## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 1625 Session of 2019

INTRODUCED BY KAUFER, SCHMITT, METZGAR, BARRAR, RIGBY, DOWLING, LONGIETTI, HERSHEY, BOBACK, SANKEY, SNYDER, TOPPER, MASSER, MATZIE, RADER, SAYLOR, BERNSTINE, STAATS, STEPHENS, DELLOSO, MADDEN, HOHENSTEIN, HARRIS, MULLINS, SCHWEYER, WARREN, BRIGGS, MULLERY, SCHLOSSBERG, ZABEL, SANCHEZ, FREEMAN, KINSEY, MILLARD, DAWKINS, CARROLL, GLEIM, SIMMONS, A. DAVIS AND KOSIEROWSKI, JUNE 12, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE, JUNE 12, 2019

## AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated 2 Statutes, in financial responsibility, further providing for
- definitions and for required benefits.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. The definition of "financial responsibility" in
- 7 section 1702 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 8 Statutes is amended to read:
- 9 § 1702. Definitions.
- 10 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
- 11 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 12 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 13 \* \* \*
- 14 "Financial responsibility." The ability to respond in
- 15 damages for liability on account of accidents arising out of the

- 1 maintenance or use of a motor vehicle in the minimum amount of
- 2 [\$15,000] <u>\$30,000</u> because of injury to one person in any one
- 3 accident, in the minimum amount of [\$30,000] \$60,000 because of
- 4 injury to two or more persons in any one accident and in the
- 5 minimum amount of [\$5,000] \$15,000 because of damage to property
- 6 of others in any one accident. The financial responsibility
- 7 shall be in a form acceptable to the Department of
- 8 Transportation.
- 9 \* \* \*
- 10 Section 2. Section 1711(a) of Title 75 is amended to read:
- 11 § 1711. Required benefits.
- 12 (a) Medical benefit. -- An insurer issuing or delivering
- 13 liability insurance policies covering any motor vehicle of the
- 14 type required to be registered under this title, except
- 15 recreational vehicles not intended for highway use, motorcycles,
- 16 motor-driven cycles or motorized pedalcycles or like type
- 17 vehicles, registered and operated in this Commonwealth, shall
- 18 include coverage providing a medical benefit in the amount of
- 19 [\$5,000] \$10,000.
- 20 \* \* \*
- 21 Section 3. A change in the coverage of a liability insurance
- 22 policy of a private passenger motor vehicle as a result of the
- 23 amendment of 75 Pa.C.S. § 1702 or 1711 shall not affect the
- 24 validity of any waiver, the selection of benefits or the amount
- 25 of benefits in the liability insurance policy beyond the change
- 26 in the coverage as result of the amendment of 75 Pa.C.S. § 1702
- 27 or 1711. The amendment of 75 Pa.C.S. § 1702 or 1711 shall not
- 28 require an insured to sign new forms from an insurer issuing or
- 29 delivering a liability insurance policy covering a private
- 30 passenger motor vehicle.

1 Section 4. This act shall take effect in 60 days.