

2018 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 74

BY SENATOR GATTI

INSURANCE MANDATES. Requires insurance for persons handling explosives. (8/1/18)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:1472.3(F), relative to licensing a manufacturer, dealer-distributor, user,
3 blaster, or handler of explosives; to provide for the requirement of liability insurance
4 as a condition for obtaining a license; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 40:1472.3(F) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §1472.3. License; manufacturer, dealer-distributor, user, blaster, or handler of
8 explosives

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10 **F. No license shall be issued by the deputy secretary pursuant to an**
11 **application therefor when the applicant is in control of demilitarized explosives,**
12 **propellants, and recycled bomb materials in excess of one-half million pounds**
13 **unless the applicant provides proof of liability insurance. The liability insurance**
14 **shall be in an amount not less than fifty million dollars and shall provide**
15 **coverage for damage caused by blast waves, blast wind, fire, fragmentation,**
16 **open burning, secondary fragmentation, shockwaves, and stress waves which**
17 **result from the handling, movement, use, manipulation, or other action causing**

1 **the detonation of explosives by the applicant or an employee or agent of the**
2 **applicant.**

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Cheryl Cooper.

DIGEST

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Present law provides requirements for a manufacturer, dealer-distributor, user, blaster, or handler of explosives to obtain a state-issued license.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the requirement of proof of a \$50 million liability insurance policy to cover damage caused by blast waves, blast wind, fire, fragmentation, open burning, secondary fragmentation, shockwaves, and stress waves as a condition of issuance of a license when the applicant is in control of demilitarized explosives, propellants, and recycled bomb materials in excess of one-half million pounds.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Adds 40:1472.3(F))