

CHILDREN'S LAW SECTION
Respectfully submits the following position on:

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HB 4188

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The Children's 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 Children's 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 Children's Law Section is 705.

The position was adopted after discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. The number of members in the decision-making body is 19. The number who voted in favor to this position was 10. The number who voted opposed to this position was 2. The number who abstained from voting was 3.

Report on Public Policy Position

Name of section:

Children's Law Section

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Bill Number:

HB 4188 (LaFontaine) Children; adoption; objection to placements by child placing agency based on religious or moral convictions; allow. Amends 1973 PA 116 (MCL 722.111 - 722.128) by adding secs. 14e & 14f.

Date position was adopted:

February 19, 2015

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:

19

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:

10 Voted for position

2 Voted against position

3 Abstained from vote

4 Did not vote (absent)

Position:

Oppose

Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:

Section opposed to discriminatory agencies receiving public funding

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?2015-HB-4188>