



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 260

SENATE BILL NO. 394

By Jackson

Substituted for: House Bill No. 391

By Garrett

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 1; Title 8, Chapter 19 and Title 8, Chapter 8, relative to insurance policies.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-19-101(e)(2)(B), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(B)(i) A policy or agreement satisfying the requirements set forth in subdivision (e)(2)(A) shall be deemed to be a blanket official bond for each official or office identified in the policy or agreement for all purposes under this chapter. The officials who may be covered under the policy or agreement include the following:

- (a) County mayors, pursuant to § 5-6-109;
- (b) County directors of accounts and budgets, pursuant to § 5-13-103;
- (c) County purchasing agents, pursuant to § 5-14-103(c);
- (d) County finance directors, pursuant to § 5-21-109;
- (e) Board members, executive committee members, employees, officers, and other authorized persons of an emergency communications district who handle public funds, pursuant to § 7-86-119;
- (f) Sheriffs, pursuant to § 8-8-103;
- (g) Special deputies appointed by a sheriff, pursuant to § 8-8-303;
- (h) Coroners, pursuant to § 8-9-103;
- (i) County trustees, pursuant to §§ 8-11-102 and 8-11-103;
- (j) County surveyors, pursuant to § 8-12-102;
- (k) County registers, pursuant to §§ 8-13-101 - 103;
- (l) County officials with the authority to administer state-shared funds, pursuant to § 9-3-301(c);
- (m) Board members, executive committee members, employees, officers, and other authorized persons of a development district who handle public funds, pursuant to § 13-14-114;
- (n) Board members, policy council members, employees, officers, and other authorized persons of a human resource agency who handle public funds, pursuant to § 13-26-110;

(o) Clerks of court and county clerks, pursuant to §§ 18-2-201 - 18-2-213;

(p) County directors of schools, pursuant to § 49-2-102;

(q) Treasurers or fiscal agents of local education agencies, pursuant to § 49-3-315(b)(3);

(r) Persons who administer county highway and bridge funds, pursuant to § 54-4-103(c);

(s) Chief administrative officers of county highway departments, pursuant to § 54-7-108;

(t) County road commissioners, pursuant to § 54-9-119;

(u) County road engineers, pursuant to § 54-9-132; and

(v) County assessors of property, pursuant to § 67-1-505.

(ii) In the event that the policy of insurance maintained by the county ceases to provide coverage to the officeholder for any reason, the officeholder has thirty (30) days from the date of termination of coverage to file a bond or other proof of insurance coverage.

(iii) A certificate of insurance or a policy or endorsement shall satisfy the requirement for the filing of the official bond by the named officials.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-8-303(a), is amended by deleting the language:

but to an extent not in excess of the amount of the surety bond executed for that county's sheriff pursuant to § 8-8-103.

and substituting instead the following:

but to an extent not in excess of the minimum amount required for a surety bond applicable to that county's sheriff pursuant to § 8-8-103. This cap, based on the amount required for a bond, shall apply regardless of whether the sheriff is covered by a surety bond or an insurance policy pursuant to § 8-19-101.

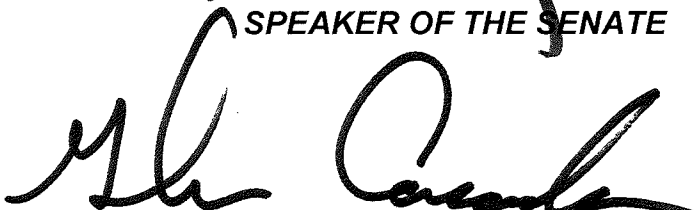
SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 17, 2019



RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



GLEN CASADA, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 30th day of April 2019



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR