Public Policy Position SB 0899

The Negligence Law Section is a voluntary membership section of the State Bar of Michigan, comprised of 1,762 members. The Negligence Law Section is not the State Bar of Michigan and the position expressed herein is that of the Negligence Law Section only and not the State Bar of Michigan. To date, the State Bar does not have a position on this item.

The Negligence Law Section has a public policy decision-making body with 17 members. On May 6, 2020, the Section adopted its position after an electronic discussion and vote. 11 members voted in favor of the Section's position, 0 members voted against this position, 0 members abstained, 6 members did not vote.

Oppose

Explanation:

SB 899 would extend liability protections that are currently provided to health care workers during a state of emergency beyond the period of the state of emergency. It also retroactively applies the immunity, and does so over-broadly so that it could potentially apply to circumstances having nothing to do with the state of emergency.

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