

HOUSE BILL 2105

By Haynes

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-6-106, relative to workers' compensation.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-6-106(1)(B), is amended by adding the following between the first and second sentences:

The leased operator or leased owner/operator electing coverage as provided in this section shall establish the validity of and satisfy the terms and conditions of all contractual agreements between the parties prior to the processing of any claim for workers' compensation.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-6-106(1), is amended by adding the following new subdivision (C):

(C) The venue of any dispute arising out of or connected with the validity of the contractual relationship or terms of the written agreement upon which the workers' compensation benefits are extended between the common carrier and a leased operator or leased owner/operator shall be the chancery court of the county where the contract was entered or the county of the principal place of business of the common carrier.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.