

ELDER LAW & DISABILITY RIGHTS SECTION
Respectfully submits the following position on:

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SB 0843

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The position expressed is that of the Elder Law & Disability Rights 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 Elder Law & Disability Rights Section is 1,771.

The position was adopted after a discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. The number of members in the decision-making body is 20. The number who voted in favor to this position was 19. The number who voted opposed to this position was 0.

Report on Public Policy Position

Name of Section:

Elder Law and Disability Rights Section

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Bill Number:

[SB 0843](#) (Jones) Human services; other; inspector general within the department of human services to appoint agents with limited arrest powers and the powers conferred on peace officers; allow. Amends sec. 43b of [1939 PA 280](#) (MCL [400.43b](#)).

Date position was adopted:

April 5, 2014

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:

20

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:

19 Voted for position

0 Voted against position

0 Abstained from vote

1 Did not vote

Position:

Oppose

Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:

The ELDRS council has concerns that granting DHS inspectors limited police powers that include the ability to make warrantless arrests and carry firearms will infringe upon the civil liberties of vulnerable adults.

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?2014-SB-0843>