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<u>Present law</u> establishes the "Right-to-Know" law to inform the public of the risks and effects of certain hazardous materials and provides for certain reporting requirements and definitions. <u>Present law</u> provides that a "facility" is the physical premises in which hazardous materials are manufactured, used, or stored, and further provides that a natural gas pipeline is a facility.

Proposed law excludes natural gas pipelines from the definition of "facility".

<u>Present law</u> provides that an "owner or operator" is an entity engaged in activities which use, manufacture, emit, or store hazardous materials in a facility. <u>Proposed law</u> excludes owners of natural gas pipelines from the definition of "owner or operator".

<u>Present law</u> provides for alternative reporting procedures for certain owners and operators of certain facilities.

<u>Proposed law</u> removes natural gas pipelines from the facilities that qualify for alternative reporting procedures.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the reporting of certain information and for penalties related to a release of natural gas from distribution lines, the threshold for which is a reportable quantity of one thousand pounds or more of natural gas.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes the reportable quantity for releases of natural gas from distribution lines <u>from</u> 1,000 pounds or more to 42,000 pounds or more.

Effective August 1, 2023.

SB 62 Engrossed

(Amends R.S. 30:2363(7) and (13), 2370(H)(2), and 2373(B)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Environmental Quality to the original bill

1. Provides for a reportable release quantity of 42,000 pounds for natural gas pipelines.