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## **EQUINE LIABILITY**

**House Bill 5006  
Sponsor: Rep. Llewellyn  
Committee: Agriculture and Forestry**

**Complete to 2-10-94**

### **A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5006 AS INTRODUCED 8-31-93**

The bill would limit the civil liability of an equine professional (a riding instructor, horse trainer, a person who rents horses or riding equipment, or a person who boards horses) or sponsor of an equine activity (a horse show, fair, horse club, and the like) for an injury or death of a participant resulting from a risk normally associated with equine activities. The equine professional would be required to post notice of the limited liability near the location where the equine activity is to take place.

The bill would not limit the liability of an equine activity sponsor or equine professional if that person: knew or should have known that equipment or tack was faulty to the extent that it could cause injury or death; provided a horse to a participant without determining the ability of the participant to safely manage the horse based on the participant's portrayal of his or her ability; or failed to post conspicuous warning signs on his or her property if the property had a "dangerous latent condition" known to the person owning or controlling the use of the land. Further, the bill would not limit liability for acts of omission that constituted willful or wanton disregard for safety, or for intentional injuries.

**HOUSE BILL 5006 (2-10-94)**