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The Honorable John Stakoe

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State Representative

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RE: HB 5050 Bank Accounts of Self-Employed Child Support Payers

Lansing, MI

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Dear Representative Stakoe:

At its January 2007 meeting, the State Bar of Michigan's Board of Commissioners unanimously voted to **support HB 5050**. The State Bar also endorsed amendments sought by the Family Law Section regarding the definition of "source of income" and concerns about requiring holdings in an IOLTA (Interest on Lawyer's Trust Accounts) account.

If you would like to discuss this position in further detail or have questions, please contact us directly at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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