SENATE No. 2341

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:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Michael D. Brady	Second Plymouth and Norfolk	
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester	3/6/2025

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By Mr. Brady, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2341) of Michael D. Brady and Michael O. Moore for legislation relative to 2-person train crew size policy. Transportation.

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

The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

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:

- 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
- than \$10,000, for a third offense and subsequent offenses committed within 3 years.

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