Report on Public Policy Position

Name of section:

Elder Law & Disability Rights Section

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Bill Number:

<u>HB 5187</u> (Coulouris) Probate; guardians and conservators; power of conservator to mortgage or place lien on protected individual's home; require prior court approval. Amends secs. 5422 & 5423 of <u>1998 PA 386</u> (MCL <u>700.5422</u> & <u>700.5423</u>).

Date position was adopted:

December 1, 2007

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:

20

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:

14 Voted for position

- 0 Voted against position
- 0 Abstained from vote
- 0 Did not vote

Position:

Support

Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:

The bill amends EPIC to require that a conservator obtain court approval to mortgage, pledge or cause a lien to be placed on the protected individual's home. The current language in EPIC requires court approval to "sell or otherwise dispose" of real property.

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?2007-HB-5187