NEGLIGENCE LAW SECTION
Respectfully submits the following position on:

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SB 0923

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The Negligence Law Section is not the State Bar of Michigan itself, but rather a Section which members of the State Bar choose voluntarily to join, based on common professional interest.

The position expressed is that of the Negligence Law Section only and is not the position of the State Bar of Michigan.

To date, the State Bar does not have a position on this matter.

The total membership of the Negligence Law Section is 2,112.

The position was adopted after an electronic discussion and vote. The number of members in the decision-making body is 15. The number who voted in favor to this position was 13. The number who voted opposed to this position was 0.

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State Bar of Michigan

Report on Public Policy Position

Name of Section:
Negligence Law Section

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Bill Number:
SB 0923 (Jansen) Torts; liability; parental waiver of liability for minor; expand. Amends sec. 5109 of 1998 PA 386 (MCL 700.5109).

Date position was adopted:
May 11, 2014

Process used to take the ideological position:
Position adopted after an electronic discussion and vote

Number of members in the decision-making body:
15

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:
13 Voted for position
0 Voted against position
0 Abstained from vote
2 Did not vote

Position:
Oppose

Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:
Current law allows for parental waivers to provide liability limitations for injuries caused by the inherent risk of the activity. The Section Council opposes the portion of the bill that expands this limitation on liability so that it would also include injuries caused by negligent acts committed by youth recreation providers.

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?2014-SB-0923