

BOB CASEY'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR **IBEW MEMBERS**



RAILROAD

»»» Casey cosponsored the Railway Safety Act of 2023 to ensure safety for IBEW railroaders that would:

- Enhance safety procedures including:
 - New requirements for all trains carrying hazardous materials (not just high-hazard flammables)
 - Emergency response plans and advance notifications
- Prevent wheel bearing failures including updates to FRA regulations for inspections
- Mandate 2-person crews
- Increase penalties for safety violations including:
 - Raises max fine for violations
 - Support for impacted communities
- Invest in safety improvements
 - Allocate \$27 million for research and development
- Require qualified mechanical inspectors to perform routine inspections, which secures IBEW work
 - Ensure locomotive inspectors have the appropriate training and skills

»»» Fighting for unemployment benefits for IBEW railroaders

- Cosponsored common sense, bipartisan REEF Act that:
 - Aims to permanently exempt railroad unemployment insurance account payments from sequestration (automatic spending reductions for budget reasons)
 - Will protect railroad unemployment and sickness benefits that workers have been deprived of for a decade



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