

Mr. Benson, from Committee on Corporations, reported favorably, with amendments,

House bill, File No. 68, entitled "An Act to limit the hours of service of certain employees engaged in operating any railroad in this state, and making it unlawful for any person, corporation or association to permit such employees to be on duty for more than eight hours in any twenty-four consecutive hours."

AMENDMENTS PROPOSED.

Strike out in section 1, all after the words, "Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland," and insert in lieu thereof, "that it shall be unlawful for any person, corporation or association operating a railroad within this State, to permit any telegraph operator who spaces trains by use of the telegraph under what is known and termed 'Block System,' (defined as follows:) Reporting trains to each other, registering the same and operating one or more train order signals, and telegraph lever men who manipulate lever machines in railroad yards or on the main tracks out on the line, connecting side tracks or switches, or train dispatchers in its services; whose duties pertain to the movement of cars, engines or trains on its railroad by the use of the telegraph in displacing or reporting trains or receiving or transmitting train orders, as interpreted in this section, to be on duty for more than eight hours in any twenty-four consecutive hours; provided however, that this Act shall not apply to persons acting in the capacity of agents for the purpose of receiving and receipting for freights and delivering the same, or for the purpose of selling tickets to passengers."

Strike out the word "five" in line 2 of section 2, between the words "of" and "hundred," and insert the word "one."

Which was adopted.

Insert in line 2, of section 4, after the word "what-ever," "one-half thereof."

Which was adopted.