

Report on Public Policy Position

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Bill Number:

<u>SB 0067</u> (Kahn) Family law; child support; notice that payee of child support may be entitled to payment from lawsuit settlement or judgment or similar source; require. Amends <u>1982 PA 295</u> (MCL <u>552.601</u> - <u>552.650</u>) by adding sec. 25j.

Date position was adopted:

March 7, 2009

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:

21

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:

18 Voted for position

0 Voted against position

0 Abstained from vote

3 Did not vote

Position:

Oppose and Amend

Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:

SB 67 is a revised version of a bill we opposed last term. It now requires child support payers to notify the payee and the FOC by ordinary mail if the payer anticipates receiving property, including money, against which a lien will be levied under MCL 552.625A. .The Family Law Section felt that before such a duty is imposed on the payer, they should be given notice, at least in the Uniform Child Support Order. We also felt it should only apply if the payer is more than two months behind in child support and the anticipated sums are at least \$1,000. The Family Law Section opposes this bill unless those amendments are made.

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?2009-SB-0067