House File 161

H-1002

- 1 Amend House File 161 as follows:
- 2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
- 3 inserting:
- 4 <Section 1. Section 147.136A, subsection 1, paragraph b,
- 5 Code 2023, is amended to read as follows:
- 6 b. (1) "Noneconomic damages" means damages arising from
- 7 pain, suffering, inconvenience, physical impairment, mental
- 8 anguish, emotional pain and suffering, loss of chance, loss of
- 9 consortium, or any other nonpecuniary damages.
- 10 (2) "Noneconomic damages" does not include the loss of
- 11 dependent care, including the loss of child care, due to the
- 12 death of or severe injury to a spouse or parent who is the
- 13 primary caregiver of a child under the age of eighteen or a
- 14 disabled adult. Such damages shall be considered economic
- 15 damages.
- 16 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate
- 17 importance, takes effect upon enactment.
- 18 Sec. 3. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to causes of action
- 19 accrued on or after the effective date of this Act.>

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