

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2015 and 2016 HB4663

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

710 ILCS 5/1

from Ch. 10, par. 101

Amends the Uniform Arbitration Act. Provides that no agreement to arbitrate any liability arising out of the employment of a seaman, master, or crew member of any vessel is binding or enforceable. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning alternate dispute resolution. 1

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 2 represented in the General Assembly: 3

Section 5. The Uniform Arbitration Act is amended by 4 5 changing Section 1 as follows:

(710 ILCS 5/1) (from Ch. 10, par. 101) 6

Sec. 1. Validity of arbitration agreement. A written agreement to submit any existing controversy to arbitration or a provision in a written contract to submit to arbitration any controversy thereafter arising between the parties is valid, enforceable and irrevocable save upon such grounds as exist for the revocation of any contract, except that: (1) any agreement between a patient and a hospital or health care provider to submit to binding arbitration a claim for damages arising out of (A) (1) injuries alleged to have been received by a patient, or (B) (2) death of a patient, due to hospital or health care provider negligence or other wrongful act, but not including intentional torts, is also subject to the Health Care Arbitration Act; and (2) no agreement to arbitrate any liability associated with or arising out of the employment of any seaman, master, or member of the crew of any vessel is binding or enforceable.

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(Source: P.A. 80-1012; 80-1031.) 23

- 1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 2 becoming law.