HOUSE BILL 2263

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 8; Title 16; Title 33; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40; Title 49; Title 54; Title 55 and Title 65, relative to the department of safety.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-12-105(a), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the existing subsection:

Any owner, operator or both, upon receiving a notice from the department that the department has determined there is a reasonable possibility of a judgment against such owner, operator or both, shall be entitled to an administrative hearing to contest such determination. Such hearing shall be conducted according to the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-204(b), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the existing subsection:

Provided, however, that at no time shall the department disclose any person's social security number if such social security number is on an accident report.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-15-128, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (b):

(b) Any motor carrier having a vehicle submitted to the department for a safety examination pursuant to this section shall pay a safety inspection fee as determined by the department. The safety inspection fee shall provide a means for the department to exercise its powers in order to promote and protect public safety of traveling over the highways.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.