

SENATE BILL No. 669

December 15, 2015, Introduced by Senator GREEN and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

A bill to control noise; and to prescribe civil sanctions.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. A person shall not make or cause or assist in the
2 making or causing of loud noise that disturbs, injures, or
3 threatens the peace, comfort, health, or safety of an individual.

4 Sec. 2. A person shall not do any of the following:

5 (a) Sound any horn or other audible signaling device on any
6 motor vehicle on a public road or street or other public property
7 except as a danger warning; create by means of such a device an
8 unreasonably loud or harsh noise; sound such a device for an
9 unreasonable period of time; or sound such a device because traffic
10 is held up.

11 (b) Use, play, operate, or authorize to be used, played, or
12 operated a radio receiver, musical instrument, digital or analog

1 audio player, loudspeaker, amplifier, or other device for producing
2 or reproducing sound on private property or in or from a vehicle on
3 a public road or street or other public property at a volume that
4 disturbs the peace or comfort of an individual of reasonable
5 sensitivity who is not on the private property or not in or on the
6 vehicle. The operation of such a device between 12 midnight and 5
7 a.m. at a volume that is plainly audible at a distance of 50 feet
8 from the private property or vehicle where the device is located is
9 prima facie evidence of a violation of this subsection.

10 (c) Use, operate, or authorize to be used or operated a radio
11 receiver, musical instrument, digital or analog audio player,
12 loudspeaker, amplifier, or other device for producing or
13 reproducing sound for the purpose of commercial advertising at a
14 volume that disturbs the peace or comfort of an individual of
15 reasonable sensitivity on a public road, street, or sidewalk.

16 (d) Keep an animal or animals that, by causing frequent or
17 long continued noise, disturb the peace or comfort of any
18 individual of reasonable sensitivity who is not on the property
19 where the animal or animals are kept.

20 (e) Blow a locomotive steam whistle or steam whistle attached
21 to a stationary boiler, except to give notice of the time to begin
22 or stop work, as a warning of fire or other danger, or upon the
23 request of proper government authorities.

24 (f) Discharge into the open air the exhaust of a steam engine,
25 stationary internal combustion engine, or motor vehicle, except
26 through a muffler or other device that effectively prevents loud or
27 explosive noises.

1 (g) Use a motor vehicle so out of repair, so loaded, or in
2 such a manner as to create loud and unnecessary grating, grinding,
3 rattling, or other noise.

4 (h) Screech tires of a motor vehicle intentionally or by
5 immoderate operation.

6 (i) Create noise on a public road or street adjacent to a
7 school other than a home school, to an institution of higher
8 education, to a church or other house of worship, or to a court
9 while in use, or adjacent to any hospital, that unreasonably
10 interferes with the function of the entity or disturbs staff or
11 patients in the hospital. This subdivision does not apply unless a
12 conspicuous sign visible from the road or street indicates the
13 presence of the institution.

14 (j) Use a musical instrument or other device to create
15 unreasonably loud noise for the purpose of attracting attention to
16 any commercial performance, commercial show, or sale.

17 (k) Operate between 12 midnight and 5 a.m. a pile driver,
18 steam shovel, pneumatic hammer, derrick, steam or electric hoist,
19 or other machine, if the operation causes loud or unusual noise.

20 Sec. 3. A person who violates this act is responsible for a
21 state civil infraction and may be ordered to pay a civil fine of
22 not more than \$100.00.

23 Enacting section 1. This act takes effect 90 days after the
24 date it is enacted into law.