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6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Section 102 of Title 66 of the Pennsylvania  
9 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a definition to read:

10 § 102. Definitions.

11 Subject to additional definitions contained in subsequent  
12 provisions of this part which are applicable to specific  
13 provisions of this part, the following words and phrases when  
14 used in this part shall have, unless the context clearly  
15 indicates otherwise, the meanings given to them in this section:

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17 "Class I railroad." As classified under 49 CFR Pt. 1201  
18 (relating to railroad companies).

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1 Section 2. Title 66 is amended by adding a section to read:

2 § 2710. Operating railroad locomotives in reverse.

3 (a) General rule.--No Class I railroad operating in this  
4 Commonwealth may operate a railroad locomotive in reverse or  
5 backup position on any main line or secondary line unless one of  
6 the following applies:

7 (1) When an emergency exists.

8 (2) While performing switching operations.

9 (3) Where the railroad locomotive is engaged in the  
10 transportation of passengers.

11 (b) Penalty.--Any railroad that violates this section shall  
12 be subject to a fine of \$1,000 for each violation.

13 (c) Regulation.--The commission shall promulgate the rules  
14 and regulations necessary for the implementation of this  
15 section.

16 (d) Enforcement.--The commission shall enforce this section  
17 and may issue orders as may be proper to require compliance with  
18 this section.

19 (e) Definitions.--As used in this section, the phrase  
20 "operate a railroad locomotive in reverse or backup position"  
21 means to operate a railroad locomotive such that the smokestack  
22 or diesel vent is in front of the operator when the operator  
23 faces the track ahead.

24 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.