Report on Public Policy Position

Name of section:

Prisons & Corrections Section

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Bill Number:

HB 4475 (Meadows) Corrections; prisoners; commutation hearings and procedures; expedite for prisoners who are terminally ill. Amends secs. 35 & 44 of 1953 PA 232 (MCL 791.235 & 791.244).

Date position was adopted:

December 15, 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:

16

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:

- 11 Voted for position
- 0 Voted against position
- 0 Abstained from vote
- 2 Did not vote

Position:

Support with recommended amendments

Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:

Section #10 of the bill should begin with the clarifying language of "Regardless of eligibility or ineligibility for parole otherwise . . . "

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-4475