

HOUSE No. 120.

[Bill accompanying the petition of the East Taunton Street Railway Company for legislation to authorize it to construct its tracks across the Old Colony Railroad on Middleborough avenue in the city of Taunton. Street Railways. January 16].

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and One.
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AN ACT

To authorize the East Taunton Street Railway Company to construct its Railway at Grade across the Tracks of the Old Colony Railroad in Taunton.

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. The East Taunton Street Railway
2 Company, a corporation established under the laws
3 of this Commonwealth, is hereby authorized to
4 construct its railway across the track of the Old
5 Colony Railroad, now operated under lease by
6 the New York, New Haven and Hartford Rail-
7 road Company, at the same level with said track,

8 at Chace's crossing, so called, on Middleborough
9 avenue, in the city of Taunton. The foregoing
10 authority is granted, however, subject to the fol-
11 lowing restrictions and regulations, namely: First,
12 Said railway company shall construct but one
13 street railway track across said railroad at grade
14 at said Chace's crossing on Middleborough
15 avenue. Second, The said grade crossing shall
16 be constructed and maintained by and at the cost
17 of said street railway company, in such manner,
18 with frogs or other devices, as is satisfactory to
19 said railroad company; or, if the parties do not
20 agree in regard thereto, in such manner as is from
21 time to time, after notice and hearing, prescribed
22 by the Board of Railroad Commissioners. Third,
23 Said street railway company, in addition to the
24 other safeguards and precautions required by law
25 or rule, shall at its own cost station at said grade
26 crossing, during all that portion of each day and
27 night within which it runs cars over said crossing,
28 a competent and reliable man whose business it
29 shall be to see that said crossing and the over-
30 head electric construction at and near the same
31 are at all times in good working condition and
32 repair, to keep himself informed of the running
33 time of trains and whether any train is overdue,
34 and to watch for and give warning of any ap-
35 proaching or expected engine or train; and no
36 railway car shall cross or begin to cross said rail-
37 road except when and as he shall direct. Fourth,
38 The foregoing restrictions and regulations may
39 be from time to time changed or modified or such

40 other safeguards may be required as the board
41 of railroad commissioners may, after notice and
42 hearing, adjudge to be reasonable and necessary
43 on the ground of the public convenience and
44 safety.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.

