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Railroad Crossings

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SECTION 1. The commissioner of highways is authorized to designate which grade crossings of any railroad or interurban railway in any county of this state having a population of not less than 60,000 nor more than 60,100 according to the U.S. Census of Population of 1960, or any subsequent U.S. Census of Population, shall be protected by crossing signals and to determine whether or not the crossing meets eligibility requirements for participation in federal funds for railroad crossing protection. If any such crossing is found to be eligible for federal participation in crossing protection, the commissioner shall request federal funds for the erection of appropriate signaling devices at the crossing and if such funds are secured the costs of such installation shall be borne according to the rules and regulations of the U.S. Bureau of Public Roads. If federal participation in the crossing protection cannot be obtained, the state shall pay one-third (1/3) of the costs, the county (or city, if the crossing is inside the corporate boundaries of a municipality) shall be required to pay one-third (1/3), and the railroad company or companies shall be required to pay one-third (1/3).

As amended by: Private Acts of 1969, Chapter 116

SECTION 2. This Act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of the quarterly county court of Anderson County at or before the next regular meeting of the court occurring more than thirty (30) days after its approval by the governor. Its approval or non-approval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the court and certified by him to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect for the purpose of ratifying it as provided in Section 2, upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: May 23, 1967

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