## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Requires a two-person crew on trains transporting freight.

<u>Proposed law</u> prohibits the operation in this state of a railroad train or light engine used in connection with the movement of freight without a crew consisting of a minimum of two individuals.

<u>Proposed law</u> excludes hostler service or utility employees from the term "railroad train or light engine used in connection with the movement of freight".

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for the assessment of penalties for a violation of <u>proposed law</u> against a railroad or its supervisor as follows:

- (1) Not less than \$500 nor more than \$1,000 for the first violation.
- (2) Not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$5,000 for a second violation committed within a three-year period.
- (3) Not less than \$5,000 nor more than \$10,000 for a third and subsequent violation committed within a three-year period.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for enforcement by the Public Service Commission and the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, office of state police.

(Adds R.S. 45:570)