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Railroads.

House File 167
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Vote: Ayes..... Nays..... Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....
Approved.....

A BILL FOR

An Act to provide for a public hearing before the state regulatory body for the authority of any railroad company operating within the boundaries of Iowa to abandon, move or change any terminal or shop.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 Section 1. Railroad shops or terminals may not be abandoned
2 except with the consent of the Iowa state commerce commission.
3 No company operating any line of railway in the state of Iowa
4 shall abandon any shop or terminal or the location thereof, ex-
5 cept as provided in this Act.

1 Sec. 2. The word "shop" or "terminal" is defined as a place
2 in which during the last three (3) years an average of twelve
3 (12) or more men have been or are employed, engaged in the re-
4 pairing of or caring for railroad equipment or are engaged in
5 any phase of railroad, train or engine service and which is lo-
6 cated in a city or village in which such men have established a
7 legal residence.

1 Sec. 3. Any such company desiring to abandon any shop or
2 terminal, or move any shop, or change the location of any termi-
3 nal in this state shall first make application to the Iowa state
4 commerce commission in writing. Before passing upon such appli-
5 cation, the Iowa state commerce commission shall order a public
6 hearing and fix a time and place thereof to be given in a
7 manner as the commission shall deem reasonable.

1 Sec. 4. In the hearing on the abandonment or removal of
2 a shop or terminal if it shall be made to appear to such
3 commission that the abandonment of any shop or terminal will
4 not substantially injure the public or be detrimental to the
5 public welfare, such consent may be granted, otherwise, the
6 same shall be denied.

1 Sec. 5. Any company violating any provisions of this Act
2 shall forfeit to the state not less than two hundred (200)
3 dollars nor more than one thousand (1,000) dollars for each
4 day such violation continues.

EXPLANATION OF HOUSE FILE 167

This bill provides that application be made to the Iowa state commerce commission in writing and approval given before a railroad in this state can abandon shops or terminals, and further provides for a public hearing thereon.