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2D SESSION

H. R. 8598

To direct the Secretary of Transportation to issue certain regulations to define the term “classroom” for the purposes of parts 240 and 242 of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 29, 2022

Mr. BALDERSON (for himself, Mr. CRAWFORD, and Mr. GIBBS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Rail Employee Train-
5 ing Modernization Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENT OF DEFINITIONS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
8 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transpor-

1 tation shall issue such regulations as are necessary to de-
2 fine the term “classroom” for the purposes of parts 240
3 and 242 of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, to mean
4 a physical or virtual space where training is provided by
5 a qualified instructor.

6 (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this Act
7 may be construed as intending to amend any certification
8 requirements, including the length of classroom training,
9 materials provided or covered in classroom training, or ad-
10 ditional training requirements outside classroom training,
11 including simulator, computer-based, correspondence, on-
12 the-job training, or other formal training.

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