

CHAPTER 289

H.B. No. 390

AN ACT

relating to exemption from the requirement that drivers have certain automobile liability insurance before operating a motor vehicle in Texas.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 1A, Texas Motor Vehicle Safety-Responsibility Act (Article 6701h, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), as amended by Chapters 436, 535, and 797, Acts of the 68th Legislature, Regular Session, 1983, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The following vehicles are exempt from the requirement of Subsection (a) of this section:

- (1) vehicles exempt by Section 33 of this Act;
- (2) any vehicles for which the title is held in the name of a volunteer fire department;
- (3) vehicles for which a bond is on file with the Department as provided by Section 24 of this Act, or for which a certificate has been obtained from the State Treasurer stating that the owner and/or operator has deposited with the State Treasurer Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000) in cash or securities as provided by Section 25 of this Act. Such bond or deposit may be filed in lieu of carrying automobile liability insurance where proof is required;
- (4) vehicles that are self-insured under Section 34 of this Act;
- ~~[(5) vehicles that are both registered to and operated by persons who are not residents of this State, except for those vehicles that are primarily operated in this State; and]~~
- (5) ~~[(6)]~~ implements of husbandry; and
- (6) *vehicles for which a valid certificate certifying that cash or a cashier's check in the amount of at least Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000) is deposited with the county judge of the county in which the vehicle is registered has been:*
 - (A) *issued by the county judge and acknowledged by the sheriff of that county; and*
 - (B) *filed with the Department.*

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 1987, and applies to all motor vehicles operated in this state on and after that date.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

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Passed by the House on April 30, 1987, by a non-record vote; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 390 on May 31, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 30, 1987, by a viva-voce vote.

Approved June 11, 1987.

Effective Sept. 1, 1987.