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In Senate, January 18, 1955.

Referred to the Committee on Public Utilities, sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Silsby of Hancock.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Fair Views at Railroad Crossings.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 46, § 90, amended. Section 90 of chapter 46 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 90. Crossings designated. The Public Utilities Commission shall designate by general orders, which may be issued without formal notice or hearing, the grade crossings in this state at which, from all points on the highway or other way within ~~150~~ 300 feet of such crossings and on either side thereof measured along said highway or way, a traveler on the way carrying such crossing can have a fair view of an approaching train, engine or car continuously from the time such train, engine or car is 300 feet from such crossing until it has passed over the same, either under existing conditions or by bushes, trees, fences, signboards or encroachments being trimmed, cut down or removed, as hereinafter provided.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 46, § 91, amended. The second sentence of section 91 of chapter 46 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows: 'The authority of the commission in any order and of the municipal officers or county commissioners acting thereunder shall not extend beyond a point ~~150~~ 300 feet on either side of any such crossing measured along the highway or other way or beyond a point 300 feet on either side of any such crossing measured along the railroad right-of-way, the purpose herein being to enable a traveler on any such way, when such traveler is ~~150~~ 300 feet or less distant from any such crossing, to have a fair view of an approaching train, engine or car from one or more angles continuously from the time such train, engine or car is 300 feet from such crossing until it has passed over the same.'