

**Public Policy Position
HB 5940**

The Children's Law Section is a voluntary membership section of the State Bar of Michigan, comprised of 506 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 18 members. On May 19, 2022, the Section adopted its position after a discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. 10 members voted in favor of the Section's position, 0 members voted against this position, 0 members abstained, 8 members did not vote.

Oppose

Explanation

Children's Law Section opposes this bill for the reason that the definitional language for "serious mental or emotional abuse" is overly broad and poorly worded.

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