

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to motor carriers; changing certain financial liability requirements for
1.3 charitable organizations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 221.141,
1.4 subdivision 1.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 221.141, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Financial responsibility of carriers.** (a) No motor carrier and no
1.8 interstate carrier shall operate a vehicle until it has obtained and has in effect the minimum
1.9 amount of financial responsibility required by this section. Policies of insurance, surety
1.10 bonds, other types of security, and endorsements must be continuously in effect and must
1.11 remain in effect until canceled. Before providing transportation, the motor carrier or
1.12 interstate carrier shall secure and cause to be filed with the commissioner and maintain in
1.13 full effect, a certificate of insurance in a form required by the commissioner, evidencing
1.14 public liability insurance in the amount prescribed. The insurance must cover injuries and
1.15 damage to persons or property resulting from the operation or use of motor vehicles,
1.16 regardless of whether each vehicle is specifically described in the policy. This insurance
1.17 does not apply to injuries or death to the employees of the motor carrier or to property
1.18 being transported by the carrier.

1.19 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the insurance required of
1.20 a motor carrier of passengers must be at least that amount required of interstate carriers
1.21 under Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, section 387.33, as amended.

1.22 (c) This section does not apply to a charitable organization exempt from taxation
1.23 under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code when the transportation furthers

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- 2.1 the charitable organization's charitable mission. The charitable organization must comply
- 2.2 with the insurance requirements of section 65B.48.