HOUSE BILL NO. 5429

October 20, 2021, Introduced by Reps. Beeler, Damoose, Witwer and Hertel and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 2009 PA 229, entitled "Guaranteed asset protection waiver act," by amending the title and sections 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11 (MCL 492.21, 492.23, 492.25, 492.27, 492.29, and 492.31), by adding sections 3a, 4, and 9a and parts 5 and 9, and by designating section 1 as part 1, section 3 as part 2, section 3a as part 3, sections 4, 5, 7, 9, and 9a as part 4, and section 11 as part 6; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1	TITLE
2	An act to allow and to regulate guaranteed asset the offering
3	of motor vehicle financial protection waivers offered or provided
4	in connection with finance agreements for certain motor vehicles;
5	products; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state
6	governmental officers and entities; and to provide remedies.
7	PART 1
8	Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
9	"guaranteed asset "motor vehicle financial protection waiver
10	products act".
11	PART 2
12	DEFINITIONS APPLICABLE TO MOTOR VEHICLE FINANCIAL PROTECTION
13	PRODUCTS
14	Sec. 3. As used in this act:
15	(a) "Administrator" means a person, other than a creditor or
16	insurer, that performs administrative or operational functions in
17	connection with a guaranteed asset protection waiver program.
18	(b) "Borrower" means a person that purchases, agrees to
19	purchase, leases, or agrees to lease a motor vehicle. The term
20	includes, but is not limited to, an installment buyer or a retail
21	buyer.
22	(c) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of the office of
23	financial and insurance regulation in the department of energy,
24	labor, and economic growth.
25	(d) "Creditor" means a person that extends credit to a
26	borrower in connection with the purchase of a motor vehicle; an
27	assignee of that person; a lessor of a motor vehicle; or an
28	assignee of that lessor. The term includes, but is not limited to,
29	any of the following:

1 (i) An installment seller that extends credit to an installment
2 buyer and any assignee to which that credit obligation is payable.
3 (ii) An installment seller that leases a motor vehicle to an
4 installment buyer and any assignee to which the lease payments are
5 payable.

6 (iii) A sales finance company that extends credit to an
7 installment buyer and any assignee to which that credit obligation
8 is payable.

9 (iv) A retail seller that extends credit to a retail buyer and
10 any assignee to which that credit obligation is payable.

(v) A retail seller that leases a motor vehicle to a retail
 buyer and any assignce to which the lease payments are payable.

(a) "Commercial retail installment transaction" or "commercial
transaction" means that the motor vehicle that is the subject of
the transaction will primarily be used for business purposes,
rather than personal purposes.

(b) "Consumer" means an individual purchaser of a motor vehicle, and includes a borrower, as that term is defined in section 4, and a contract holder, as that term is defined in section 10, as applicable.

(c) "Director" means the director of the department ofinsurance and financial services.

(d) (e) "Finance agreement" means a loan, lease, or
installment sale agreement for a motor vehicle. The term includes,
but is not limited to, an installment sale contract, a retail
installment contract, or a retail charge agreement.

(e) (f) "Free look period" means the period of time during
which a borrower may cancel a guaranteed asset motor vehicle
financial protection waiver product without penalty, fees, or costs

1 to the borrower. A free look period must begin on the effective 2 date of the guaranteed asset motor vehicle financial protection 3 waiver, product, and the term of a free look period must be at 4 least 30 days.

5 (g) "Guaranteed asset protection waiver" means a contractual 6 agreement in which a creditor agrees for a separate charge to 7 cancel or waive all or part of amounts due on a borrower's finance 8 agreement in the event of a total physical damage loss or 9 unrecovered theft of a motor vehicle.

10 (h) "Installment buyer" means that term as defined in section
11 2 of the motor vehicle sales finance act, MCL 492.102.

12 (f) (i) "Installment sale contract" means that term as defined 13 in section 2 of the motor vehicle sales finance act, 1950 (Ex Sess) 14 PA 27, MCL 492.102.

15 (j) "Installment seller" means that term as defined in section 16 2 of the motor vehicle sales finance act, MCL 492.102.

17 (g) (k) "Insurer" means an authorized insurer as defined in
18 section 108 of the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL
19 500.108.

