



# HOUSE BILL No. 4599

March 14, 1995, Introduced by Reps. Wallace, Weeks, Clack, Martinez, Dobronski, Parks, Yokich, Stallworth, Bennane, Curtis, DeMars, Palamara, Baird, Varga, Pitoniak, Hood, Kilpatrick, Scott, Vaughn and Wetters and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Civil Rights.

A bill to amend Act No. 236 of the Public Acts of 1961,  
entitled as amended

"Revised judicature act of 1961,"

as amended, being sections 600.101 to 600.9947 of the Michigan  
Compiled Laws, by adding section 6312.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Act No. 236 of the Public Acts of 1961, as  
2 amended, being sections 600.101 to 600.9947 of the Michigan  
3 Compiled Laws, is amended by adding section 6312 to read as  
4 follows:

5 SEC. 6312. IN A PERSONAL INJURY ACTION, THE TRIER OF FACT  
6 MAY AWARD PUNITIVE DAMAGES AGAINST A DEFENDANT FOUND TO BE AT  
7 FAULT IF THE CONDUCT OF THE DEFENDANT THAT WAS A PROXIMATE CAUSE  
8 OF THE INJURY IS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

1 (A) INTENTIONAL.

2 (B) MALICIOUS.

3 (C) FRAUDULENT.

4 (D) DONE WITH A CONSCIOUS AND DELIBERATE DISREGARD OF THE  
5 INTERESTS OF OTHERS.