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Summary: Motor vehicle liability insurance

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

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4/8/2025	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Kilmartin
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**A BILL**

11 TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 56-5-2956 SO  
12 AS TO PROVIDE MINIMUM AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR  
13 PERSONS CONVICTED OF CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF  
14 ALCOHOL OR DRUGS VIOLATIONS.  
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16 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

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18 SECTION 1. Article 23, Chapter 5, Title 56 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

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20 Section 56-5-2956. (A) In order to operate a motor vehicle in this State, a person who is convicted  
21 of violating Section 56-5-2930 or 56-5-2933 must maintain for one year an automobile liability  
22 insurance policy that contains, at a minimum, the following:

23 (1) two-hundred and fifty thousand dollars for bodily injury to one person in any one accident and,  
24 subject to the limit for one person;

25 (2) five hundred thousand dollars for bodily injury to two or more persons in any one accident;  
26 and

27 (3) two hundred fifty thousand dollars for injury to or destruction of property of others in any one  
28 accident.

29 (B) Proof of financial responsibility required by this section must be filed by the insurance carrier  
30 with the Department of Motor Vehicles.

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32 SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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