

SENATE BILL 1330

By Norris

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55,
relative to proof of financial responsibility.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-12-102, is amended by deleting subdivision (12)(D) and substituting instead the following:

(D)

(i) If proof is required after December 31, 2008, but prior to January 1, 2012, proof means:

(a) A written proof of liability insurance coverage provided by a single limit policy with a limit of not less than sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) applicable to one (1) accident;

(b) A split-limit policy with a limit of not less than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for bodily injury to or death of one (1) person, not less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for bodily injury to or death of two (2) or more persons in any one (1) accident, and not less than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for damage to property in any one (1) accident;

(c) A deposit of cash with the commissioner in the amount of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000); or

(d) The execution and filing of a bond with the commissioner in the amount of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000);

(ii) An insured holding a policy that complies with the insurance requirements of the financial responsibility law on December 31, 2008, will not be deemed to be in

violation of the law if the policy meets the limits specified in subdivision (12)(D)(i) as of the first renewal after December 31, 2008;

(E)

(i) If proof is required after January 1, 2012, proof means:

(a) A written proof of liability insurance coverage provided by a single limit policy with a limit of not less than sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) applicable to one (1) accident, or if the person has two (2) or more convictions under Section 55-10-401 or Section 55-10-415, the limit shall be not less than one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000);

(b) A split-limit policy with a limit of not less than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for bodily injury to or death of one (1) person, not less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for bodily injury to or death of two (2) or more persons in any one (1) accident, and not less than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for damage to property in any one (1) accident, or if the person has two (2) or more convictions under Section 55-10-401 or Section 55-10-415, the limit shall be not less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for bodily injury to or death of one (1) person, not less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for bodily injury to or death of two (2) or more persons in any one (1) accident, and not less than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for damage to property in any one (1) accident;

(c) A deposit of cash with the commissioner in the amount of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000), or if the person has two (2) or more convictions under Section 55-10-401 or Section 55-10-415, the amount shall be one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000); or

(d) The execution and filing of a bond with the commissioner in the amount of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000), or if the person has two (2) or more

convictions under Section 55-10-401 or Section 55-10-415, the amount shall be one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000);

(ii) An insured holding a policy that complies with the insurance requirements of the financial responsibility law on January 1, 2012, will not be deemed to be in violation of the law if the policy meets the limits specified in subdivision (12)(E)(i) as of the first renewal after January 1, 2012;

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.