



**House
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RESIDENTIAL JUNK

House Bill 4686

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Committee: State Affairs

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4684 AS INTRODUCED 4-16-91

The bill would amend Public Act 106 of 1963, which prohibits littering, to add a section that would prohibit the accumulation of junk on private property and provide for a civil cause of action.

The bill would prohibit residential owners (or someone occupying residential property) from knowingly accumulating junk (or allowing junk to accumulate) outdoors on the residential property. The bill would define "junk" to mean motor vehicles, machinery, appliances, or furniture that was damaged, deteriorated, or unusable.

Someone violating this prohibition could be sued for damages or equitable relief or both (as well as reasonable attorney fees and costs), and the court could order violators to properly removed accumulated junk. An owner who failed to comply with such a court order would be subject to contempt of court and could be fined up to \$1,000 and imprisoned for up to six months.

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