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131st Legislature (2022-2024)

History and Final Disposition

LD 1937 / HP1245

Original Title: An Act to Remove the Confidentiality of the Transportation of Hazardous Materials by Railroad Companies. New Title: An Act Regarding the Transportation of Hazardous Materials by Railroad Companies. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.) Presented by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary. Public Hearing 05/30/23. OTP-AM Accepted 04/09/24. Amended by: CA (Changed Title) H-912. Carried Over: 07/26/23. Final Disposition: Emergency Enacted, Emergency Signed 04/12/24, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 618.

Original Bill

[LD 1937 \(131st Legis. 2023\)](#)

Analyst's Summary of Enacted Law

[LD 1937 / PL 2023, c. 618](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary

- (Master file available on request—please include citation:cf131-LD-1937.pdf)

[Public Hearing \(Audio File\) \(JUD\) \(05/30/2023\)](#)

[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(JUD\) \(06/06/2023\)](#)

[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(JUD\) \(01/10/2024\)](#)

[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(JUD\) \(02/07/2024\)](#)

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New Drafts and Amendments

[Amendment CA \(H-912\) \(LD 1937 2024\) \(Passed\)](#)

Floor Proceedings and Debate

[HOUSE, May 16, 2023 \(H-481-497\)](#)

p. H-486

[SENATE, May 18, 2023 \(S-715-742\)](#)

p. S-716 (Remarks)

[SENATE, May 23, 2023 \(S-743-789\)](#)

p. S-788

[SENATE, July 25, 2023 \(S-1531-1592\)](#)

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[HOUSE, July 25, 2023 \(H-1153-1189\)](#)

p. H-1183

[HOUSE, April 03, 2024 \(H-1598-1615\)](#)

p. H-1613 (Amendment(s) H-912)

[HOUSE, April 09, 2024 \(H-1616-1672\)](#)

p. H-1668 (Amendment(s) H-912)

[SENATE, April 9, 2024 \(S-2199-2229\)](#)

p. S-2208 (Amendment(s) H-912)

[SENATE, April 10, 2024 \(S-2230-2263\)](#)

p. S-2262 (Amendment(s) H-912)

Enacted Law or Resolve

[PL 2023, c. 618](#)

News Articles

Maine politicians try to kill law shielding records on hazardous rail shipments (Michael Shepherd) (Bangor Daily News, 5/19/2023, p. A4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD19xx/nc131-LD-1937/BDN 230519C.pdf)

More transparency for hazardous rail cargo (Editorial) (Bangor Daily News, 5/19/2023, p. A8) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD19xx/nc131-LD-1937/BDN 230519E.pdf)

Measure that boosts access to railroad data leaves out the public (Kay Neufeld) (Portland Press Herald, 2/12/2024, p. A1, A3) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD19xx/nc131-LD-1937/PPH 240210C.pdf)

Maine expands oversight of railroads, but public data remains limited (Kay Neufeld) (Portland Press Herald, 4/17/2024, p. B1, B4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD19xx/nc131-LD-1937/PPH 240417F.pdf)

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