

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 864

BY REPRESENTATIVE TALBOT

MTR VEHICLE/COMPULS INS: Creates a penalty for school bus drivers operating buses without insurance

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 32:865.1, relative to school bus drivers; to provide penalties for operating a  
3 school bus without insurance; and to provide for related matters.

4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

5 Section 1. R.S. 32:865.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

6 §865.1. Criminal sanctions for operating school bus not covered by security

7 A. Any school bus driver knowingly operating a school bus and any owner  
8 of a school bus allowing it to be operated when such school bus is not covered by the  
9 security required by R.S. 32:861 shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than one  
10 thousand dollars.

11 B. If a school bus is involved in an accident within this state, and it is not  
12 covered by the security required by R.S. 32:861, the owner thereof shall, upon  
13 conviction, be fined not more than one thousand dollars and shall have the  
14 registration of the vehicle revoked for a period of sixty days, and a school bus driver  
15 who was operating the vehicle with the knowledge that it was not insured shall have  
16 his commercial driver's license suspended for a period of one year.

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**DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Provides penalties for school bus drivers for operating a school bus without insurance, and it also provides penalties for owners of school buses for allowing them to be operated without insurance.

Proposed law provides that a school bus driver knowingly operating a school bus without the required insurance shall be fined not more than \$1,000.

Proposed law provides that if the owner of a school bus knowingly allows the school bus to be operated without the security required by proposed law he shall be fined not more than \$1,000.

Proposed law provides that if a school bus operating without the security required by proposed law is involved in an accident, the owner shall be fined not more than \$1,000, the vehicle's registration will be revoked for 60 days, and the school bus driver's commercial driver's license shall be suspended for 1 year, if he had knowledge that the bus was uninsured.

(Adds R.S. 32:865.1)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to the original bill.

1. Changed "motor vehicle" to "school bus" for clarification.