

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty - Second Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 140.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND
EIGHTY-FIVE.

AN ACT to render more effective section one hundred twenty-six of chapter fifty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to Accidents on Railroads.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives
in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section one hundred twenty-six of chapter fifty-
2 one of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended so
3 as to read as follows:

'SECT. 126. When a serious accident occurs to
5 any train on a railroad, immediate notice thereof
6 shall be given, in writing, by the officers of the
7 company operating such railroad, to the chair-
8 man of the board of railroad commissioners, who
9 shall, if he deems the public interest to require it,

10 cause an investigation to be made at once by said
11 board; and for such purpose any member of said
12 board shall have power to send for such evidence
13 as he believes necessary; and said commissioners
14 shall, in their annual report, make a full statement
15 of the cause of such accident. The expense of
16 such investigation, including witness fees, shall be
17 paid from the State Treasury on certificate of the
18 board of railroad commissioners. Witnesses in
19 all cases before said board shall be allowed the
20 same fees as in the supreme judicial court.'

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 20, 1885. }

Reported from Committee on Railroads, by Mr. THAYER; ordered
printed under joint rule.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, *Clerk.*