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Short Title: Safe Walkways for Railroad Workers. (Public)

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Sponsors: Representatives Goodwin, Coates, and Rapp (Primary Sponsors).

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Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ADOPT  
RULES REQUIRING SAFE WALKWAYS FOR RAILROAD WORKERS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Article 15 of Chapter 136 of the General Statutes is amended  
by adding a new section to read:

**"§ 136-99. Safe walkways for railroad workers.**

The Department of Transportation shall adopt rules requiring safe walkways for  
railroad workers in areas in which work is regularly performed on the ground. These  
rules shall include, at a minimum, a requirement that any walkway:

- (1) Have a reasonably uniform surface;
- (2) Be maintained in a safe condition;
- (3) Be reasonably free of obstacles, debris, and other hazards; and
- (4) Be limited in the size of ballast used on the walkway."

**SECTION 2.** The Department of Transportation shall adopt temporary rules  
and initiate permanent rule making to implement Section 1 of this act within 90 days of  
the date this act becomes law.

**SECTION 3.** The act is effective when it becomes law.