

**Public Policy Position
HB 5611**

The Children's Law Section is a voluntary membership section of the State Bar of Michigan, comprised of 471 members. The Children's Law Section is not the State Bar of Michigan and the position expressed herein is that of the Children's Law Section only and not the State Bar of Michigan. To date, the State Bar does not have a position on this item.

The Children's Law Section has a public policy decision-making body with 19 members. On April 18, 2024, the Section adopted its position after a discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. 12 members voted in favor of the Section's position, 0 members voted against this position, 0 members abstained, 7 members did not vote.

Support**Explanation:**

The Children's Law Section supports HB 5611, which would require mandated reporters to attend continued education at least once every three years. Given the serious nature of the mandated reporting responsibilities, the section believes that keeping up-to-date on requirements and any changes in how to identify child abuse or neglect.

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