

Public Policy Position
HB 4847

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The Elder Law & Disability Rights Section has a public policy decision-making body with 20 members. On June 5, 2021, the Section adopted its position after a discussion and vote at a scheduled meeting. 17 members voted in favor of the Section's position, 0 members voted against this position, 0 members abstained, 3 members did not vote.

Explanation:

The Elder Law & Disability Rights Section supports improving the due process rights of individuals in guardianship proceedings, which includes the changes in MCL 700.5313 relating to who has priority to serve as guardian as proposed in HB 4847. The Elder Law & Disability Rights Section continues to evaluate the other provisions under HB 4847 and will update our position after it has had a chance to review the bill's language more thoroughly.

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