

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SIXTIETH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 96.

[NEW DRAFT.]

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section eighteen, of chapter one hundred and eighty-nine, of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, relating to railroad crossings.

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

SECTION 1. Section eighteen, of chapter one hundred and eighty-nine, of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-four, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "reasonable," in the eighth line, the following words: "or that a flagman is necessary for the public safety, at said crossing, they may order one to be stationed there upon said application, instead of gates, and" so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

10 *Sect.* 18. When the municipal officers of a town
11 deem it necessary for public safety that gates
12 should be erected across a way where it is crossed
13 by a railroad, and that a person should be appointed
14 to open and close them, they may in writing request
15 it to be done; and in case of neglect or refusal,
16 they may apply to the county commissioners to
17 decide upon its reasonableness, who, after notice
18 and hearing, are to decide. When they decide
19 that such a request is reasonable, or that a flagman
20 is necessary for the public safety at said crossing,
21 they may order one to be stationed there upon said
22 application instead of gates, and the corporation is
23 to comply with it and pay the costs. When they
24 decide otherwise the costs are to be paid by the
25 applicants.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when ap-
2 proved.

STATE OF MAINE.

In HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 22, 1881. }

Reported by Mr. GOODWIN, from Committee on Railroads,
and ordered printed under Joint Rule.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*