

**Public Policy Position
SB 1182 and SB 1183**

The Probate & Estate Planning Section is a voluntary membership section of the State Bar of Michigan, comprised of 3,280 members. The Probate & Estate Planning Section is not the State Bar of Michigan and the position expressed herein is that of the Probate & Estate Planning Section only and not the State Bar of Michigan. The State Bar's position on this legislation is to oppose SB 1182 and SB 1183.

The Probate & Estate Planning Section has a public policy decision-making body with 22 members. On November 17, 2018, the Section adopted its position after a discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. 15 members voted in favor of the Section's position on SB 1182 and SB 1183, 0 members voted against this position, 0 members abstained, 7 members did not vote.

OPPOSE**Explanation:**

Unless the State Bar of Michigan takes a position on the legislation, the Probate and Estate Planning Section opposes Senate Bills 1182 and 1183 regarding assessing the prevailing party's attorney fees against the non-prevailing party in civil litigation.

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