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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 323, L.D. 484, Bill, “An Act Regarding the Confidentiality of Railroad Carrier Cargo”

Amend the bill in section 3 by striking out all of paragraph U (page 1, lines 14 to 16 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'U. Records provided by a railroad company describing hazardous materials transported by the railroad company in this State, the routes of hazardous materials shipments and the frequency of hazardous materials operations on those routes that are in the possession of a state or local emergency management entity or law enforcement agency, a fire department or other first responder. For the purposes of this paragraph, "hazardous material" has the same meaning as set forth in 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 105.5.'

SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies that the exception to the definition of "public record" proposed in the bill is limited to records provided by a railroad company that describe hazardous materials that are transported by the railroad company, the routes of the hazardous materials shipments and the frequency of the hazardous materials operations on those routes when those records are in the possession of state or local emergency management entities or law enforcement agencies, fire departments or other first responders. The amendment also provides that "hazardous material" has the same definition as in 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 105.5.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT