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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 125
BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
(SUCCESSOR TO SR 124)

A Resolution supporting the use of more than one crew member in freight railroad operations.

WHEREAS, if trains are operated with only one crew member, the likelihood of highway-rail grade crossings being blocked for greater periods of time will increase, thereby hindering emergency vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the use of only one employee in the locomotive will reduce the ability to protect against human error which may cause an accident; and

WHEREAS, the possibility of train collisions and impacts with highway vehicles will be increased if freight trains are allowed to operate with only one crew member; and

WHEREAS, the safety of railroad operations must be maintained at its highest level in order to protect the public; and

WHEREAS, the public will be placed at great risk if freight railroads are allowed to operate trains with only one person in the locomotive; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That no freight railroad should operate a train in Iowa with only one crew member working in the locomotive.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Jolene Molitoris, Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration.

SR. 125

SENATE RESOLUTION 125

S-5879

- 1 Amend Senate Resolution 125 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, line 29, by striking the word
- 3 "Administration." and inserting the following:
- 4 "Administration, or the successor to that position, as
- 5 appointed by the President of the United States,
- 6 William Jefferson Clinton, or his successor."

By JIM LIND

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