

HOUSE BILL No. 6142

November 8, 1990, Introduced by Rep. Stupak and referred to the Committee on Conservation, Recreation and Environment.

A bill to amend section 626a of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, entitled as amended
"Michigan vehicle code,"
being section 257.626a of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 626a of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts
2 of 1949, being section 257.626a of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 626a. (1) ~~It shall be~~ EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS
5 SUBSECTION, IT IS unlawful for ~~any~~ A person to operate ~~any~~ A
6 vehicle upon ~~any~~ A highway ~~,~~ or ~~any~~ other place open to the
7 general public, including, ~~any~~ BUT NOT LIMITED TO, AN area des-
8 ignated for the parking of motor vehicles, within this state ~~,~~
9 in a speed or acceleration contest or for the purpose of making a
10 speed record, whether from a standing start or otherwise over a

1 measured or unmeasured distance, or in ~~a~~ drag ~~race as herein~~
2 ~~defined~~ RACING. THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO DRAG RACING,
3 CONDUCTED AS ENTERTAINMENT, ON A FROZEN, NAVIGABLE PUBLIC LAKE
4 DURING A WINTER CARNIVAL OR SIMILAR FESTIVAL HELD BY A PUBLIC
5 SERVICE OR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION.

6 (2) A PERSON RENDERING ASSISTANCE IN ANY MANNER TO A COMPET-
7 ITIVE USE OF VEHICLES AS DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE
8 EQUALLY CHARGED AS A PARTICIPANT.

9 (3) ~~"Drag~~ AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "DRAG racing" means the
10 operation of 2 or more vehicles from a point side by side at
11 accelerating speeds in a competitive attempt to out-distance each
12 other over a common selected course or where timing is involved
13 or where A timing ~~devices are~~ DEVICE IS used in competitive
14 accelerations of speeds by participating vehicles. ~~Persons~~
15 ~~rendering assistance in any manner to such competitive use of~~
16 ~~vehicles shall be equally charged as participants.~~ The operation
17 of 2 or more vehicles either at speeds in excess of ~~prima facie~~
18 THE lawfully established ~~speeds~~ SPEED LIMIT or rapidly acceler-
19 ating from a common starting point to a speed in excess of ~~such~~
20 ~~prima facie~~ THE lawful speed LIMIT is prima facie evidence of
21 drag racing. ~~and is unlawful.~~