THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY SCOTT, PROBST, HILL-EVANS, SANCHEZ AND
D. WILLIAMS, JULY 23, 2025

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE, JULY 23, 2025

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania
2   Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further
3   providing for definitions; and, in powers and duties, further
4   providing for power of commission to require insurance.

5   The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

6 hereby enacts as follows:

7   Section 1. Section 102 of Title 66 of the Pennsylvania

8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding definitions to read:

9 § 102. Definitions.

10   Subject to additional definitions contained in subsequent

11 provisions of this part which are applicable to specific

12 provisions of this part, the following words and phrases when

13 used in this part shall have, unless the context clearly

14 indicates otherwise, the meanings given to them in this section:

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16   "Tow truck operator." A person performing towing in this

17 Commonwealth, including the owner or operator of towing

18 equipment.

19   "Towing." As follows:

1   (1) As defined in the act of July 5, 2012 (P.L.990,

2   No.110), known as the Towing and Towing Storage Facility

3   Standards Act.

4   (2) The term includes the moving, removing or recovery

5   of a wrecked, abandoned or disabled motor vehicle.

6   (3) The term includes the moving of a vehicle to or from

7   an auction.

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9   Section 2. Section 512 of Title 66 is amended to read:

10   § 512. Power of commission to require insurance.

11   (a) Authorization.--The commission may, as to motor carriers

12   and tow truck operators, prescribe, by regulation or order, such

13   requirements as it may deem necessary for the protection of

14   persons or property of their patrons and the public, including

15   the filing of surety bonds, the carrying of insurance, or the

16   qualifications and conditions under which such carriers may act

17   as self-insurers with respect to such matters.

18   (b) Motor carriers.--All motor carriers shall cover each and

19   every vehicle with a public liability insurance policy or a

20   surety bond issued by an insurance carrier or a bonding company

21   authorized to do business in this Commonwealth to provide for

22   the payment of valid accident claims against the insured for

23   bodily injury to or the death of persons, or the loss or damage

24   to property of others resulting from the operation, maintenance

25   or use of a motor vehicle in the insured authorized service in

26   such amounts as the commission may prescribe, but not less than

27   $750,000 for any one accident.

28   (c) Tow truck operators.--All tow truck operators shall

29   cover each and every vehicle with a public liability insurance

30   policy or a surety bond issued by an insurance carrier or a

1 <u>bonding company authorized to do business in this Commonwealth</u>

2 <u>to provide for the payment of valid accident claims against the</u>

3 <u>insured for bodily injury to or the death of persons, or the</u>

4 <u>loss or damage to property of others resulting from the</u>

5 <u>operation, maintenance or use of a motor vehicle in the insured</u>

6 <u>authorized service, in such amounts as the commission may</u>

7 <u>prescribe, but not less than $750,000 for any one accident.</u>

8 <u>(d) Motor carriers of passengers.--</u>All motor carriers of

9 passengers, whose current liquid assets do not exceed their

10 current liabilities by at least $100,000, shall cover each and

11 every vehicle, transporting such passengers, with a public

12 liability insurance policy or a surety bond issued by an

13 insurance carrier or a bonding company authorized to do business

14 in this Commonwealth, in such amounts as the commission may

15 prescribe, but not less than $5,000 for one and $10,000 for more

16 than one person injured in any one accident.

17 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.