

HOUSE BILL No. 4175

February 10, 2015, Introduced by Reps. Johnson, Goike and Rendon and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 351, entitled "Equine activity liability act," by amending section 5 (MCL 691.1665).

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 5. Section 3 does not prevent or limit the liability of 2 an equine activity sponsor, equine professional, or another person if the equine activity sponsor, equine professional, or other 3 4 person does any of the following:
 - (a) Provides equipment or tack and knows or should know that the equipment or tack is faulty, and the equipment or tack is faulty to the extent that it is a proximate cause of the injury, death, or damage.
 - (b) Provides an equine and fails to make reasonable and prudent efforts to determine the ability of the participant to

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- 1 engage safely in the equine activity and to determine the ability
- 2 of the participant to safely manage the particular equine. A person
- 3 shall not rely upon a participant's representations of his or her
- 4 ability unless these representations are supported by reasonably
- 5 sufficient detail.
- 6 (c) Owns, leases, rents, has authorized use of, or otherwise
- 7 is in lawful possession and control of land or facilities on which
- 8 the participant sustained injury because of a dangerous latent
- 9 condition of the land or facilities that is known to the equine
- 10 activity sponsor, equine professional, or other person and for
- 11 which warning signs are not conspicuously posted.
- 12 (d) Commits a negligent AN act or omission that constitutes A
- 13 WILLFUL OR WANTON DISREGARD FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PARTICIPANT, AND
- 14 THAT IS a proximate cause of the injury, death, or damage.

 [Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days after the date it is enacted into law.]

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