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The Honorable Beverly S. Hammerstrom
State Senator
State Capitol
P.O. Box 30036
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Re: SB 113 Required Jury Service

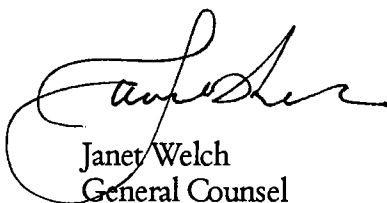
Dear Senator Hammerstrom:

At its September 21, 2005 meeting, the State Bar of Michigan's Board of Commissioners unanimously voted to **oppose in principle**¹ SB 113.


We have enclosed for your review the Criminal Jurisprudence and Practice Committee's position, which was endorsed by the Standing Committee on Justice Initiatives. Please note that these comments do not necessarily reflect the position of the State Bar.

If you would like to discuss this position in further detail or have questions, please contact Janet Welch directly at (517) 346-6375, jwelch@mail.michbar.org; or Elizabeth Lyon directly at (517) 346-6325, elyon@mail.michbar.org.

Sincerely,



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¹ Definition of oppose in principle: Pending legislation that the State Bar opposes but is not the subject of active lobbying effort. The State Bar is on record on this position and will explain it upon request.