SENATE BILL No. 351

May 30, 1991, Introduced by Senators DUNASKISS, POSTHUMUS, DI NELLO, EHLERS, HART, EMMONS, KOIVISTO, WARTNER, HONIGMAN, HOLMES, CARL, DINGELL, PRIDNIA, CISKY, FAUST, O'BRIEN, MC MANUS, GEAKE, DILLINGHAM, DE GROW, BERRYMAN, GAST, ARTHURHULTZ, FAXON and WELBORN and referred to the Committee on State Affairs and Military/Veteran Affairs.

A bill to amend sections 301, 302, and 303 of Act No. 453 of the Public Acts of 1976, entitled as amended "Elliott-Larsen civil rights act," being sections 37.2301, 37.2302, and 37.2303 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Sections 301, 302, and 303 of Act No. 453 of the
- 2 Public Acts of 1976, being sections 37.2301, 37.2302, and 37.2303
- 3 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, are amended to read as follows:
- 4 Sec. 301. As used in this article:
- 5 (A) "DISTINCTLY PRIVATE IN NATURE" MEANS AN INSTITUTION,
- 6 CLUB, OR PLACE OF ACCOMMODATION THAT HAS LESS THAN 200 MEMBERS,
- 7 DOES NOT PROVIDE REGULAR MEAL SERVICE FOR NONMEMBERS, AND DOES
- 8 NOT ON A REGULAR BASIS, RECEIVE PAYMENT FOR DUES, FEES, USE OF
- 9 SPACE, SERVICES, FACILITIES, OR THE PROVISION OF MEALS OR

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- 1 BEVERAGES DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY FROM OR ON BEHALF OF NONMEMBERS
- 2 FOR THE FURTHERANCE OF TRADE OR BUSINESS.
- 3 (B) -(a) "Place of public accommodation" means a business,
- 4 or an educational, refreshment, entertainment, recreation,
- 5 health, or transportation facility, or institution of any kind,
- 6 whether licensed or not, whose goods, services, facilities, priv-
- 7 ileges, advantages, or accommodations are extended, offered,
- 8 sold, or otherwise made available to the public. PLACE OF PUBLIC
- 9 ACCOMMODATION DOES NOT INCLUDE AN INSTITUTION, CLUB, OR PLACE OF
- 10 ACCOMMODATION THAT IS DISTINCTLY PRIVATE IN NATURE.
- 11 (C) (b) "Public service" means a public facility, depart-
- 12 ment, agency, board, or commission, owned, operated, or managed
- 13 by or on behalf of the state, a political subdivision, or an
- 14 agency thereof, or a tax exempt private agency established to
- 15 provide service to the public.
- Sec. 302. (1) Except where permitted by law, a person
- 17 shall not:
- (a) Deny an individual the full and equal enjoyment of the
- 19 goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommo-
- 20 dations of a place of public accommodation or public service
- 21 because of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, or
- 22 marital status.
- (b) Print, circulate, post, mail, or otherwise cause to be
- 24 published a statement, advertisement, notice, or sign which indi-
- 25 cates that the full and equal enjoyment of the goods, services,
- 26 facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations of a place
- 27 of public accommodation or public service will be refused,

- 1 withheld from, or denied an individual because of religion, race,
- 2 color, national origin, age, sex, or marital status, or that an
- 3 individual's patronage of or presence at a place of public accom-
- 4 modation is objectionable, unwelcome, unacceptable, or undesir-
- 5 able because of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex,
- 6 or marital status.
- 7 (2) A PLACE OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION THAT IS REQUIRED TO CON-
- 8 STRUCT OR RECONSTRUCT LOCKER ROOM, SHOWER, OR OTHER FACILITIES IN
- 9 ORDER TO COMPLY WITH THIS ACT SHALL BE ALLOWED 180 DAYS AFTER AN
- 10 ORDER ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION TO COMPLETE THE CONSTRUCTION OR
- 11 RECONSTRUCTION. THE COMMISSION, FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN, MAY GRANT
- 12 AN EXTENSION OF NOT TO EXCEED AN ADDITIONAL 90 DAYS TO COMPLETE
- 13 COMPLIANCE WITH THE ORDER. THE COMMISSION MAY PROMULGATE RULES
- 14 TO IMPLEMENT THIS SUBSECTION.
- 15 Sec. 303. This article shall not apply to a -private club
- 16 THAT IS DISTINCTLY PRIVATE IN NATURE, or other establishment not
- 17 in fact open to the public, except to the extent that the goods,
- 18 services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations
- 19 of the -private club or establishment are made available to the
- 20 customers or patrons of another establishment that is a place of
- 21 public accommodation or is licensed by the state under THE
- 22 MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL ACT, Act No. 8 of the Public Acts of THE
- 23 EXTRA SESSION OF 1933, being sections 436.1 -through TO 436.58
- 24 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.