

## Public Policy Position HR 155

The Animal Law Section is a voluntary membership section of the State Bar of Michigan, comprised of 244 members. The Animal Law Section is not the State Bar of Michigan and the position expressed herein is that of the Animal Law Section only and not the State Bar of Michigan. To date, the State Bar does not have a position on this item.

The Animal Law Section has a public policy decision-making body with 15 members. On March 11, 2022, the Section adopted its position after an electronic discussion and vote. 13 members voted in favor of the Section's position, 0 members voted against this position, 0 members abstained, 2 members did not vote.

## Support

## **Explanation:**

The Animal Law Section supports HR 155, which encourages Michigan's public universities to eliminate painful experiments on dogs. Research shows that the public objects to the use of taxpayer dollars for this type of experimentation. There are human-relevant research options available, such as human tissue and stem cell studies, clinical trials, and population studies, making painful and invasive experiments on dogs unnecessary and wasteful.

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