20 (h) (1)-"Motor vehicle" means a self-propelled or towed device 21 that transports people or property vehicle designed for personal or 22 commercial use. The term includes, but is not limited to, an 23 automobile, truck, motorcycle, recreational vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, **snowmobile**, camper, boat, or **and** personal watercraft or 24 25 and a motorcycle, boat, camper, or personal watercraft related 26 trailer. The term does not include a device that moves on or is 27 quided by a track or travels through the air. 28 (m) "Motor vehicle sales finance act" means the motor vehicle

29 sales finance act, 1950 (Ex Sess) PA 27, MCL 492.101 to 492.141.

1 (i) "Motor vehicle financial protection product" means an 2 agreement that protects a consumer's financial interest in the 3 consumer's current or future motor vehicle, and includes, but is 4 not limited to, a debt waiver, as that term is defined in section 5 4, and a vehicle value protection agreement, as that term is 6 defined in section 10.

7 (j) (n) "Person" means an individual, limited liability
8 company, partnership, association, corporation, governmental
9 entity, or any other legal entity.

10 (k) (o)—"Retail buyer" means that term as defined in section 2
11 of the retail installment sales act, 1966 PA 224, MCL 445.852.

12 (l) (p) "Retail charge agreement" means that term as defined in 13 section 2 of the retail installment sales act, 1966 PA 224, MCL 14 445.852.

15 (m) (q) "Retail installment contract" means that term as 16 defined in section 2 of the retail installment sales act, 1966 PA 17 224, MCL 445.852.

18 (r) "Retail installment sales act" means the retail
19 installment sales act, 1966 PA 224, MCL 445.851 to 445.873.
20 (n) (s) "Retail seller" means that term as defined in section

21 2 of the retail installment sales act, 1966 PA 224, MCL 445.852.

22 (t) "Sales finance company" means that term as defined in

23 section 2 of the motor vehicle sales finance act, MCL 492.102.

PART 3
 REQUIREMENTS FOR OFFERING MOTOR VEHICLE FINANCIAL PROTECTION
 PRODUCTS

27 Sec. 3a. (1) A motor vehicle financial protection product may 28 be offered, sold, or given to a consumer in this state in 29 compliance with this act.

1 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any amount 2 charged or financed for a motor vehicle financial protection 3 product is an authorized charge that must be separately stated and 4 is not to be considered a finance charge or interest. 5 (3) The extension of credit, the terms of credit, and the 6 terms of the related motor vehicle sale or lease must not be 7 conditioned on the consumer's payment for or financing of any charge for a motor vehicle financial protection product. However, a 8 9 motor vehicle financial protection product may be discounted or given at no charge in connection with the purchase of other 10 11 noncredit-related goods or services. PART 4 12 DEBT WAIVERS 13 14 Sec. 4. As used in this part: 15 (a) "Administrator" means a person, other than a creditor or 16 insurer, that performs administrative or operational functions in 17 connection with a debt waiver program. 18 (b) "Borrower" means a debtor, retail buyer, or lessee, under 19 a finance agreement. 20 (c) "Creditor" means a person that is any of the following: 21 (i) The lender in a loan or credit transaction. (ii) The lessor in a lease transaction. 22 (iii) A retail seller of motor vehicles. 23 24 (iv) The seller in a commercial retail installment transaction. 25 (v) An assignee of a person described in subparagraphs (i) to 26 (iv) to whom the credit obligation is payable. 27 (d) "Debt waiver" includes, but is not limited to, a 28 guaranteed asset protection waiver, an excess wear and use waiver, 29 and other products as approved by the director. As used in this

1 subdivision:

2 (i) "Guaranteed asset protection waiver" means a contractual 3 agreement in which a creditor agrees, with or without a separate 4 charge, to cancel or waive all or part of amounts due on a 5 borrower's finance agreement if there is a total physical damage loss or unrecovered theft of a motor vehicle. A guaranteed asset 6 7 protection waiver may also provide, with or without a separate 8 charge, a benefit that waives an amount or that provides a borrower 9 with a credit toward the purchase of a replacement motor vehicle.

10 (*ii*) "Excess wear and use waiver" means a contractual agreement 11 in which a creditor agrees, with or without a separate charge, to 12 cancel or waive all or part of amounts that may become due under a 13 borrower's lease agreement as a result of excessive wear and use of 14 a motor vehicle. An excess wear and use waiver may also cancel or 15 waive amounts due for excess mileage.

