

Senator Karen Mayne proposes the following substitute bill:

RAILROAD SAFETY AMENDMENTS

2019 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Karen Mayne

House Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill enacts provisions regarding freight train crew size requirements.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ provides definitions;
- ▶ prohibits certain railroads from operating a freight train or light engine used in connection with the movement of freight unless it has a crew consisting of at least two individuals; and
- ▶ exempts the operations of a public transit district, a hostler, and a utility employee from the two individual crew requirement.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

56-1-25.5, Utah Code Annotated 1953



26 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

27 Section 1. Section **56-1-25.5** is enacted to read:

28 **56-1-25.5. Freight train crew size.**

29 (1) As used in this section:

30 (a) "Class I railroad," "class II railroad," and "class III railroad" mean the same as those
31 terms are defined in 49 U.S.C. Sec. 20102.

32 (b) "Hostler" means an individual who moves a locomotive that is not attached to rail
33 cars within a rail yard.

34 (c) "Public transit district" means a public transit district organized under Title 17B,
35 Chapter 2a, Part 8, Public Transit District Act.

36 (d) "Utility employee" means the same as that term is defined in 49 C.F.R. Sec. 218.5.

37 (2) A class I railroad, class II railroad, or class III railroad may not operate a freight
38 train or light engine used in connection with the movement of freight unless the railroad has a
39 crew consisting of at least two individuals.

40 (3) The provisions of this section do not apply to the operations of a:

41 (a) public transit district;

42 (b) hostler; or

43 (c) utility employee.