

Report on Public Policy Position

Name of section:

Animal Law Section

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Bill Number:

[HB 4570](#) (Jones, Rick) Criminal procedure; sex offender registration; crime of sodomy; specify sodomy of an animal for inclusion in sex offender registration requirements. Amends sec. 2 of [1994 PA 295](#) (MCL [28.722](#)).

Date position was adopted:

January 26, 2010

Process used to take the ideological position:

12/5/2009 with those not present completing the voting process on 1/26/2010 by email.

Number of members in the decision-making body:

15

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:

13 Voted for position

1 Voted against position

0 Abstained from vote

1 Did not vote

Position:

Support

Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:

The Animal Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan votes to support 4570. The legislation recognizes the seriousness of the perpetrated crime against animal victims and heightens the consequences for this unconscionable act. This legislation clarifies the existing statutory language.

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-4570>