Sec. 5. (1) All of the following apply to offering , selling, or providing a guaranteed asset protection debt waiver to a borrower in this state:

19 (a) Beginning 180 days after the effective date of this act, a
20 creditor that offers, sells, or provides a guaranteed asset
21 protection waiver in this state must comply with this act.

(a) (b) A debt waiver, including but not limited to a
guaranteed asset protection waiver or excess wear and use waiver,
must be part of, or a separate addendum to, the finance agreement.
for the motor vehicle.

26 (c) At the option of the creditor, a creditor may sell a
27 guaranteed asset protection waiver for a single payment or may
28 offer a monthly or periodic payment option for a guaranteed asset
29 protection waiver.

(d) Any cost to a borrower for a guaranteed asset protection
 waiver entered into in compliance with the truth in lending act, 15
 USC 1601 to 1667f, and the regulations promulgated under that act,
 12 CFR part 226, must be separately stated and is not considered a
 finance charge or interest.

6 (b) (c) Except as provided in subdivision (f), an installment 7 seller or (c), a retail seller must insure its quaranteed asset 8 protection debt waiver obligations under a contractual liability or 9 other insurance policy issued by an insurer. A creditor that is not 10 an installment seller or **a** retail seller may insure its guaranteed 11 asset protection **debt** waiver obligations under a contractual 12 liability policy or other insurance policy issued by an insurer. Any creditor may obtain an insurance policy described in this 13 14 subdivision directly, or an administrator may obtain that policy on 15 behalf of that creditor to cover the creditor's or a retail 16 seller's obligations.

17 (c) (f) An installment seller or A retail seller that is a 18 lessor of a motor vehicle is not required to insure its guaranteed 19 asset protection debt waiver obligation on the leased vehicle under 20 subdivision (e).(b).

21 (d) (g) A guaranteed asset protection debt waiver contained in
22 a finance agreement remains a part of that contract the finance
23 agreement if the creditor assigns, sells, or transfers that
24 contract.the finance agreement.

25 (h) A creditor shall not condition an extension of credit, the 26 term of credit, or the term of a related motor vehicle sale or 27 lease on the purchase of a guaranteed asset protection waiver. 28 (e) (i) Any A creditor that offers guaranteed asset protection 29 waivers a debt waiver must report all sales to a designated person

a sale of those waivers, the waiver, and forward any payments
 received on those sales, to the designated party, if any,
 prescribed in any applicable administrative services agreement,
 contractual liability policy, other insurance policy, or other
 specified program documents.person any money due to the designated
 person.

7 (f) (j) A creditor or administrator that receives or holds
8 money that belongs to an insurer under the terms of a written
9 agreement for insurance described in subdivision (e) must hold that
10 money in a fiduciary capacity.

11 (2) All of the following apply to a contractual liability or 12 other insurance policy described in subsection (1) (c): (1) (b):

(a) A contractual liability or other insurance policy insuring
a guaranteed asset protection debt waiver must state the obligation
of the insurer to reimburse or pay to the creditor any amount the
creditor is legally obligated to waive under the guaranteed asset
protection debt waiver. issued by the creditor and purchased or

18 held by the borrower.

(b) Coverage under a contractual liability or other insurance policy insuring a guaranteed asset protection debt waiver must also cover any subsequent assignee if the finance agreement is assigned, sold, or transferred.

(c) Coverage under a contractual liability or other insurance
policy insuring a guaranteed asset protection debt waiver must
remain in effect unless canceled or terminated in compliance with
the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.100 to 500.8302.

27 (d) The cancellation or termination of a contractual liability
28 or other insurance policy must not reduce the insurer's
29 responsibility for guaranteed asset protection debt waivers issued

by the creditor before the date of cancellation or termination and
 for which the insurer has received premiums.

3 Sec. 7. A guaranteed asset protection debt waiver must
4 disclose, in writing and in clear, understandable language that is
5 easy to read, all of the following: , if applicable:

6 (a) The name and address of the initial creditor and the
7 borrower at the time of sale, and the identity of any administrator
8 if different from the creditor.

9 (b) The purchase price, if any, and the terms of the quaranteed asset protection debt waiver, including , but not limited to , the requirements for protection, conditions, or exclusions associated with the guaranteed asset protection debt waiver.

(c) That the borrower may cancel the guaranteed asset
protection debt waiver during the free look period specified in the
debt waiver, ; and is entitled to a full refund of the purchase
price paid by the borrower, if any, if the borrower has not
received benefits under the waiver. , or to any full or partial
refund included in the waiver if the borrower has received benefits
under the waiver.

