## **SENATE BILL NO. 1021**

October 02, 2024, Introduced by Senators SINGH and MOSS and referred to the Committee on Finance, Insurance, and Consumer Protection.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 331, entitled

"Michigan consumer protection act,"

by amending section 4 (MCL 445.904), as amended by 2014 PA 251, and by adding section 2a.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 2a. This act must be liberally construed to effectuate
- 2 its purpose, and the remedies provided under this act are in
- 3 addition to any other remedy provided by law.
- 4 Sec. 4. (1) This act does not apply to either of the
- 5 following:

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- 1 (a) A transaction or conduct specifically specific method,
- 2 act, or practice that is expressly authorized under the laws
- 3 administered of this state or the United States or by a regulatory
- 4 an agency, board, or officer acting under statutory authority
- 5 administering the laws of this state or the United States. This
- 6 subdivision does not exempt a method, act, or practice from this
- 7 act solely because either of the following applies:
- 8 (i) The method, act, or practice is part of a general
- 9 transaction that is specifically authorized under the laws of this
- 10 state or the United States.
- 11 (ii) The method, act, or practice, or the general transaction
- 12 in which the method, act, or practice is part, is subject to
- 13 governmental regulation.
- 14 (b) An act done by the publisher, owner, agent, or employee of
- 15 a newspaper, periodical, directory, radio or television station, or
- 16 other communications medium in the publication or dissemination of
- 17 an advertisement unless the publisher, owner, agent, or employee
- 18 knows or, under the circumstances, reasonably should know of the
- 19 false, misleading, or deceptive character of the advertisement or
- 20 has a direct financial interest in the sale or distribution of the
- 21 advertised goods, property, or service.
- 22 (2) Except for the purposes of an action filed by a person
- 23 under section 11, this act does not apply to or create a cause of
- 24 action for an unfair, unconscionable, or deceptive method, act, or
- 25 practice that is made unlawful by any of the following:
- 26 (a) The banking code of 1999, 1999 PA 276, MCL 487.11101 to
- **27** 487.15105.
- 28 (b) 1939 PA 3, MCL 460.1 to 460.11.
- 29 (c) The motor carrier act, 1933 PA 254, MCL 475.1 to

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- 1 479.43.479.42.
- 2 (d) The savings bank act, 1996 PA 354, MCL 487.3101 to
- **3** 487.3804.
- 4 (e) The credit union act, 2003 PA 215, MCL 490.101 to 490.601.
- 5 (3) This act does not apply to or create a cause of action for
- 6 an unfair, unconscionable, or deceptive method, act, or practice
- 7 that is made unlawful by chapter 20 of the insurance code of 1956,
- 8 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.2001 to 500.2093, if either of the following
- 9 is met:
- 10 (a) The method, act, or practice occurred on or after March
- **11** 28, 2001.
- 12 (b) The method, act, or practice occurred before March 28,
- 13 2001. However, this subdivision does not apply to or limit a cause
- 14 of action filed with a court concerning a method, act, or practice
- 15 if the cause of action was filed in a court of competent
- 16 jurisdiction on or before June 5, 2014.
- 17 (4) The burden of proving an exemption from this act is <del>upon</del>
- 18 on the person claiming the exemption.