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AN ACT Relating to manufacturer liability; and adding a new section to chapter 7.72 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

MEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 7.72 RCW to read as follows:

A manufacturer of goods is not liable for harm caused by defects in goods attributed to such a manufacturer where the goods have been purchased through a chain of distribution that does not establish the manufacturer as the lawful source of the defective product. This section does not apply where the harm is caused by:

- (1) Willful or wanton acts of negligence by the manufacturer;
- 12 (2) Conscious indifference or reckless disregard for the safety of others by the manufacturer; or
- 14 (3) Intentional conduct on the part of the manufacturer.

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