Adopted AMENDMENT No. 5 TO AMENDMENT No. 1 PROPOSED TO

House Bill NO. 2

By Senator(s) Robertson

- AMEND by deleting lines 768 through 779 and inserting the
- 2 following after line 460:
- 3 **SECTION *.** (1) Except as provided in Section 41-105-15,
- 4 compensation for the noneconomic damages suffered by an injured
- 5 plaintiff in any civil action shall not exceed the amount of Two
- 6 Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00).
- 7 (2) If liability is found, then the trier of fact, in
- 8 addition to other appropriate findings, shall make separate
- 9 findings specifying the total amount of noneconomic damages and
- 10 the total amount of actual economic damages for each separate
- 11 claimant in a manner that the court may apply the restrictions of
- 12 this section.
- 13 (3) The trier of fact shall not be advised of the
- 14 limitations imposed by this section.
- 15 (4) For the purposes of this section, the following words
- 16 and phrases shall have the meanings ascribed herein unless the
- 17 context clearly requires otherwise:
- 18 (a) "Noneconomic damages" means subjective,
- 19 nonpecuniary damages arising from death, pain, suffering,
- 20 inconvenience, physical impairment, disfigurement, mental anguish,
- 21 worry, emotional distress, loss of society and companionship, loss
- 22 of consortium, bystander injury, injury to reputation,
- 23 humiliation, loss of the enjoyment of life, hedonic damages, other

- 24 nonpecuniary damages, and any other theory of damages such as fear
- of loss, illness or injury. The term "noneconomic damages" shall
- 26 not include punitive damages.
- 27 (b) "Actual economic damages" means objectively
- 28 verifiable pecuniary damages arising from medical expenses and
- 29 medical care, rehabilitation services, custodial care,
- 30 disabilities, loss of earnings and earning capacity, loss of
- 31 income, burial costs, loss of use of property, costs of repair of
- 32 replacement of property, costs of obtaining substitute domestic
- 33 services, loss of employment, loss of business or employment
- 34 opportunities, and other objectively verifiable monetary losses.
- FURTHER, AMEND the title to conform.