

# HOUSE BILL No. 1140

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 8-6-7.5-2.5.

**Synopsis:** Railroad crossings. Requires a railroad corporation to inform the local law enforcement authority of a blocked railroad-highway grade crossing in certain instances.

**Effective:** July 1, 2023.

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January 10, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning transportation.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 8-6-7.5-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2023]: **Sec. 2.5. (a) As used in this section, "emergency responder  
4 agency" means the following:**  
5 (1) **A fire department established under IC 36-8-2-3.**  
6 (2) **A volunteer fire department (as defined in IC 36-8-12-2).**  
7 (3) **A law enforcement agency of a political subdivision.**  
8 (4) **An emergency medical services agency of a political  
9 subdivision.**  
10 (b) **A railroad corporation shall notify the local law enforcement  
11 authority (as defined in IC 11-8-8-2) having jurisdiction over the  
12 area of the applicable railroad-highway grade crossing each time  
13 a train, railroad car, or engine will obstruct public travel at a  
14 railroad-highway grade crossing for a period in excess of ten (10)  
15 minutes.**  
16 (c) **A notice described under subsection (b) must include the  
17 approximate time that the railroad-highway grade crossing will be**



1 cleared.  
2 (d) When a local law enforcement authority receives a notice  
3 from a railroad corporation under subsection (b), the local law  
4 enforcement authority must notify as soon as practicable any  
5 emergency responder agency that serves the area of the applicable  
6 railroad-highway grade crossing.

