

CHILDREN'S LAW SECTION

Respectfully submits the following position on:

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HB 5374

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The Children's Law Section is not the State Bar of Michigan itself, but rather a Section which members of the State Bar choose voluntarily to join, based on common professional interest.

The position expressed is that of the Children's Law Section only and is not the position of the State Bar of Michigan.

To date, the State Bar does not have a position on this matter.

The total membership of the Children's Law Section is 492.

The position was adopted after discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. The number of members in the decision-making body is 16. The number who voted in favor to this position was 3. The number who voted opposed to this position was 0.

Report on Public Policy Position

Name of section:

Children's Law Section

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Bill Number:

[HB 5374](#) (Agema) Appropriations; zero budget; department of human services; provide for fiscal year 2012-2013. Creates appropriation act.

Date position was adopted:

April 19, 2012

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:

16

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:

13 Voted for position

0 Voted against position

0 Abstained from vote

3 Did not vote

Position:

Oppose

Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:

Our position is to oppose appropriation schemes like the one in HB 5374 that proposes increase privatization youth facilities. We oppose increased privatization of youth services in child welfare and delinquency matters because it negatively impacts youth.

The text of any legislation, court rule, or administrative regulation that is the subject of or referenced in this report.

<http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2012-HB-5374>