(d) The procedure the borrower must follow, if any, to obtain
guaranteed asset protection debt waiver benefits under the terms
and conditions of the debt waiver, and including, if applicable, a
telephone number or website and address where the borrower may
apply for debt waiver benefits.

(e) Whether or not the borrower may cancel the guaranteed
asset protection debt waiver after the free look period ; and, if
so, the conditions under which the borrower may cancel or terminate
that the waiver, ; and including the procedure the borrower must

1 follow to request any refund due.of amounts paid.

2 (f) That in order to receive any refund due for the 3 cancellation of the guaranteed asset protection debt waiver, or the early termination of the finance agreement after the free look 4 period, the borrower, in accordance with the terms of the debt 5 6 waiver, must provide a written request for a refund to cancel to 7 the creditor, administrator, or other party named in the waiver. 8 within 90 days after the cancellation of the guaranteed asset 9 protection waiver or the occurrence of the event terminating the 10 finance agreement. If the cancellation of the debt waiver is because 11 of the early termination of the finance agreement and no benefit 12 has been or will be provided, the borrower, in accordance with the terms of the debt waiver, must provide a written request to cancel 13 14 to the creditor, administrator, or other party named in the waiver 15 not later than 90 days after the occurrence of the event 16 terminating the finance agreement.

(g) The methodology for calculating any refund of the unearned purchase price of a guaranteed asset protection the debt waiver, if any, that will be due to a borrower for the cancellation of a guaranteed asset protection if the debt waiver is canceled or early termination of the finance agreement is terminated early.

(h) That a creditor may not condition an extension of credit,
the terms of that credit, or the terms of the related finance
agreement motor vehicle sale or lease on the purchase of a
guaranteed asset protection debt waiver.

26 Sec. 9. All of the following apply concerning to the
27 cancellation of guaranteed asset protection debt waivers:

28 (a) A creditor may offer a guaranteed asset protection debt29 waiver agreement that is cancelable or not cancelable after the

1 free look period. A guaranteed asset protection debt waiver must
2 provide that if a borrower cancels the debt waiver during the free
3 look period, the borrower is entitled to a full refund of the
4 purchase price amount the borrower paid, if any, if the borrower
5 has not received benefits under the waiver. , or to any full or
6 partial refund included in the waiver if the borrower has received
7 benefits under the waiver.

8 (b) If a borrower cancels the guaranteed asset protection debt 9 waiver, or **if** the finance agreement is terminated **early**, after the 10 free look period, the borrower may be entitled to a refund of any 11 unearned portion of the purchase price, of the waiver unless the waiver provides otherwise. In order to if any, less a cancellation 12 13 fee of up to \$75.00, if no benefit has been or will be provided. To 14 receive a refund due because of the borrower's cancellation of the 15 debt waiver, the borrower , must provide a written request to cancel, in accordance with the terms of the debt waiver, to the 16 creditor , or administrator. , or other party, If the cancellation 17 18 is because of the early termination of the finance agreement, the 19 borrower, in accordance with the debt waiver agreement, must 20 provide a written request to cancel to the creditor or 21 administrator within 90 days after the cancellation of the waiver 22 or the occurrence of the event terminating the finance agreement. τ 23 that meets any applicable notice provisions of the waiver.

(c) If the cancellation of a guaranteed asset protection debt
waiver occurs as a result of a default under a the finance
agreement, the repossession of the motor vehicle associated with
the finance agreement, or any other termination of the finance
agreement, any refund due may be paid directly to the creditor or
administrator and applied as set forth in subdivision (d).

