FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council 01/16/2015

Amendment to: HB 1357

1 A. **State fiscal effect:** Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.

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	2013-2015 Biennium		2015-2017 Biennium		2017-2019 Biennium			
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds		
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		

1 B. County, city, school district and township fiscal effect: Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.

	2013-2015 Biennium	2015-2017 Biennium	2017-2019 Biennium
Counties	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cities	\$0	\$0	\$0
School Districts	\$0	\$0	\$0
Townships	\$0	\$0	\$0

2 A. **Bill and fiscal impact summary:** Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).

The bill adds a new section to Chapter 49-10.1 to prohibit a railroad from operating a train or light engine without a crew of two. Bill also provides graduated civil penalties for willful violations. No fiscal impact.

B. **Fiscal impact sections**: Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.

The main focus of the bill is to place a mandate on railroads. The PSC is impacted only to enforce violations. Any penalties assessed would be deposited into the general fund. There is no way to estimate fiscal impact because there is no way to anticipate if there will be any violations or what type of violations there might be.

- 3. State fiscal effect detail: For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:
 - A. **Revenues:** Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.

The only revenue generated would be from assessing civil penalties. Any penalties assessed would be deposited into the general fund. There is no way to anticipate if there will be any violations or what type of violations there might be, so no fiscal impact on revenues can be estimated.

B. **Expenditures:** Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.

The only expenditures would relate to enforcing violations. There is no way to anticipate if there will be any violations or what type of violations there might be, so no fiscal impact on expenditures can be estimated.

C. **Appropriations:** Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation or a part of the appropriation is included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.

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