

Report on Public Policy Position**Name of section:**

Family Law Section

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[HB 4222](#) (Ebli) Civil procedure; personal protection orders; victims of posting certain messages on the internet, furnishing obscene publications to minors, or criminal sexual conduct; allow to petition for personal protection orders. Amends sec. 2950a of [1961 PA 236](#) (MCL [600.2950a](#)).

Date position was adopted:

April 4, 2009

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:

21

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:

14 Voted for position

1 Voted against position

0 Abstained from vote

6 Did not vote

Position:

Support and Amend

Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:

HB 4222 is a reintroduction of the bill allowing PPOs for sexual assault victims, but providing that the petitions need not be heard in the family division. Last term the Family Law Section supported the bill with the suggested amendment that the petitions remain in the family division. The Family Law Section reaffirms its support for this bill, with the recommendation that the petitions remain in the family division.

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?2009-HB-4222>