



1997 ASSEMBLY BILL 35

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1 **AN ACT to create** 192.25 of the statutes; **relating to:** the minimum number of
2 persons required on train crews, granting rule-making authority and
3 providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law establishes minimum qualifications for railroad train conductors and flagmen, but does not establish a minimum number of personnel necessary to compose a train crew. This bill prohibits any railroad train or locomotive from operating between terminals in this state unless the crew consists of at least 2 persons. The bill authorizes the office of the commissioner of railroads to grant exceptions that will not endanger life or property.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

4 **SECTION 1.** 192.25 of the statutes is created to read:
5 **192.25 Railroad train crews.** (1) No person operating or controlling any
6 railroad, as defined in s. 85.01 (5), may allow the operation of any railroad train or
7 locomotive between terminals in this state unless the railroad train or locomotive has
8 a crew of at least 2 individuals.