1 (d) A creditor may apply any cancellation refund received 2 under subdivision (a), (b), or (c) as a reduction of the amount 3 owed under the finance agreement, unless the borrower can show that 4 the finance agreement has been paid in full. 5 Sec. 9a. (1) This act does not apply to a debt waiver offered 6 by a state or federal bank, savings bank, or credit union in 7 compliance with the applicable state or federal law. 8 (2) Section 5(1)(d) and part 6 do not apply to a debt waiver 9 offered in connection with a commercial transaction. 10 PART 5 11 VEHICLE VALUE PROTECTION AGREEMENTS 12 Sec. 10. As used in this part: 13 (a) "Administrator" means the person who may be responsible 14 for the administrative or operational function of vehicle value 15 protection agreements, including but not limited to the adjudication of claims or benefit requests by contract holders. 16 17 (b) "Contract holder" means a person who is the purchaser or 18 holder of a vehicle value protection agreement. 19 (c) "Provider" means a person that is obligated to provide a 20 benefit under a vehicle value protection agreement. A provider may 21 perform as an administrator or retain the services of a third-party 22 administrator. 23 (d) "Vehicle value protection agreement" includes a 24 contractual agreement that provides a benefit toward either the 25 reduction of some or all of the contract holder's current finance 26 agreement deficiency balance, or toward the purchase or lease of a 27 replacement motor vehicle or motor vehicle services, on the 28 occurrence of an adverse event to the motor vehicle, including but 29 not limited to loss, theft, damage, obsolescence, diminished value,

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or depreciation. Vehicle value protection agreement may include an
 agreement such as, but not limited to, a trade-in-credit agreement,
 diminished value agreement, depreciation benefit agreement, or
 other similarly named agreement. Vehicle value protection agreement
 does not include a debt waiver.

6 Sec. 10a. All of the following are requirements for offering7 vehicle value protection agreements:

8 (a) A provider may, but is not required to, use an 9 administrator or other designee to be responsible for all of the 10 administration of vehicle value protection agreements in compliance 11 with this act.

(b) A vehicle value protection agreement must not be sold
unless the contract holder has been or will be provided access to a
copy of the vehicle value protection agreement.

15 (c) To assure the faithful performance of the provider's
16 obligations to its contract holders, the provider must be
17 responsible for complying with 1 of the following:

18 (i) Insuring all of its vehicle value protection agreements 19 under a reimbursement insurance policy issued by an insurer at the 20 time the policy is filed with the director, and continuously after 21 the time the policy is filed complying with either of the 22 following:

23 (A) Doing all of the following:

(I) Maintaining surplus as to policyholders and paid-incapital of \$15,000,000.00 or more.

(II) Annually filing copies of the insurer's financial
statements and National Association of Insurance Commissioners
annual statements and of the actuarial certification required by
and filed in the insurer's state of domicile.

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(B) Doing all of the following:

2 (I) Maintaining surplus as to policyholders and paid-in
3 capital of less than \$15,000,000.00 but not less than
4 \$10,000,000.00.

5 (II) Demonstrating to the satisfaction of the director that 6 the insurer maintains a ratio of net written premiums, wherever 7 written, to surplus as to policyholders and paid-in capital of not 8 greater than 3 to 1.

9 (III) Annually filing copies of the insurer's audited 10 financial statements and National Association of Insurance 11 Commissioners annual statements and the actuarial certification 12 required by and filed in the insurer's state of domicile.

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(*ii*) Doing both of the following:

(A) Maintaining a funded reserve account for its obligations
under its contracts issued and outstanding in this state. The
reserves must not be less than 40% of gross consideration received,
less claims paid, on the sale of the vehicle value protection
agreements for all in-force contracts. The reserve account must be
subject to examination and review by the director.

(B) Placing in trust with the director a financial security deposit that has a value of 5% or more of the gross consideration received, less claims paid, on the sale of the vehicle value protection agreements for all vehicle value protection agreements issued and in force, but not less than \$25,000.00, consisting of 1 of the following:

26 (I) A surety bond issued by an authorized surety.

27 (II) Securities of the type eligible for deposit by insurers.

28 (III) Cash.

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(IV) A letter of credit issued by a qualified financial

1 institution.

2 (V) Another form of security prescribed by regulations issued3 by the director.

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(iii) Doing both of the following:

5 (A) Maintaining, alone or with the provider's parent company,
6 a net worth or stockholders' equity of \$100,000,000.00.

7 (B) On request, providing the director with a copy of the 8 provider's or the provider's parent company's most recent Form 10-K 9 or Form 20-F filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission 10 within the most recent calendar year before the request or, if the 11 company does not file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, 12 a copy of the provider's or the provider's parent company's audited 13 financial statements that show a net worth of the provider or the 14 provider's parent company of at least \$100,000,000.00. If the 15 provider's parent company's Form 10-K, Form 20-F, or financial 16 statements are filed to meet the provider's financial security 17 requirement, the parent company must agree to guarantee the 18 obligations of the provider relating to vehicle value protection 19 agreements sold by the provider in this state.

