

HOUSE No. 39.

[Bill accompanying the petition of Edward H. Keith. Street Railways.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred.

AN ACT

To require Street Railway Companies to inclose the Platforms of Cars during Certain Months of the Year.

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. All street cars, purchased, built
2 or rebuilt by any street railway company or in
3 use after the first day of October in the year
4 nineteen hundred, for the transportation of pas-
5 sengers, shall, during the months of January,
6 February, March, October, November and Decem-
7 ber, have their platforms inclosed in such a man-
8 ner as to protect the motormen, conductors or
9 other employees operating the cars from exposure

10 to wind and weather; *provided*, that the platforms
11 shall be so inclosed as not to obstruct the sight of
12 the said employees or to endanger the manage-
13 ment of the cars.

1 SECTION 2. The term "car" as used herein
2 includes all street cars operated by steam, cable
3 or electricity which require, while in motion, the
4 constant service of an employee upon the plat-
5 forms or upon one of the platforms. The term
6 "company" as used herein includes any corpora-
7 tion, partnership or person owning or operating a
8 street railway.

1 SECTION 3. Any street railway company which
2 fails to comply with the provisions of this act
3 shall be fined not more than one hundred nor less
4 than fifty dollars for each day during which such
5 failure continues.

1 SECTION 4. The superintendent or manager
2 of any street railway, and any other officer or
3 agent thereof, who causes or permits the violation
4 of this act shall be jointly and severally liable
5 with the company employing him to the fine
6 hereinbefore imposed, and in default of payment
7 may be committed to jail until his fine is paid:
8 *provided*, that he shall not be so committed for a
9 period longer than three months.

1 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect on the
2 first day of October in the year nineteen hundred.