

HOUSE BILL 2088  
By West

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 56 and Title 64, Chapter 2, relative to railroad authorities.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 64, Chapter 2, is amended by adding a new section thereto, as follows:

Section \_\_\_\_\_. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, except as provided in subsection (b), all railroad authorities created pursuant to this chapter shall be immune from suit for any injury which may result from the activities of any passenger rail service under their supervision and control.

(b)(1) No railroad authority shall be immune for claims for bodily injuries or death of persons resulting from any one (1) accident where such claims, in the aggregate, do not exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).

(2) This section shall not apply to any action brought by an employee under the workers' compensation law of Tennessee.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 56, Part 2, is amended by adding a new section thereto, as follows:

Section \_\_\_\_\_. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, except as provided in subsection (b), all railroad authorities created pursuant to this chapter shall be immune from suit for any injury which may result from the activities of any passenger rail service under their supervision and control.

(b)(1) No railroad authority shall be immune for claims for bodily injuries or death of persons resulting from any one (1) accident where such claims, in the aggregate, do not exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).

(2) This section shall not apply to any action brought by an employee under the workers' compensation law of Tennessee.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1996, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to all accidents occurring after such date.