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The Honorable Jud Gilbert
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Re: SB 62 Tenancy by the Entireties

Dear Senator Gilbert:

At its July 20, 2007 meeting, the State Bar of Michigan's Board of Commissioners unanimously voted to **oppose in principle*** **SB 62**. The position was adopted after review of a recommendation from the State Bar of Michigan's Real Property Law Section. The position is based on a concern that the bill would prevent some individuals with valid assertions of property rights from being able to assert and protect their interests in court.

If you would like to discuss this position in further detail or have questions, please contact Janet Welch directly at (517) 346-6331, jwelch@mail.michbar.org; or Elizabeth Lyon directly at (517) 346-6325, elyon@mail.michbar.org.

Sincerely,



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* Definition of oppose in principle: pending legislation that the State Bar opposes, but which is not the subject of active lobbying effort. The State Bar is on record on this position and will explain it upon request.