

PROBATE & ESTATE PLANNING SECTION

Respectfully submits the following position on:

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HB 5139 and SB 0649

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The Probate & Estate Planning Section is not the State Bar of Michigan itself, but rather a Section which members of the State Bar choose voluntarily to join, based on common professional interest.

The position expressed is that of the Probate & Estate Planning 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 Probate & Estate Planning Section is 3,697.

The position was adopted after a discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. The number of members in the decision-making body is 23. The number who voted in favor to this position was 21. The number who voted opposed to this position was 0.

## Report on Public Policy Position

**Name of section:**

Probate & Estate Planning Section

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**Bill Numbers:**

[HB 5139](#) (Pettalia) Property; conveyances; joint tenancy; clarify ability to create unequal joint interests. Amends sec. 49 of 1846 RS 65 (MCL [565.49](#)).

[SB 0649](#) (Casperson) Property; conveyances; joint tenancy; clarify ability to create unequal joint interests. Amends sec. 49 of 1846 RS 65 (MCL [565.49](#)).

**Date position was adopted:**

December 19, 2015

**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:**

23

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

21 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.**

<http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2015-HB-5139>

<http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2015-SB-0649>