

Report on Public Policy Position

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Family Law Section

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Bill Number:

HB 6661 (Hummel) Children; adoption; federal adoption subsidies; codify. Amends secs. 115f, 115g, 115h, 115i, 115j, 115k, 115l & 115m of 1939 PA 280 (MCL 400.115f et seq.) & adds secs. 115t & 115u.

Date position was adopted:

December 2, 2006

Process used to take the ideological position:

Vote of Council members present

Number of members in the decision-making body:

21

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:

17-0

Position:

The Family Law Council supports HB 6661. This bill broadens the definition of "child with special needs" and extends the time frame for eligibility for services. This will help adoptive parents whose child exhibit problems years after adoption.

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://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2006-HB-6661