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SENATE BILL No. 1282

September 19, 2012, Introduced by Senators BOOHER and GREEN and referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Institutions.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled
"Revised judicature act of 1961,"
by amending section 2919a (MCL 600.2919a), as amended by 2005 PA
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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 2919a. (1) A—SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (3), A person damaged as a result of either or both of the following may recover 3 times the amount of actual damages sustained, plus costs and reasonable attorney fees:

- (a) Another person's stealing or embezzling property or converting property to the other person's own use.
- (b) Another person's buying, receiving, possessing, concealing, or aiding in the concealment of stolen, embezzled, or converted property when the person buying, receiving, possessing,

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- 1 concealing, or aiding in the concealment of stolen, embezzled, or
- 2 converted property knew that the property was stolen, embezzled, or
- 3 converted.
- 4 (2) The remedy provided by this section is in addition to any
- 5 other right or remedy the person may have at law or otherwise.
- 6 (3) A PERSON MAY NOT RECOVER DAMAGES UNDER THIS SECTION FROM A
- 7 QUALIFIED DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION, FOR PROPERTY THAT IS STOLEN,
- 8 EMBEZZLED, OR CONVERTED BY ANOTHER PERSON AND DEPOSITED IN AN
- 9 ACCOUNT AT THE QUALIFIED DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION, UNLESS THE
- 10 QUALIFIED DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION HAD ACTUAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE THEFT,
- 11 EMBEZZLEMENT, OR CONVERSION OR WAS GROSSLY NEGLIGENT IN ITS
- 12 SERVICING OF THE ACCOUNT.
- 13 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "QUALIFIED DEPOSITORY
- 14 INSTITUTION" MEANS A BANK, SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS
- 15 BANK, OR CREDIT UNION THAT MEETS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 16 (A) IT IS CHARTERED OR ORGANIZED UNDER STATE OR FEDERAL LAW.
- 17 (B) ITS DEPOSITS OR SHARE ACCOUNTS ARE INSURED BY AN AGENCY OF
- 18 THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.