

PRISONS & CORRECTIONS SECTION Respectfully submits the following position on:

HB 4189

The Prisons & Corrections 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 Prisons & Corrections 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 Prisons & Corrections Section is 140.

The position was adopted after discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. The number of members in the decision-making body is 15. The number who voted in favor to this position was 13. The number who voted opposed to this position was 0.

Report on Public Policy Position

Name of section:

Prisons & Corrections Section

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Bill Number:

<u>HB 4189</u> (Lipton) Corrections; parole; procedures for objection by judge of parole for prisoner; revise. Amends sec. 34 of <u>1953 PA 232</u> (MCL <u>791.234</u>).

Date position was adopted:

March 2, 2013

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:

15

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:

13 Voted for position

0 Voted against position

0 Abstained from vote

2 Did not vote

Position:

Support

Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:

HB 4189, which would eliminate a successor sentencing judge's ability to veto a Parole Board decision to grant parole to an inmate serving a parolable life sentence, is consistent with the Section's Public Policy Position adopted on January 11, 2011.

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?2013-HB-4189