

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1981 SESSION

CHAPTER 818
SENATE BILL 582

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE PURCHASE OF INSURANCE OR THE POSTING OF A CASH BOND BEFORE A PROFESSIONAL HOUSEMOVER'S LICENSE WILL BE ISSUED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article 16 of the General Statutes, Chapter 20, is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 20-359.1. **Insurance requirements.** — (a) No license shall be issued or renewed pursuant to this Article unless the applicant presents to the Department a certificate or certificates of insurance, from an insurance company or companies licensed to do business in this State, providing:

- (1) Motor vehicle insurance with minimum coverage of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for bodily injury to or death of one person in any one accident, three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) for bodily injury to or death of two or more persons in any one accident, and fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for injury to or destruction of property of others in any one accident;
- (2) Comprehensive general liability insurance with a minimum coverage of three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) combined single limit of liability; and
- (3) Worker's Compensation insurance that complies with General Statutes Chapter 97 if the person licensed as a professional housemover is not exempt from that Chapter.

(b) The certificate or certificates shall provide for continuous coverage during the effective period of the license issued pursuant to this Article.

(c) The Department shall be notified by the person licensed as a professional housemover of and 30 days prior to any cancellation or changes made to any provision of the insurance required by subsection (a) of this section.

(d) In lieu of the insurance certificate or certificates required by subsection (a) of this section, the applicant may post with the Department a cash bond or other acceptable surety in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the benefit of any person filing a claim for personal injury, death, or property damage arising from the movement of a structure pursuant to this Article."

Sec. 2. G.S. 20-360(c) is amended by adding the following phrase after the word "buildings" and before the semicolon:

"from or to property owned individually by those persons".

Sec. 3. G.S. 20-358(2) is repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall become effective August 1, 1981.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 3rd day of July, 1981.