

SENATE BILL NO. 511

September 03, 2025, Introduced by Senators KLINEFELT, SHINK, LINDSEY, BELLINO, IRWIN, CHERRY, BAYER and SANTANA and referred to Committee on Regulatory Affairs.

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled
"The Michigan penal code,"
by amending section 301 (MCL 750.301), as amended by 2002 PA 672.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 301. (1) ~~Any~~**Except as otherwise allowed by law, a**
2 person, ~~or his or her~~**whether acting on the person's own behalf or**
3 **as an** agent or employee, who, directly or indirectly, takes,
4 receives, or accepts from any person ~~any~~ money or **a** valuable thing
5 with the agreement, understanding, or allegation that ~~any~~ money or
6 **a** valuable thing will be paid or delivered to any person, ~~where~~**-if**
7 the payment or delivery is alleged to be or ~~will be~~**is** contingent

1 ~~upon~~ on the result of ~~any~~ a race, contest, or game or ~~upon~~ on the
2 happening of ~~any~~ an event not known by the parties to be certain,
3 is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more
4 than 1 year or a fine of not more than ~~\$1,000.00~~ \$5,000.00.

5 (2) This section does not apply to a game, wager, or other
6 transaction to which all of the following apply:

7 (a) The transaction is incidental to a bona fide social
8 relationship.

9 (b) Not more than 100 individuals participate in the
10 transaction.

11 (c) The maximum total amount wagered by an individual is
12 \$25.00.

13 (d) Other than the wagers, no other money or thing of value is
14 paid to participate in the transaction.

15 (e) The entire amount of the wagers is paid to 1 or more
16 participants as a prize.

17 (f) The organizer of the game, wager, or other transaction is
18 a participant, and the benefit to the organizer is only the
19 potential to win the same prizes eligible to be won by other
20 participants.

21 (g) The game, wager, or other transaction does not take place
22 inside a gambling establishment, restaurant, entertainment venue,
23 or bar, and is not promoted by a business with the intent to bring
24 in extra customers to the business.