

HOUSE No. 628

Bill accompanying the petition (taken from the files of last year) of the selectmen of the town of Southbridge for legislation to require or authorize the intervention of the Southern New England Railroad Corporation in proceedings for the abolition of certain grade crossings in said town. Street Railways. January 11.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventeen.

AN ACT

Relative to the Intervention of the Southern New England Railroad Corporation in the Proceedings for the Abolition of Certain Grade Crossings in the Town of Southbridge.

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 Southern New England Railroad
2 Corporation may, by intervention, at any time within
3 thirty days from the time when this act takes effect,
4 become a party to the petition of the selectmen of South-
5 bridge, pending in the superior court for the county of
6 Worcester, for the abolition of the crossings at grade of
7 certain public ways known as Hook street, Central street
8 and Foster street in said town with the railroad of the
9 New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company;

10 and if at the expiration of said thirty days said Southern
11 New England Railroad Corporation shall not have be-
12 come a party to said proceedings by intervention as
13 aforesaid, the superior court for the county of Worcester
14 aforesaid may, upon motion of any party of record in
15 said case, order that said Southern New England Railroad
16 Corporation shall be and become a party to said proceed-
17 ings on or before a day named in said order, and shall
18 thereupon cause notice of such order to be given to said
19 Southern New England Railroad Corporation. If after
20 the said Southern New England Railroad Corporation
21 has been made a party to said proceedings as aforesaid
22 the commission appointed by the court upon said petition
23 shall decide that the abolition of said crossings at grade
24 is necessary said commission shall equitably apportion
25 between the New York, New Haven and Hartford Rail-
26 road Company and the Southern New England Railroad
27 Corporation such part of the total actual cost of the
28 alterations ordered, to be determined in accordance with
29 the provisions of law in that behalf made and provided,
30 as said railroad corporations are required to bear and pay.

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

