

ELDER LAW & DISABILITY RIGHTS SECTION  
Respectfully submits the following position on:

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SB 0551 H-1

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The position expressed is that of the Elder Law & Disability Rights Section only and is not the position of the State Bar of Michigan.

To date, the State Bar does not have a position on this matter.

The total membership of the Elder Law & Disability Rights Section is 1,287.

The position was adopted after discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. The number of members in the decision-making body is 20. The number who voted in favor to this position was 18. The number who voted opposed to this position was 0.

## Report on Public Policy Position

**Name of section:**

Elder Law & Disability Rights Section

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**Bill Number:**

[SB 0551 H-1](#) (Schuitmaker) Probate; wills and estates; designation of a funeral representative to make disposition arrangements for decedent; provide for. Amends secs. 1104, 2801, 2803, 2807, 3206, 3207, 3209, 3614 & 3701 of [1998 PA 386](#) (MCL [700.1104](#) et seq.), adds secs. 3206a & 3206b & repeal sec. 3208 of 1998 PA 386 (MCL [700.3208](#)).

**Date position was adopted:**

February 6, 2016

**Process used to take the ideological position:**

Position adopted after discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting.

**Number of members in the decision-making body:**

20

**Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:**

18 Voted for position

0 Voted against position

0 Abstained from vote

2 Did not vote (absent)

**Position:**

Support

**The text of any legislation, court rule, or administrative regulation that is the subject of or referenced in this report.**

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