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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-251)
108TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 790,
L.D. 1014, Bill, "AN ACT Authorizing the Commissioner of Public
Safety to Appoint and Commission Railroad Policemen and Providing
Regulations Pertaining Thereto."

Amend the Amendment by striking out the first 2 sentences of
that part designated "§1303." and inserting in their place the
following:

'The Commissioner of Public Safety shall have the authority to
commission and rescind the commissions of all railroad police
officers in the State of Maine. The Commissioner
may commission and rescind the commissions of railroad police officers
recommended and appointed by the chief police officer, or in his
absence the chief operating officer of any railroad located wholly or
partially within the State.'

Statement of Fact

The intent of this amendment is to permit the Commissioner of
Public Safety to rescind the commissions of railroad police officers
but not to discharge them from railroad employment which is allowed
by the committee amendment to the bill. The committee amendment
therefore, infringes upon the hiring and firing powers of railroads,
and this amendment corrects that problem.

Filed by Mr. Jensen of Portland.

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