

1 H.783

2 SHORT FORM

3 Introduced by Representatives Kupersmith of South Burlington, Lenex of

4 Shelburne and Webb of Shelburne

5 Referred to Committee on

6 Date:

7 Subject: Railroads; private grade crossings

8 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to:

9 (1) Provide that at locations where a private right-of-way crosses a  
10 railroad right-of-way at grade, owners or holders of interests in the private  
11 right-of-way shall have a permanent easement interest in crossing the railroad  
12 right-of-way.

13 (2) Require that entities which are responsible for maintaining public  
14 highway–rail grade crossings, and for installing traffic control devices at public  
15 highway–rail grade crossings, bear the same responsibilities for private  
16 highway–rail grade crossings.

17 (3) Establish and clarify the rights and responsibilities of property  
18 owners, the state, and railroads in connection with private rail–highway grade  
19 crossings, so as to ensure access and marketable title for property owners.

20 An act relating to private highway–rail grade crossings

1 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

2 (TEXT OMITTED IN SHORT-FORM BILLS)