

CIVIL PROCEDURE & COURTS COMMITTEE  
Respectfully submits the following position on:

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HB 4570

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The Civil Procedure & Courts Committee is comprised of members appointed by the President of the State Bar of Michigan.

The position expressed is that of the Civil Procedure & Courts Committee. The State Bar of Michigan has authorized the Civil Procedure & Courts Committee to advocate its position.

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

The total membership of the Civil Procedure & Courts Committee is 18.

The position was adopted after discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. The number of members in the decision-making body is 18. The number who voted in favor to this position was 13. The number who voted against it was 0.

## Report on Public Policy Position

**Name of committee:**

Civil Procedure & Courts Committee

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**Bill Number:**

[HB 4570](#)(Cotter) Courts, juries; Higher education, students. Courts; juries; eligibility to postpone jury service of students; expand to include full-time higher education students under certain circumstances. Amends sec. 1335 of 1961 PA 236 (MCL 600.1335).

**Date position was adopted:**

May 18, 2013

**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:**

18

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

13 Voted for position

0 Voted against position

0 Abstained from vote

5 Did not vote

**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?2013-HB-4570>

**FOR LEGISLATIVE ISSUES ONLY:**

This position falls within the following Keller-permissible category:

- The regulation and discipline of attorneys
- ✓ 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.

**Keller-permissible explanation:**

The bill does not exempt students from jury service but rather postpones service to a time when studies and class schedules will not be interrupted. Therefore, the jury pool should not be diminished and the courts should not be negatively impacted.