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ORIGINAL HOUSE BILL NO. 0152

ENROLLED ACT NO. 86, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2013 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; providing for proof of financial responsibility; deleting accident reporting requirements for persons involved in vehicle accidents; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

**Section 1.** W.S. 31-9-110 is created to read:

# 31-9-110. Providing proof of financial responsibility.

For purposes of this act, a person shall be considered to have provided and filed proof of financial responsibility whenever a search of the online insurance verification system or other verification system provides proof of financial responsibility.

**Section 2.** W.S. 31-5-1106(c), 31-5-1108(a), 31-5-1111 and 31-9-402 by creating a new subsection (b) are amended to read:

# 31-5-1106. Written reports required of police officers; reporting of vehicles struck by bullets.

(c) Every police officer who investigates a motor vehicle accident of which report must be made as required in this section resulting in bodily injury to or death of any person or total property damage to an apparent extent of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or more, either at the time of and at the scene of the accident or thereafter by interviewing the participants or witnesses shall forward a written report of the accident to the highway department

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within ten (10) days after his investigation of the accident.

# 31-5-1108. Report forms; failure to make report; false report.

(a) The highway department shall prepare and upon request supply to police departments, coroners, sheriffs and other suitable agencies or individuals, forms for accident reports required hereunder, appropriate with respect to the persons required to make the reports and the purposes to be served. The written reports to be made by persons involved in accidents and by investigating officers shall call for sufficiently detailed information to disclose with reference to a traffic accident the cause, conditions then existing and the persons and vehicles involved.

### 31-5-1111. Reports required by municipalities.

(a) Any municipality may by ordinance require that the driver of a vehicle involved in an accident, or the owner of the vehicle, shall also file with a designated city department a report of the accident or a copy of any report herein required to be filed with the highway department. All reports shall be for the confidential use of the city department and subject to W.S. 31-5-1110. Any accident report required of persons involved in accidents shall be without prejudice to the individual so reporting and shall be for the confidential use of the municipality for accident prevention purposes, except that:

(i) The municipality may disclose the identity of a person involved in an accident when the identity is not otherwise known or when the person denies his presence at the accident;

(ii) The municipality shall disclose to any person requesting the information whether any person or

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vehicle was covered by a vehicle insurance policy and the name of the insurer.

31-9-402. Types of proof.

(b) Proof of financial responsibility may be furnished as allowed by W.S. 31-9-110.

Section 3. W.S. 31-5-1106(a) and (b), 31-5-1107(a) and (c), 31-5-1108(d), 31-5-1110(a) and 31-7-128(d) are repealed.

Section 4. This act is effective July 1, 2013.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED:

DATE APPROVED:

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk