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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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The Highway Traffic Amendment Act, 1973

THE MINISTER OF HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT

First Reading

Second Reading

Third Reading

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THE HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AMENDMENT ACT, 1973

(Assented to , 1973)

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

1. The Highway Traffic Act is hereby amended.

2. Section 243 is amended by striking out subsection (2) and by substituting the following:

(2) Where an operator's licence and registration are suspended under subsection (1) the licence and registration remain suspended and shall not at any time thereafter be renewed, nor shall any new operator's licence be issued to, or new registration be permitted to be made by the person liable, until the judgment is satisfied or discharged, otherwise than by a discharge in bankruptcy, to the extent of

- (a) at least \$35,000, exclusive of interest and costs, where the judgment arises out of a motor vehicle accident occurring before January 1, 1974, or
- (b) at least \$50,000, exclusive of interest and costs, where the judgment arises out of a motor vehicle accident occurring on or after January 1, 1974.

3. This Act comes into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This Bill will amend the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1970, chapter 169, section 243 in conjunction with an increase of the minimum auto insurance coverage from \$35,000 to \$50,000. Section 243 (1) and (2) presently read:

243. (1) Where a judgment for damages arising out of a motor vehicle accident is rendered against a person by a court in Alberta or in any other province of Canada, if that person fails, within 15 days from the date upon which the judgment became final, to satisfy the judgment, the Minister, subject to sections 244 and 245 may suspend the operator's licence of that person and may suspend the registration of any or every motor vehicle registered in the name of that person.

(2) Where an operator's licence and registration are suspended under subsection (1) the licence and registration remain suspended and shall not at any time thereafter be renewed, nor shall any new operator's licence be issued to, or new registration be permitted to be made by the person liable, until the judgment is satisfied or discharged, otherwise than by a discharge in bankruptcy, to the extent of at least \$35,000, exclusive of interest and costs.