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H.B. No. 678

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the use of a wireless communication device to provide evidence of motor vehicle financial responsibility.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 601.053(a), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) As a condition of operating in this state a motor vehicle to which Section 601.051 applies, the operator of the vehicle on request shall provide to a peace officer, as defined by Article 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, or a person involved in an accident with the operator evidence of financial responsibility by exhibiting:

(1) a motor vehicle liability insurance policy covering the vehicle that satisfies Subchapter D or a photocopy of the policy;

(2) a standard proof of motor vehicle liability insurance form prescribed by the Texas Department of Insurance under Section 601.081 and issued by a liability insurer for the motor vehicle, or an image provided by a liability insurer on a wireless communication device that includes the information required by Section 601.081;

(3) an insurance binder that confirms the operator is in compliance with this chapter;

(4) a surety bond certificate issued under Section

1 601.121;

2 (5) a certificate of a deposit with the comptroller  
3 covering the vehicle issued under Section 601.122;

4 (6) a copy of a certificate of a deposit with the  
5 appropriate county judge covering the vehicle issued under Section  
6 601.123; or

7 (7) a certificate of self-insurance covering the  
8 vehicle issued under Section 601.124 or a photocopy of the  
9 certificate.

10 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
11 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
12 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
13 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
14 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.