



General Assembly

January Session, 2025

Proposed Bill No. 5348

LCO No. 1838



Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION

Introduced by:

REP. BOLINSKY, 106th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING A RAILROAD CROSSING FOR PEDESTRIANS
AND BICYCLISTS TO CROSS THE HOUSATONIC RAILROAD AT
GRADE.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

- 1 That (1) the Department of Transportation install a railroad crossing
- 2 for pedestrians and bicyclists, but not persons operating motorized
- 3 vehicles, to cross the Housatonic Railroad at grade, (2) the cost of such
- 4 installation and maintenance of the railroad crossing shall be borne by
- 5 the town of Newtown, and (3) section 52-557 of the general statutes be
- 6 amended to redefine "recreational purpose" to include using such
- 7 railroad crossing and redefine "owner" to include the Housatonic
- 8 Railroad and its successors.

Statement of Purpose:

To allow pedestrians and bicyclists to cross the Housatonic Railroad at
grade and include the Housatonic Railroad as owners of land entitled to
immunity under the Recreational Lane Use Act.