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The Honorable Goeff Hansen
State Representative
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Re: HB 4578 Representation by Attorney in Small Claims

Dear Representative Hansen:

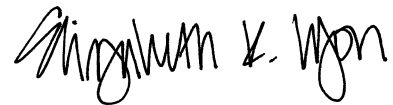
At its July 20, 2007 meeting, the State Bar of Michigan's Board of Commissioners unanimously voted to **support in principle*** HB 4578. The bill clarifies rights and promotes educating litigants in small claims court of their ability to use attorney representation to enforce judgments.

If you would like to discuss this position in further detail or have questions, please contact Janet Welch directly at (517) 346-6331, jwelch@mail.michbar.org; or Elizabeth Lyon directly at (517) 346-6325, elyon@mail.michbar.org.

Sincerely,



Janet Welch
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* Definition of support in principle: pending legislation that the State Bar support, but which is not the subject of active lobbying effort. The State Bar is on record on this position and will explain it upon request.