

ANIMAL LAW SECTION  
Respectfully submits the following position on:

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SB 0029

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The Animal 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 Animal 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 Animal Law Section is 185.

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 14. The number who voted opposed to this position was 0.

## Report on Public Policy Position

**Name of section:**

Animal Law Section

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**Bill Number:**

[SB 0029](#) (Bieda) Trade; hazardous substances; addition of bittering agent to antifreeze; require. Creates new act.

**Date position was adopted:**

September 20, 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:**

14 Voted for position

0 Voted against position

0 Abstained from vote

1 Did not vote

**Position:**

Support

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

The section supports this bill which prohibits the sale of engine coolant in Michigan on or after January 1, 2015 if it does not contain a bittering agent. The vast majority of engine coolant manufacturers selling in Michigan already comply with the requirements. The act will create uniformity and minimize the likelihood that any animal or child will consume the engine coolant. It is sound public policy to minimize the risks at minimal cost.

**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-SB-0029>