

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 851

By: Senators D. Johnson, J. Hutchinson

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE REQUIRED AMOUNT OF MOTOR
VEHICLE LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR PUBLIC TRANSIT
AUTHORITIES TRANSPORTING THE GENERAL PUBLIC; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO INCREASE THE REQUIRED AMOUNT OF MOTOR
VEHICLE LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR PUBLIC
TRANSIT AUTHORITIES TRANSPORTING THE
GENERAL PUBLIC.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-334-104 is amended to read as follows:
14-334-104. Authority as public corporation.

(a) ~~Each An authority, when created, and the members thereof, shall constitute~~ created under this subchapter is a public corporation and, as such, shall have with perpetual succession, that may contract and be contracted with, may sue and be sued, and may have and use a common seal.

(b) The exercise of the powers and performance of duties provided for in this chapter by ~~each~~ an authority are declared to be public and governmental functions, exercised for a public purpose and matters of public necessity, conferring upon ~~each~~ an authority governmental immunity from suit in tort except to the extent of its motor vehicle liability insurance coverage under subsection (c) of this section.

(c) An authority that transports members of the general public for compensation shall maintain for each motor vehicle owned, leased, or



otherwise used by the authority to transport members of the general public for compensation:

(1) Motor vehicle liability insurance of:

(A) Not less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for bodily injury or death of one (1) person in any one (1) accident;

(B) Not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for bodily injury or death of two (2) or more persons in any one (1) accident; and

(C) If the accident results in damage to or destruction of property, not less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for the damage to or destruction of property of others in any one (1) accident; and

(2) Uninsured motorist liability insurance of:

(A) Not less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for bodily injury or death of one (1) person in any one (1) accident; and

(B) Not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for bodily injury or death of two (2) or more persons in any one (1) accident.

/s/D. Johnson