

Public Policy Position
SB 1186 – SB 1189

The Elder Law & Disability Rights Section is a voluntary membership section of the State Bar of Michigan, comprised of 1,162 members. The Elder Law & Disability Rights Section is not the State Bar of Michigan and the position expressed herein is that of the Elder Law & Disability Rights Section only and not the State Bar of Michigan. To date, the State Bar does not have a position on this item.

The Elder Law & Disability Rights Section has a public policy decision-making body with 20 members. On December 2, 2020, the Section adopted its position after a discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. 19 members voted in favor of the Section’s position, 0 members voted against this position, 0 members abstained, 1 member did not vote.

Support the Concept

Explanation:

Support in concept SB 1186 to 1189 that:(a) Ratifies acts of notarization and witnessing made under Executive Orders on those topics, as well as those that were intended to have complied with those orders;(b) Allows remote witnessing of legal documents under EPIC; and,(c) Allows remote notarization by individuals using an “other audio and visual communication technology” in addition to a “remote electronic notarization platform” approved under section 26b of the Michigan Law on Notarial Acts, by amending Michigan’s current law on notarial acts. The approved motion includes a grant of authority to the co-chairs of the Legislative Committee, Catherine Jacobs and Kelly Quardokus, and/or the co-chair of joint workgroup, Howard Collens, to work with our lobbyist and the Bills’ sponsors to modify, or approve modifications to, the final proposed Bills in accordance with the position taken by Council.

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