

**Public Policy Position
SB 82**

The Family Law Section is a voluntary membership section of the State Bar of Michigan, comprised of 2,605 members. The Family Law Section is not the State Bar of Michigan and the position expressed herein is that of the Family Law Section only and not the State Bar of Michigan. The State Bar's position is to support SB 82.

The Family Law Section has a public policy decision-making body with 21 members. On March 5, 2025, the Section adopted its position after an electronic discussion and vote. 18 members voted in favor of the Section's position, 0 members voted against this position, 1 member abstained, 2 members did not vote.

Support

Explanation:

The Family Law Section supports SB 82 without recommended amendments. We would encourage the Legislature to consider adding referees and magistrates to the protections of the Act at a later date.

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