

CRIMINAL LAW SECTION

Respectfully submits the following position on:

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HB 5270

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The Criminal Law Section is not the State Bar of Michigan itself, but rather a Section which members of the State Bar choose voluntarily to join, based on common professional interest.

The position expressed is that of the Criminal Law Section only and is not the position of the State Bar of Michigan.

The State Bar's position is to support the bill.

The total membership of the Criminal Law Section is 2,186.

The position was adopted after discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. The number of members in the decision-making body is 27. The number who voted in favor to this position was 16. The number who voted opposed to this position was 4. The number who abstained from voting was 2.

Report on Public Policy Position

Name of Section:

Criminal Law Section

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Bill Number:

[HB 5270](#) (McMillin) Law enforcement; investigations; electronic video recording of child interrogations; require. Amends [1975 PA 238](#) (MCL [722.621](#) - [722.638](#)) by adding sec. 8f.

Date position was adopted:

March 18, 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:

27

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:

16 Voted for position

4 Voted against position

2 Abstained from vote

5 Did not vote

Position:

Support

Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:

The bill requires the recording of child testimony. The vote reflects the majority of the council supported this requirement to preserve statements.

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-HB-5270>