

#### SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

# SENATE

### NO. 146

In Senate, Feb. 28, 1919.

Reported by Senator Lord from Committee on Public Utilities and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

P. F. CRANE, Secretary.

## STATE OF MAINE

# IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND NINETEEN

AN ACT to Amend Section One of Chapter One Hundred Forty-five of the Public Laws of Maine for the Year A. D. 1917.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section 1 of chapter 145 of the public laws of the State
2 of Maine for the year A. D. 1917 is hereby amended by
3 substituting for the last sentence in said section the fol4 lowing: 'Wherever the term "signal" or "automatic signal"
5 is used in this act, same shall be construed to be an appli6 ance which gives warning of the approach of a train and
7 which is either audible and visible by day and by night, or
8 audible or visible, as may be determined by the commission,'
9 so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

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'The public utilities commission is hereby given authority 2 to require each steam railroad company operating within 3 this state to install, operate and maintain an automatic 4 signal at any highway crossing within this state, where, 5 after reasonable notice and hearing, said commission shall 6 decide that public safety requires such signal as a proper 7 measure of protection. The expense of installing, operat-8 ing and maintaining any such signal shall be borne by the 9 corporation operating the railroad passing over the cross-10 ing to be protected. Wherever the term "signal" or "auto-11 matic signal" is used in this act, same shall be construed 12 to be an appliance which gives warning of the approach 13 of a train and which is either audible and visible by day 14 and by night, or audible or visible, as may be determined 15 by the commission."

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