HOUSE BILL No. 4541

March 22, 2005, Introduced by Rep. Byrum and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 1998 PA 58, entitled "Michigan liquor control code of 1998,"

by amending section 518 (MCL 436.1518), as added by 2002 PA 725.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 518. (1) As used in this section:
- 2 (a) "Motorsports entertainment complex" means a closed-course
- 3 motorsports facility and its ancillary grounds that comply with all
 4 of the following:
- 5 (i) Has at least $\frac{70,000}{1,500}$ fixed seats for race patrons.
 - (ii) Has at least 7 scheduled days of motorsports events each calendar year.
 - (iii) Has at least 4 motorsports events each calendar year.

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- 1 (iv) Serves food and beverages at the facility during
- 2 sanctioned MOTORSPORTS events each calendar year through concession
- 3 outlets, a majority of which are staffed by individuals who
- 4 represent or are members of 1 or more nonprofit civic or charitable
- 5 organizations that directly financially benefit from the concession
- 6 outlets' sales.
- (v) Engages in tourism promotion.
- (vi) Has located on the property exhibitions of motorsports
- 9 history, events, or vehicles.
- 10 (b) "Motorsports event" means a motorsports race and its
- 11 ancillary activities that have been sanctioned by a sanctioning
- **12** body.
- 13 (c) "Owner" means a person who owns and operates a motorsports
- 14 entertainment complex.
- 15 (d) "Sanctioning body" means the American motorcycle
- 16 association (AMA); auto racing club of America (ARCA); championship
- 17 auto racing teams (CART); grand American road racing association
- 18 (GRAND AM); Indy racing league (IRL); national association for
- 19 stock car auto racing (NASCAR); nation hot rod association (NHRA);
- 20 professional sportscar racing (PSR); sports car club of america
- 21 (SCCA); United States auto club (USAC); MICHIGAN STATE PROMOTERS
- 22 ASSOCIATION; or any successor organization or any other nationally
- 23 or internationally recognized governing body of motorsports that
- 24 establishes an annual schedule of motorsports events and grants
- 25 rights to conduct the events, that has established and administers
- 26 rules and regulations governing all participants involved in the
- 27 events and all persons conducting the events, and that requires

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- 1 certain liability assurances, including insurance.
- 2 (2) For a period of time not to exceed 7 consecutive days
- 3 during which public access is permitted to a motorsports
- 4 entertainment complex in connection with a motorsports event,
- 5 members of the general public at least 21 years or older may bring
- 6 alcoholic liquor not purchased at the motorsports entertainment
- 7 complex into the motorsports entertainment complex and possess and
- 8 consume that alcoholic liquor. Possession and consumption of
- 9 alcoholic liquor under this section are allowed in portions of the
- 10 motorsports entertainment complex open to the general public that
- 11 are also part of the licensed premises of a retail licensee only
- under both of the following circumstances:
- 14 motorsports entertainment complex.
- 15 (b) The retail licensee holds a license for consumption on the
- 16 licensed premises of the motorsports entertainment complex.
- 17 (3) A person holding a license for the sale of alcoholic
- 18 liquor for consumption on the premises at a motorsports
- 19 entertainment complex is subject to the civil liability provisions
- 20 of section 801 if the civil action is brought by or on behalf of an
- 21 individual who suffers damage or is personally injured by a minor
- 22 or visibly intoxicated person by reason of the unlawful consumption
- 23 of alcoholic liquor on the licensed premises by that minor or
- 24 visibly intoxicated person if the unlawful consumption is proven to
- 25 be a proximate cause of the damage, injury, or death of the
- 26 individual, whether the alcoholic liquor was sold or furnished by
- 27 the licensee or was brought onto the licensed premises under

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1 subsection (2).