

ELDER LAW & DISABILITY RIGHTS SECTION  
Respectfully submits the following position on:

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The Governor's Proposed Budget

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The Elder Law and Disability Rights 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 Elder Law and Disability Rights 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 Elder Law and Disability Rights Section is 1,176.

The position was adopted after discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. The number of members in the decision-making body is 20. The number who voted in favor to this position was 17. The number who voted opposed to this position was 0. The number who abstained from voting was 0.

**Report on Public Policy Position**

**Name of section:**

Elder Law & Disability Rights Section

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**Regarding:**

The Governor's Proposed Budget

**Date position was adopted:**

April 1, 2017

**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:**

20

**Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:**

17 Voted for position

0 Voted against position

0 Abstained from vote

3 Did not vote (absent)

**Position:**

Oppose

**Explanation of the position, including any recommended amendments:**

The Elder and Disability Rights Section of the State Bar of Michigan opposes the Governor's proposed budget item to privatize Michigan Community Mental Health services.