SENATE BILL NO. 159

March 18, 2025, Introduced by Senators DAMOOSE, CAVANAGH, SHINK, KLINEFELT, GEISS, MCMORROW, BAYER and IRWIN and referred to Committee on Finance, Insurance, and Consumer Protection.

A bill to provide for certain investigations for violating the event online ticket sales act; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and departments; and to prescribe civil sanctions and provide certain remedies.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 1. For the purposes of this act, the definitions in section 3 of the event online ticket sales act apply to the use of those terms in this act.

- 1 Sec. 3. The attorney general may investigate a claim that a person has violated the event online ticket sales act.
- 3 Sec. 5. (1) A person that violates the event online ticket
- 4 sales act is subject to a civil fine of not more than \$5,000.00. A
- 5 fine collected must be deposited in the general fund.
- 6 (2) Each ticket acquired in violation of the event online
- 7 ticket sales act constitutes a separate violation for the purpose
- 8 of assessing a civil fine under this section.
- 9 Sec. 7. (1) If the attorney general determines that a
- 10 violation is imminent or a person is in the process of violating
- 11 the event online ticket sales act, the attorney general may bring a
- 12 civil action to restrain, enjoin, or prevent the person from
- 13 violating or continuing to violate the event online ticket sales
- **14** act.
- 15 (2) If the attorney general determines that a person has
- 16 violated the event online ticket sales act, the attorney general
- 17 may bring a civil action against the person for appropriate relief,
- 18 including injunctive relief or to collect the civil fine, as
- 19 provided for under section 5. The attorney general may also recover
- 20 restitution.
- 21 (3) A person that violates a court order or injunction issued
- 22 to enforce the event online ticket sales act is subject to a civil
- 23 fine of not more than \$5,000.00.
- 24 Sec. 9. The court may allow the attorney general to recover
- 25 reasonable costs and attorney fees incurred in an action resulting
- 26 in the imposition of a civil fine under this act.
- 27 Enacting section 1. This act does not take effect unless
- 28 Senate Bill No. 159 of the 103rd Legislature is enacted into law.