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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to limitation on liability for products; creating s. 768.1259, F.S.; defining the term "seller"; prohibiting a person from commencing or maintaining a civil claim or action against the seller of a product based on any legal theory that the product caused harm unless certain specified conditions are satisfied; providing that the seller of a product is subject to an action for product liability if the manufacturer of the product is not subject to personal jurisdiction in this state; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 768.1259, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

768.1259 Protection from liability for sellers.--

(1) As used in this section, the term "seller" means a person who sells a product as a retailer, distributor, or wholesaler, or who otherwise transfers a product to another for compensation.

(2) A person may not commence or maintain a civil claim or action against the seller of a product based on any legal theory that the product caused harm of any kind unless the seller:

(a) Manufactured, produced, or designed the product;
or

