

## Report on Public Policy Position

#### Name of Section:

Family Law Section

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#### Bill Number:

SB 170 (Clark-Coleman) Children; guardians; relative guardianship assistance act; establish. Creates new act.

## Date position was adopted:

March 10, 2007

## 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:

21

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

17 Voted for position

0 Voted against position

0 Abstained from vote

4 Did not vote

#### **Position:**

Support

## Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:

SB 170 is a reintroduction of SB 1324, which we supported last session:

"SB 1324 would create a new Relative Guardian Assistance program. When children are placed with relatives who do not have the licenses required of foster care providers, this bill would provide payments to those Guardians at 66% of licensed foster care rates. The Council supports this bill."

# 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?2007-SB-0170