20 (d) Except for the requirements in subdivision (c), no other
21 financial security requirements must be required for vehicle value
22 protection agreement providers.

23 Sec. 10b. A vehicle value protection agreement must disclose 24 in writing and in clear, understandable language that is easy to 25 read, all of the following:

26 (a) The name and address of the provider, contract holder, and27 administrator, if any.

(b) The terms of the vehicle value protection agreement,including but not limited to the purchase price to be paid by the

contract holder, if any, the requirements for eligibility,
 conditions of coverage, or exclusions.

3 (c) That the vehicle value protection agreement may be 4 canceled by the contract holder during a free look period as 5 specified in the vehicle value protection agreement, and if the 6 agreement is so canceled, the contract holder will be entitled to a 7 full refund of the purchase price paid by the contract holder, if 8 any, if no benefits have been provided.

9 (d) The procedure the contract holder must follow, if any, to 10 obtain a benefit under the terms and conditions of the vehicle 11 value protection agreement, including, if applicable, a telephone 12 number or website and address where the contract holder may apply 13 for a benefit.

(e) Whether the vehicle value protection agreement is
cancellable after the free look period and the conditions under
which it may be canceled including the procedures for requesting
any refund of the unearned purchase price paid by the contract
holder.

(f) If the vehicle value protection agreement is canceled, the
methodology for calculating any refund of the unearned purchase
price of the vehicle value protection agreement that is due.

(g) That neither the extension of credit, the terms of the credit, nor the terms of the related motor vehicle sale or lease may be conditioned on the purchase of the vehicle value protection agreement.

(h) The terms, restrictions, or conditions governing
cancellation of the vehicle value protection agreement before the
termination or expiration date of the vehicle value protection
agreement by either the provider or the contract holder. The

1 provider of the vehicle value protection agreement shall mail a 2 written notice to the contract holder at the last known address of 3 the contract holder contained in the records of the provider not 4 less than 5 days before cancellation by the provider. Prior notice is not required if the reason for cancellation is nonpayment of the 5 6 provider fee, a material misrepresentation by the contract holder 7 to the provider or administrator, or a substantial breach of duties 8 by the contract holder relating to the covered product or its use. 9 The notice must state the effective date of the cancellation and 10 the reason for the cancellation. If a vehicle value protection 11 agreement is canceled by the provider for a reason other than nonpayment of the provider fee, the provider shall refund to the 12 13 contract holder 100% of the unearned pro rata provider fee paid by 14 the contract holder, if any. If coverage under the vehicle value 15 protection agreement continues after a claim, claims paid may be deducted from any refund. A reasonable administrative fee may be 16 17 charged by the provider up to \$75.00.

18 Sec. 10c. Section 10b and part 6 do not apply to a vehicle 19 value protection agreement offered in connection with a commercial 20 transaction.

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PART 6

ENFORCEMENT

Sec. 11. The commissioner director may take any action he or she determines is necessary or appropriate to enforce this act and to protect guaranteed asset motor vehicle financial protection waiver holders product consumers in this state, including , but not limited to , doing any of the following after proper notice and an opportunity for hearing under the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328:

(a) Order a creditor, administrator, or any other person that
 does not comply with this act to cease and desist from further
 guaranteed asset motor vehicle financial protection waiver-related
 product-related operations that violate this act.

5 (b) Assess an administrative fine of not more than \$500.00 6 against a person for a violation of this act. However, the 7 commissioner may not assess administrative fines under this act against any person that in the aggregate are more than \$20,000.00 8 9 for multiple violations of a similar nature. For purposes of this 10 subdivision, "similar nature" means that the violations consist of 11 the same or a similar course of conduct, action, or practice, regardless of the number of times that action, conduct, or practice 12 13 occurs.

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PART 9

APPLICABILITY

Sec. 14. This act as amended by the amendatory act that added 16 17 this section applies to a motor vehicle financial protection product that becomes effective on or after 180 days after the 18 effective date of the amendatory act that added this section. 19 20 Enacting section 1. Section 13 of the guaranteed asset protection waiver act, 2009 PA 229, MCL 492.33, is repealed. 21 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect 22 23 unless all of the following bills of the 101st Legislature are 24 enacted into law: 25 (a) Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 5430 (request no. 04458'21 a). 26

27 (b) Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 5431 (request no.
28 04458'21 b).

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(c) Senate Bill No.____ or House Bill No. 5432 (request no.

1 04458'21 c).