

BUSINESS LAW SECTION Respectfully submits the following position on:

* SB 0707

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The Business Law 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 Business Law Section only and is not the position of the State Bar of Michigan.

The State Bar's position on this matter is support.

The total membership of the Business Law Section is 3,353.

The position was adopted after discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. The number of members in the decision-making body is 15. The number who voted in favor to this position was 15. The number who voted opposed to this position was 0.



Report on Public Policy Position

Name of section: Business Law Section

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Bill Number:

<u>SB 0707</u> (Schuitmaker) Civil procedure; discovery; uniform interstate depositions and discovery act; adopt. Amends sec. 1852 of 1961 PA 236 (MCL 600.1852) & adds ch. 22.

Date position was adopted:

December 3, 2011

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:

15

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:

15 Voted for position 0 Voted against position 0 Abstained from vote 0 Did not vote

Position:

Support

Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:

The bill is supported as proposed because the Section believes it effectively achieves its stated objectives.

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?2011-SB-0707

FOR LEGISLATIVE ISSUES ONLY:

This position falls within the following Keller-permissible category:

- The regulation and discipline of attorneys
- \checkmark The improvement of the functioning of the courts



The availability of legal services to society

The regulation of attorney trust accounts

The regulation of the legal profession, including the education, the ethics, the competency, and the integrity of the profession.