CBA LPRC POSITION REQUEST FORM

The CBA Women in the Law **position request** is as follows:

1) Proposed legislative or regulatory concept:

HB5481 - An Act Establishing a Grant Program for Women and Minority-Owned Businesses

2) Explanation and rationale for advancing this position:

The proposed legislation will provide grant funds targeted to female and minority-owned business adversely affected by the Covid-19 pandemic to ensure that equal capital is provided accordingly.

 Is draft regulation, legislation or proposed bill included? Yes

4) What is the date of any legislative hearing, if known?

Not known

5) Was this position previously approved by the CBA? If so, when does/did it expire?

Not to our knowledge

6) Is the CBA section or committee seeking to join a previously approved CBA section or committee position?

No

7) Potential or actual CBA opposition from another CBA section or committee?

Not known

8) Strength of section position (including process and results of section vote taken on issue):

Email was sent to entire section on March 24, 2021 seeking approval to support bill. Of 29 members that responded, 25 approved support, 3 opposed, and one had questions and could not support or oppose.

- 9) Fiscal impact (on the state): Not known
- 10) Are you seeking "fast-track" approval?¹

No

¹ A "fast track" recommendation will be submitted to the House of Delegates (HOD) or Board of Governors (BOG) at its next scheduled meeting (or, if between meetings of the HOD or BOG and during the legislative session, to the Executive Committee), and is warranted only when the Legislative Policy & Review Committee concludes that further analysis and study is unnecessary and where there is legitimate time pressure to address pending legislation.