

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael D. Brady

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to 2-person train crew size.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Michael D. Brady

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Plymouth and Norfolk

SENATE No.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 2201 OF 2023-2024.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act relative to 2-person train crew size.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 161C of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the
2 following section:-

3 Section 8. (a) No train or light engine used in connection with the movement of freight
4 may be operated unless it has a crew consisting of at least 2 persons. For the purposes of this
5 section, “train or light engine used in connection with the movement of freight” shall not include
6 hostler service or utility employees.

7 (b) A company who willfully violates this section may be subject to a fine of: (i) not less
8 than \$250 nor more than \$1,000, for a first offense; (ii) not less than \$1,000 nor more than
9 \$5,000, for a second offense committed within 3 years; and (iii) not less than \$5,000 nor more
10 than \$10,000, for a third offense and subsequent offenses committed within 3 years.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.