

## **ELDER LAW & DISABILITY RIGHTS LAW SECTION**

## Public Policy Position SB 0033

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The Elder Law & Disability Rights Section has a public policy decision-making body with 20 members. On February 6, 2021, the Section adopted its position after a discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. 19 members voted in favor of the Section's position on SB 0033, 0 members voted against this position, 0 members abstained, 1 member did not vote.

## **Explanation:**

ELDRS supports SB 0033 in concept for allowing electronic monitor devices in nursing homes as resident rights but ELDRS opposes SB 0033 in its present form as it is substantially unchanged from 2020's final version of SB 0077 regarding cameras in nursing homes. SB 0033 does not allow for the effective use of cameras in resident's rooms or for such video recordings to be used as evidence in a court proceeding. In its present form, the SB 0077 better serves the nursing home industry than the residents

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