

2478-S

Sponsor(s): House Committee on Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Schoesler, Honeyford, Sump and Sheahan)

Brief Title: Establishing minimum management and operation requirements for railroad corridors acquired for trail use.

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Finds that state agencies have acquired railroad corridors under the national trails system act to preserve these unique and valuable corridors for future railroad use and possible future utility corridors. The legislature also finds that such railroad corridors are surrounded by privately owned properties, or contain easements across privately owned properties, and that, because the operation of the corridors can significantly affect these properties, certain operation standards should be implemented to serve the citizens of the state adequately. The purpose of this act is to establish minimum requirements for the management and operation of such corridors in order to protect privately owned property.