

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**EIGHTIETH LEGISLATURE**

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**SENATE**

**NO. 84**

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In Senate, February 25, 1921.

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

L. ERNEST THORNTON, Secretary.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND  
NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE**

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AN ACT to Amend Section Two of Chapter Fifty, Public  
Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, Relating to  
Warning Signs at Grade Crossings.

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section two of chapter fifty of the public laws of nine-  
2 teen hundred and seventeen is hereby amended by adding  
3 the following paragraph at the end of said section:

‘Such locations shall always be kept clear so that such  
2 signs shall be plainly visible, and for this purpose the mu-  
3 nicipal officers of the several towns in which such signs  
4 are located are hereby authorized and required, either upon  
5 their own motion or when requested by the public utilities  
6 commission, or by the state highway commission, from time

7 to time, to cut down, trim or remove all bushes, trees or  
8 other obstructions which may impair the view of any of  
9 such signs'; so that said section as amended shall read as  
10 follows:

'Sect. 2. Specifications and location. Such signs shall  
2 consist of a disc twenty-four inches in diameter, the field  
3 thereof to be white with a black border line one inch wide,  
4 and with black perpendicular and horizontal cross lines two  
5 and one-half inches wide; the reverse side of such disc to  
6 be colored black. In each of the upper quarterings shall  
7 appear in black the letter "R" five inches high, three and  
8 one-quarter inches wide, lines one inch stroke. Such signs  
9 shall be placed in conspicuous locations beside the highway  
10 at a distance of not less than three hundred feet from the  
11 nearest rail of such crossing unless local conditions in  
12 the judgment of the two commissions named in section one  
13 hereof make it reasonable to cause such sign to be located  
14 at a lesser distance from said nearest rail. Such locations  
15 shall always be kept clear so that such signs shall be plainly  
16 visible, and for this purpose the municipal officers of the  
17 several towns in which such signs are located are hereby  
18 authorized and required, either upon their own motion or  
19 when requested by the public utilities commission, or by  
20 the state highway commission, from time to time, to cut  
21 down, trim or remove all bushes, trees or other obstructions  
22 which may impair the view of any of such signs.'