

HOUSE BILL No. 5496

December 14, 1995, Introduced by Reps. Cropsey, Bush, Lowe, DeMars, Ryan, Kaza, Anthony and DeHart and referred to the Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 63 of the Public Acts of 1915, entitled as amended

"An act to provide for the furnishing of suitable flag holders and United States flags for the graves of veterans who served in the armed forces of the United States for the marking and designation of the graves for memorial purposes; and to provide a penalty for the removal or destruction of the flag holders and United States flags when placed,"

being section 35.833 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Section 3 of Act No. 63 of the Public Acts of
- 2 1915, being section 35.833 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
- 3 amended to read as follows:
- 4 Sec. 3. A person who shall wilfully take WILLFULLY TAKES
- 5 down, -destroy, deface DESTROYS, DEFACES, or -carry CARRIES
- 6 away a flag holder or other design or memorial flag placed at a
- 7 grave for memorial purposes without authority from the person

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- I causing the flag holder -and- OR OTHER DESIGN OR MEMORIAL flag to
- 2 be placed in the cemetery or at the grave is guilty of a misde-
- 3 meanor punishable by IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 90 DAYS
- 4 OR a fine of not less than \$5.00 -nor- OR more than \$50.00, or
- 5 imprisonment for a period-not exceeding 90 days \$500.00, or
- 6 both.