

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN BUSINESS LAW SECTION

Nonprofit Corporations Committee Report December 5, 2009

1. Next Scheduled Meeting of the Committee

No meetings of the Committee are currently scheduled. It is anticipated that a conference call meeting of the group working on the "short" amendments to the Nonprofit Corporation Act will be held in January or early February 2010 and that a meeting of the full committee will be held in March or April.

2. Council Approval

None.

3. Membership

The Committee is seeking active members who will assist in (i) obtaining legislative approval of the bills making technical and other changes in response to amendments made to the Act in 2008; (ii) reviewing and updating the comprehensive proposed legislation updating the Nonprofit Corporation Act; (iii) monitoring Michigan tax legislation affecting nonprofit organizations; and (iv) planning programs. Interested lawyers should contact one of the Committee Chairs.

4. Accomplishments Toward Committee Objectives

The group working on the relatively short bill making technical corrections to the Nonprofit Corporation Act that was approved by the Council in December, 2008 met by telephone on October 26 and the full Committee met on November 4. During these meetings, the members of the committee decided to revise that proposed legislation to address issues raised by churches wishing to incorporate or to carry out social programs under the Nonprofit Corporations Act (as opposed to the provisions of the old General Corporation Act governing ecclesiastical corporations). The Committee is also updating more comprehensive amendments to the statute that it has prepared.

5. Meetings and Programs

See the information about the Committee meetings above.

6. Publications

None.

7. Legislative/Judicial/Administrative Developments

None..

8. Miscellaneous

None.

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