and strike lines 4 through 6 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof:

"of an electric transmission line or associated facilities designed for or capable of operation at a nominal voltage of one hundred fifteen kilovolts or more but less than two hundred thirty kilovolts if:

(1) the public utility files an application for construction, extension, rebuilding or improvement of the electric transmission line or associated equipment under any applicable county or municipal land use statute, ordinance or administrative regulation; and

(2) the agency, board or commission of the county or municipality disapproves the application. For purposes of this subsection, "disapprove" means the failure of the county or municipal agency, board or commission to issue a final order approving the application within two hundred forty days of the public utility's filing of a complete application with the agency, board or commission. An application shall be deemed complete if within fifteen working days of the public utility's filing of the application, or a supplement or amendment thereto, the agency, board or commission fails to send written notice to the public utility enumerating the specific requirements under the applicable county or municipal land use statute, ordinance or administrative regulation that the application fails to satisfy.

I. Upon consideration of the application and the

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standards set forth in Subsection G of this section, the commission may authorize construction, extension, rebuilding or improvement of the transmission line or facilities notwithstanding the prior disapproval of the county or municipal agency, board or commission. The judgment of the commission shall be conclusive on all questions of siting, land use, aesthetics and any other state or local requirements affecting the siting.".

2. Reletter the succeeding subsections accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Cervantes, Chairman

Adopted _____(Chief Clerk)

Not Adopted _____

(Chief Clerk)

Date _____

The roll call vote was <u>9</u> For <u>0</u> Against Yes: <u>9</u> No: <u>0</u> Excused: Marquardt, Martinez Absent: None

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