Act No. 85
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STATE OF MICHIGAN 101ST LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2022

Introduced by Senator Alexander

ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 995

AN ACT to prohibit the commencement of civil actions relating to opioids by certain governmental officers and entities.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

- Sec. 1. This act may be cited as the "opioid liability litigation act".
- Sec. 2. As used in this act:
- (a) "Distributor settlement" means the master settlement agreement arising out of the MDL and entered into by this state with AmerisourceBergen Corporation, Cardinal Health, Inc., and McKesson Corporation.
- (b) "Janssen settlement" means the master settlement agreement arising out of the MDL and entered into by this state with Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
- (c) "MDL" means *In re Nat'l Prescription Opiate Litigation*, multidistrict litigation consolidated in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, Case No.1:17-MD-2804.
- (d) "Political subdivision" means a public body corporate in this state, an agency of a public body corporate in this state, a nonincorporated body in this state of whatever nature, or an agency of a nonincorporated body in this state. Political subdivision includes a county, city, village, township, school district, or special district or authority of this state. Political subdivision does not include this state.
 - Sec. 3. A political subdivision of this state shall not commence or maintain an action as follows:
- (a) After January 1, 2021, an action related to the released claims as defined in the distributor settlement against the released entities as defined in the distributor settlement.
- (b) After January 1, 2021, an action related to the released claims as defined in the Janssen settlement against the released entities as defined in the Janssen settlement.

Enacting section 1. This act does not take effect unless Senate Bill No. 993 of the 101st Legislature is enacted into law.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

		Secretary of the Senate
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	Governor	

Compiler's note: Senate Bill No. 993, referred to in enacting section 1, was filed with the Secretary of State May 19, 2022, and became 2022 PA 83, Imd. Eff. May 19, 2022.