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## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## HOUSE BILL NO. 278

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 2 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO RAILROADS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

- 1 Section 1. Amend Chapter 18, Title 2 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and
- 2 insertions as shown by underline as follows:
- 3 § 1824. Crew requirement for movement of railroad freight.
- 4 (a) Except as set forth in subsection (b) of this section, a train or light engine used in connection with the

5 movement of railroad freight may not be operated in this State unless the train or light engine has a crew of at least 2

- 6 <u>individuals.</u>
- 7 (b) This subsection does not apply to movement in a railroad yard.
- 8 (c) (1) A railroad that violates this section is subject to a fine of \$500.
- 9 (2) A railroad that commits a second or subsequent violation within a period of 3 years is subject to a fine of
- 10 <u>\$1,000 for each offense.</u>

## **SYNOPSIS**

This Act requires that a train or light engine used to move freight by railroad have a crew of at least 2 individuals. Violation of this statute subjects the railroad to a \$500 fine for a first offense, and a \$1,000 fine for a second or subsequent offense within 3 years of the first offense.