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SENATE BILL 212

44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999

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AN ACT

RELATING TO CIVIL DAMAGES; PROVIDING A LIMITATION ON THE
AMOUNT OF PUNITIVE DAMAGES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. LIMITATION ON THE AMOUNT OF PUNITIVE DAMAGES
IN CIVIL ACTIONS. --An award of punitive damages in a civil
action shall not exceed three hundred thousand dollars
(\$300,000) except in cases of bodily injury that require long-
term care and result in permanent or prolonged impairment of
the use of any member or organ of the body.

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