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CHAPTER 339

AN ACT to amend 85.09 (1) (j), (5) (c), (21) (b) 2 and (25) (a) of the statutes, relating to the limits of proof of financial responsibility under the safety responsibility law.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

85.09 (1) (j), (5) (c), (21) (b) 2 and (25) (a) of the statutes are amended to read:
85.09 (1) (j). Proof of ability to respond in damages for liability, on account of accidents occurring subsequent to the effective date of said proof, arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of a motor vehicle, in the amount of * * * \$10,000 because of bodily injury to or death of one person in any one accident, and, subject to said limit for one person, in the amount of * * * \$20,000 because of bodily injury to or death of 2 or more persons in any one accident, and in the amount of * * * \$5,000 because of injury to or destruction of property of others in any one accident.

(5) (c) No such policy or bond shall be effective under this subsection unless issued by an insurance company or surety company authorized to do business in this state, except that if such motor vehicle was not registered in this state, or was a motor vehicle which was registered elsewhere than in this state at the effective date of the policy or bond, or the most recent renewal thereof, such policy or bond shall not be effective under this subsection unless the insurance company or surety company if not authorized to do business in this state shall execute a power of attorney authorizing the commissioner to accept service on its behalf of notice or process in any action upon such policy or bond arising out of such accident; provided, * * * every such policy or bond is subject, if the accident has resulted in bodily injury or death, to a limit, exclusive of interest and costs, of not less than * * * \$10,000 because of bodily injury to or death of one person in any one accident and, subject to said limit for one person, to a limit of not less than * * * \$20,000 because of bodily injury to or death of 2 or more persons in any one accident, and, if the accident has resulted in injury to or destruction of property, to a limit of not less than * * * \$5,000 because of injury to or destruction of property of others in any one accident. Where service of process is made on the commissioner under a power of

attorney filed in accordance with this paragraph, the commissioner shall forthwith mail by registered mail a copy of such papers to such company at the address given in the filed power of attorney. In all cases of service hereunder there shall be served the original and the number of copies that there are defendants so served in the action, the original to be returned with proper certificate of service attached for filing in court as proof of service of the copies by having mailed them by registered mail to the defendants named therein. The service fee shall be \$2 for each defendant so served.

(21) (b) 2. Shall insure the person named therein and any other person, as insured, using any such motor vehicle or motor vehicles with the express or implied permission of such named insured, against loss from the liability imposed by law for damages arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of such motor vehicle or motor vehicles within the United States of America or the Dominion of Canada, subject to limits exclusive of interest and costs, with respect to each such motor vehicle, as follows: * * * \$10,000 because of bodily injury to or death of one person in any one accident and, subject to said limit for one person, * * * \$20,000 because of bodily injury to or death of 2 or more persons in any one accident, and * * * \$5,000 because of injury to or destruction of property of others in any one accident.

(25) (a) Proof of financial responsibility may be evidenced by the certificate of the state treasurer that the person named therein has deposited with him * * * \$25,000 in cash, or securities such as may legally be purchased by savings banks or for trust funds of a market value of * * * \$25,000. The state treasurer shall not accept any such deposit and issue a certificate therefor and the commissioner shall not accept such certificate unless accompanied by evidence that there are no unsatisfied judgments of any character against the depositor in the county where the depositor resides.

Approved June 25, 1953.
