

PRISONS & CORRECTIONS SECTION
Respectfully submits the following position on:

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HB 4186

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The position expressed is that of the Prisons & Corrections Section only and is not the position of the State Bar of Michigan.

The State Bar's position in this matter is support.

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 11. The number who voted opposed to this position was 1. The number who abstained was 1.

Report on Public Policy Position

Name of section:

Prisons & Corrections Section

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Bill Number:

[HB 4186](#)(Oakes) Criminal procedure, expunction; Records, other. Criminal procedure; expunction; record expunction for certain offenders; expand, and provide for under certain circumstances. Amends secs. 1, 3 & 4 of 1965 PA 213 (MCL 780.621 et seq.).

Date position was adopted:

April 6, 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:

11 Voted for position

1 Voted against position

1 Abstained from vote

3 Did not vote

Position:

Support

Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:

The Section supports HB 4186, which would broaden expungement opportunities for those convicted of more than one offense. The Section believes that such opportunities are essential to meet the goals of rehabilitation and reintegration of offenders into society. While the Section believes that the legislation should go even further in providing those opportunities, it supports this legislation as a good starting point.

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-4186>