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LD 2338 / HP1701

AN ACT to Give the Commissioner of Transportation Power to Condemn Existing Rail Lines for Transfer to Safe, Reliable and Efficient Rail Operators. Presented by Rep. Martin of Eagle Lake; Co-sponsored by Sen. Pray of Penobscot, Rep. Carter of Winslow, and Sen. Dutremble of York. Transportation Hearing 03/21/88. OTP-AM Accepted 04/06/88. Amended by: CA H-616. Enacted, Approved 04/20/88, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 748.

**Original Bill**

[LD 2338 \(113th Legis. 1988\)](#)

**Analyst's Summary of Bill**

[LD 2338](#)

**Committee Materials**

Joint Standing Committee on Transportation

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**New Drafts and Amendments**

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**Floor Proceedings and Debate**

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## News Articles

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- Takeover bill alive despite ICC ruling (Carrier, Paul) (Kennebec Journal, 2/19/1988) ●  
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