327G.64 Spur tracks.

1. Every railroad corporation may acquire, by condemnation or purchase, the necessary rights-of-way and may construct, connect, operate and maintain a reasonably adequate and suitable spur track if the construction and operation is not unsafe and is in the public interest.

2. Any party may make application to the department to require a railroad corporation to construct a spur track. The department shall consider the location, necessity and expense of such a track and other equitable considerations.

3. A railroad corporation or any other party may make application to the department for permission to discontinue service on or remove a spur track. The department shall consider the location, necessity and expense of maintaining such track and other equitable considerations. The department may order the railroad company to discontinue service or remove the spur track, and may allocate the cost of removal between the parties in an equitable manner.

4. Any action commenced under the provisions of subsection 2 or 3 shall be completed within one year from the effective date of the department order. The department shall make a final determination of any action commenced under subsection 2 or 3 within one year from the date of the application.

[C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §**8171;** C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, §481.3; C77, 79, 81, §327G.64; 81 Acts, ch 22, §22]