

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

President Grieco called the teleconference meeting of the Board to order at 4:05 p.m. on, Tuesday, May 21, 2019

Commissioners Present:

Danielle Mason Anderson Dennis M. Barnes, President-Elect

Joseph J. Baumann

Robert J. Buchanan, Vice President

B.D. "Chris" Christenson Richard L. Cunningham Syeda F. Davidson Josephine A. DeLorenzo Andrew F. Fink III

Jennifer M. Grieco, President

Lisa J. Hamameh

Kara R. Hart-Negrich
James W. Heath, Treasurer
Edward L. Haroutunian
Thomas H. Howlett
Joseph P. McGill
Barry R. Powers
Daniel D. Quick
Victoria A. Radke
Dana M. Warnez, Secretary

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Ryan Zemke

Commissioners absent and excused:

Aaron V. Burrell David C. Anderson Shauna L. Dunnings Michael S. Hohauser Hon. Clinton Canady III E. Thomas McCarthy Jr. Hon. David A. Perkins Chelsea M. Rebeck Gregory L. Ulrich

State Bar Staff present:

Janet Welch, Executive Director
Marge Bossenbery, Executive Coordinator
Peter Cunningham, Assistant Executive Director and Director, Governmental Relations
Kathryn Hennessey, Public Policy Counsel

Legislation:

HB 4488 and 4489:

HB 4488 (Iden) Occupations: individual licensing and registration; Occupations: other; State agencies (existing): licensing and regulatory affairs; State agencies (existing): boards and commissions. Occupations; individual licensing and registration; use of criminal record to determine eligibility for occupational licensing; restrict. Amends title & secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7 of 1974 PA 381 (MCL 338.41 et seq.).

HB 4489 (Bellino) Occupations; attorneys; qualifications for admission to state bar; clarify good moral character requirement. Amends sec. 934 of 1961 PA 236 (MCL 600.934).

A motion was offered and seconded that these bills are Keller permissible because they directly impact the regulation of the legal profession. The motion carried.

A motion was offered and supported to support HB 4489 and to support amending HB 4488 so that the provisions of the bill do not apply to attorneys. The motion carried.

Judiciary Budget: Executive Recommendation and SB 142 (S-1): The Executive Recommendation and SB 142 propose a total of \$309 million to fund the Michigan Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, Judicial compensation, Judicial Tenure Commission, the State Appellate Defender Office, and various other programs and initiatives, such as specialty courts, e-filing, and indigent civil legal assistance.

A motion was offered and seconded that the Executive Recommendation and bill are Keller permissible because they impact improvement of the functioning of the courts and the availability of legal services to society. The motion carried.

A motion was offered and supported to support the Judiciary Budget as contained in SB 142 (S-1). The motion carried.

Funding for the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission: Executive Recommendation and SB 143 (S-1): The Board has previously supported adequate funding of the MIDC. The Executive Recommendation and SB 143 contain \$205,000 to allow the MIDC to comply with its new legislatively-mandated duty to provide MIDC-funded training and education and measure the quality of training. The House version of the budget does not contain these funds.

A motion was offered and seconded that this bill and Executive Recommendation are Keller permissible because they impact the availability of legal services to society. The motion carried.

A motion was offered and supported to support the proposed budget for the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission as contained in SB 143 (S-1). The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:38 p.m.