HOUSE BILL 853

By Mumpower

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 9, Part 1, relative to motor vehicle equipment.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-102, is amended by deleting subdivision (1) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

- (1) On every bus, truck, or truck tractor:
- (A) At least one (1) fire extinguisher, of a type inspected and labeled by Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc., under classification B, and utilizing an extinguishing agent which does not need protection from freezing (minimum size, two-pound (2 lb.) dry chemical type); provided, that the provisions of this subdivision (A) do not apply to pickup trucks having not more than two (2) rear wheels and equipped with emergency flashing lights at the front and rear unless such truck is registered pursuant to § 55-4-113;
- (B) One (1) red lantern, when projecting loads are carried; provided, that the provisions of this subdivision (B) do not apply to pickup trucks having not more than two (2) rear wheels and equipped with emergency flashing lights at front and rear; and
- (C) One (1) red cloth flag, not less than twelve inches (12") square, when projecting loads are carried; provided, that the provisions of this subdivision (C) do not apply to pickup trucks having not more than two (2) rear wheels and equipped with emergency flashing lights at front and rear; and

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.