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SENATE BILL No. 933

May 8, 2014, Introduced by Senator JONES and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 331, entitled "Michigan consumer protection act,"

by amending section 4 (MCL 445.904), as amended by 2003 PA 216.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 4. (1) This act does not apply to either of the
- 2 following:
- 3 (a) A transaction or conduct specifically authorized under
- 4 laws administered by a regulatory board or officer acting under
- 5 statutory authority of this state or the United States.
 - (b) An act done by the publisher, owner, agent, or employee of a newspaper, periodical, directory, radio or television station, or
 - other communications medium in the publication or dissemination of

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- 1 an advertisement unless the publisher, owner, agent, or employee
- 2 knows or, under the circumstances, reasonably should know of the
- 3 false, misleading, or deceptive character of the advertisement or
- 4 has a direct financial interest in the sale or distribution of the
- 5 advertised goods, property, or service.
- 6 (2) Except for the purposes of an action filed by a person
- 7 under section 11, this act does not apply to or create a cause of
- 8 action for an unfair, unconscionable, or deceptive method, act, or
- 9 practice that is made unlawful by any of the following:
- 10 (a) The banking code of 1999, 1999 PA 276, MCL 487.11101 to
- **11** 487.15105.
- 12 (b) 1939 PA 3, MCL 460.1 to 460.10cc.460.11.
- 13 (c) The motor carrier act, 1933 PA 254, MCL 475.1 to 479.43.
- 14 (d) The savings bank act, 1996 PA 354, MCL 487.3101 to
- **15** 487.3804.
- 16 (e) The credit union act, 2003 PA 215, MCL 490.101 TO 490.601.
- 17 (3) This act does not apply to or create a cause of action for
- 18 an unfair, unconscionable, or deceptive method, act, or practice
- 19 that is made unlawful by chapter 20 of the insurance code of 1956,
- 20 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.2001 to 500.2093, AND THAT OCCURRED BEFORE,
- 21 ON, OR AFTER MARCH 28, 2001.
- 22 (4) The burden of proving an exemption from this act is upon
- 23 the person claiming the exemption.
- 24 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act is retroactive and is
- 25 effective March 28, 2001.
- 26 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act is curative and
- 27 intended to prevent any misinterpretation that this act applies to

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- 1 or creates a cause of action for an unfair, unconscionable, or
- 2 deceptive method, act, or practice occurring before March 28, 2001
- 3 that is made unlawful by chapter 20 of the insurance code of 1956,
- 4 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.2001 to 500.2093, that may result from the
- 5 decision of the Michigan supreme court in Converse v Auto Club
- 6 Group Ins Co, No. 142917, October 26, 2012.