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The Honorable The Public Utilities Commission Augusta, Maine

## Gentlemen:

At the recent hearing on the petition of the Municipal Officers of the Town of North Yarmouth for the alteration of the grade crossing in third class highway No. 1 in said town, the question was raised as to the meaning of section 5 of Chapter 252 of the Public Laws of 1933, the title of which is "Appropriation for Abolishment of Grade Crossings Suspended."

The title and text of this Act evidently relates to the abolishment of grade crossings and not to alterations in same.

This enactment was for the purpose of preventing temporarily the expenditure by the town, the state and the railroads, of the large sums of money always necessary for the abolishment of a grade crossing and the substitution of another therefor, and did not refer to the inexpensive alteration of a grade crossing necessary for the public safety.

Very truly yours,

Deputy Attorney General

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