

State law authorizes the CPUC to amend or revise the list of local safety hazardous sites from the immediate prior year as necessary; however, the CPUC has not done so.

This bill requires the CPUC to review the list of local safety hazardous sites and determine whether changes in conditions, operations or safety data warrant the removal, modification or addition of any railroad site. According to the author, there are “thousands of incidents occurring annually across the nation's extensive rail network” and, by requiring a review of local safety hazardous sites, this bill will enhance safety by “providing insight into how California can improve rail safety in the highest-risk corridors.”

The committee is aware of neither support for nor opposition against this bill.

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