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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

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Sen Gordon Vance
PO Box 201706
Helena, MT 59620-1706

Dear Sen,

Thank you for contacting me about H.R. 1748. I appreciate your thoughts on this issue. Your input is important to me.

Current law requires one certified locomotive engineer to operate a freight train. After several train accidents, some argue that one person is not enough to operate a train safely. Railway companies say that advancements in safety technology allow for one-man crews.

On March 13, 2019, Representative Don Young (R-AK) introduced H.R. 1748. The bill prohibits the operation of a freight train unless it has a crew of at least two people including a certified locomotive operator and train conductor. H.R. 1748 has been referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. If this bill comes for a vote in the House, I will keep your thoughts in mind.

Thank you again for getting in touch. Hearing from you and other Montanans allows me to better understand your perspective. As your representative in Congress, I will continue to rely on your views to be a strong voice for Montana. I invite you to visit my website at gianforte.house.gov to sign up for my newsletter, learn more about current legislation, and see what I am working on for Montana. If I can help you or your family, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Gianforte', written over a white background.

Greg Gianforte
Member of Congress