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To enact section 4955.50 of the Revised Code to 1  
require railroad companies to install and maintain 2  
reflective banners on all hand-thrown switches and 3  
derails that connect with main track line. 4

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That section 4955.50 of the Revised Code be 5  
enacted to read as follows: 6

**Sec. 4955.50.** (A) Every railroad company that maintains 7  
railroad tracks within this state shall install and maintain 8  
reflective banners on all hand-thrown switches and derails that 9  
connect with main track line. Each banner shall be clearly visible 10  
from the operator's position on an approaching locomotive so as to 11  
serve as a warning to the operator of the presence of a 12  
hand-thrown switch or derail. 13

(B) No railroad company that maintains railroad tracks within 14  
this state shall fail to comply with division (A) of this section. 15

(C) A railroad company that violates division (B) of this 16  
section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor for every reflective 17  
banner that is not properly installed or maintained on a 18  
hand-thrown switch or derail as required by division (A) of this 19

section.

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