



## Report on Public Policy Position

**Name of Section:**

Family Law Section

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**Bill Number:**

**SB 891** (Hardiman) Family law; child support; collection duties for certain state departments; establish. Amends title & secs. 1, 3, 13 & 28 of [1941 PA 122](#) (MCL [205.1](#) et seq.) & repeals [1927 PA 375](#) (MCL [14.131](#) - [14.134](#)).

**Date position was adopted:**

December 3, 2005

**Process used to take the ideological position:**

Vote by members elected to the Family Law Council

**Number of members in the decision-making body:**

21

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

Unanimous

**FOR SECTIONS ONLY:**

- ✓ This subject matter of this position is within the jurisdiction of the section.
- ✓ The position was adopted in accordance with the Section's bylaws.
- ✓ The requirements of SBM Bylaw Article VIII have been satisfied.

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**Position:**

SB 891 introduced by Sens. Hardiman, Jacobs and Scott and referred to the Committee on Families and Human Services, places the collection of all past due money and accounts owed to the state or any subdivision, under the supervision and control of the Department of Treasury. This would seem to include any child support assigned to the state, and under the broadest construction might include any child support, alimony, or fees paid to the Friend of the Court.

The Family Law Section opposes this bill unless it clearly exempts support enforcement from the supervision and control of the Department of Treasury.

**The text (may be provided by hyperlink) of any legislation, court rule, or administrative regulation that is the subject of or referenced in this report:**

<http://www.legislature.mi.gov/mileg.asp?page=getObject&objName=2005-SB-0891>