

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

3 SENATE BILL 257

By: Rogers

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to railroads; defining terms;
8 requiring certain number of crewmembers for train
9 operation; providing certain exceptions; providing
10 for codification; and providing an effective date.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

12 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
13 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 341 of Title 66, unless there is
14 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

15 A. As used in this section:

16 1. "Railroad" shall mean the same as defined in Section 1-149
17 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

18 2. "Railroad train" shall mean the same as defined in Section
19 1-151 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes Annotated.

20 B. Any railroad operating a railroad train within this state
21 shall maintain a minimum of two crewmembers in the control
22 compartment of the lead engine unit of a railroad train; provided,
23 however, such requirement shall not apply during switching
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1 operations, brake testing, safety inspections, or while performing
2 setouts in conjunction with road service.

3 C. The requirements of this section shall not apply to Class
4 III railroad corporations as defined by the United States Surface
5 Transportation Board pursuant to 49 C.F.R. Part 1201, hostler
6 services, or utility employees operating a railroad train.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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