

**LIABILITY OF INNKEEPERS FOR PERSONAL PROPERTY OF GUESTS (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 42 of 1905**

**427.101 Liability of innkeeper for loss of or injury to personal property of guest; limitations; bed and breakfast included in "hotel" or "inn."**

Sec. 1.

(1) The liability of the keeper of any inn, whether individual, partnership, or corporation, for loss of or injury to personal property of the innkeeper's guest, shall be that of a depository for hire, except that in no case shall such liability exceed the sum of \$250.00; and in case of the loss of a trunk or chest, and its contents, it shall not exceed the sum of \$150.00; in case of the loss of a traveling bag or dress suitcase, and contents, it shall not exceed the sum of \$50.00; and in case of the loss of a box, bundle, or package, and contents, it shall not exceed the sum of \$10.00. Nothing in this act shall prohibit an innkeeper from assuming a greater liability than the sum of \$250.00 for the personal effects of the innkeeper's guest if the undertaking and agreement is in writing, stating the kind of personal property received and the value thereof, the kind and extent of the liability of the innkeeper, and is signed by the guests and the innkeeper or the innkeeper's clerk. Nothing in this section shall preclude any remedy now existing for the enforcement of the hotel keeper's or innkeeper's lien.

(2) For the purposes of this act, "hotel" or "inn" includes a bed and breakfast as defined in section 12901 of the public health code, Act No. 368 of the Public Acts of 1978, being section 333.12901 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

**History:** 1905, Act 42, Imd. Eff. Apr. 5, 1905 ;-- CL 1915, 6929 ;-- CL 1929, 8803 ;-- CL 1948, 427.101 ;-- Am. 1987, Act 115, Imd. Eff. July 13, 1987

**Former Law:** See Act 15 of 1875, being CL 1897, Â§ 5316, and Act 227 of 1897, being CL 1897, Â§ 5315.