

# SENATE NO. 2111

## **AN ACT** TO REQUIRE CERTAIN SAFETY DEVICES IN THE CONTROLLING COMPARTMENT OF ALL RAILROAD LOCOMOTIVES OPERATED WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled,  
And by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Chapter One Hundred and Sixty of the General laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
2 Section 176A the following new section:

3 Section 176B. Every railroad corporation and railway company shall equip the controlling cab  
4 compartment of every locomotive, engine, and control car with a safety device generally known as an  
5 alerter, a deadman control, or any similar feature which assures that the locomotive engineer is alert or  
6 not physically incapacitated. Such safety devices provide visual or audible warning alarms to the  
7 locomotive engineer and will apply the locomotive and train brakes in the event the locomotive  
8 engineer is incapacitated. The department shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the  
9 implementation and enforcement of this section.