REPERSENTATIVE ASSEMBLY PAST CHAIRPERSONS COMMITTEE

Issue
Should the Representative Assembly adopt the recommendation of the Rules & Calendar Committee to amend the Rules of Procedure of the Representative Assembly to create the Past Chairpersons committee as defined in proposed rule 7.8 and renumber current rule 7.8 “Other Committees” to 7.9?

Synopsis
At its last meeting on September 30, 2010, the Representative Assembly adopted a motion authorizing the creation of a committee of past chairpersons but also referred further consideration of the motion to the Rules and Calendar Committee for a recommendation regarding the responsibilities of the proposed new committee.

The Rules and Calendar Committee recommends that the Past Chairpersons Committee be available to provide counsel and recommendations on all matters pertaining to the Representative Assembly or the State Bar of Michigan as the Representative Assembly Chair or the Representative Assembly may assign.

Background
The Past Chairpersons Committee would consist of all past chairs of the Assembly, and represents an attempt to provide a ready means of accessing the intellect, institutional memory and experience of the past chairpersons should the need arise.

Opposition
None known.

Prior Action by Representative Assembly
None known.

Fiscal and Staffing Impact on State Bar of Michigan
Existing staff resources will be allocated.
STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN POSITION
By vote of the Representative Assembly on April 9, 2011

Should the Representative Assembly adopt the recommendation of the Rules & Calendar Committee to amend the Rules of Procedure of the Representative Assembly to create the Past Chairpersons committee as defined in proposed rule 7.8 that follows and renumber current rule 7.8 “Other Committees” to 7.9?

“Past Chairpersons. The Past Chairpersons Committee, consisting of all past chairs of the Representative Assembly, shall provide counsel and recommendations on all matters concerning the State Bar, at the request of the Representative Assembly”.

(a) Yes

or

(b) No