

# AGENDA ITEM

JULY 114

**DATE:** July 7, 2011

**TO:** Members, Board Committee on Operations  
Members, Board of Governors

**FROM:** Cathy Torney, Committee Coordinator

**SUBJECT:** State Bar Dues Bill, Report of Action Taken June 24, 2011, by the Board Committee on Operations on Behalf of the Board of Governors Between Meetings

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is a report of action taken on June 24, 2011, by the Board Committee on Operations, which is authorized to act on behalf of the Board of Governors between regular meetings of the board. At a special meeting by conference call, the Committee approved in principal proposed amendments to SB 163 (Evans) and authorized the Executive Director and the State Bar's Legislative Representative to represent the State Bar's approval and support to the Legislature.

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## DISCUSSION

Under State Bar Rule 6.51(B), the President called a special emergency conference call meeting of the Board Committee on Operations, for Friday, June 24, 2011, to discuss proposed legislative amendments to the State Bar Dues Bill, SB 163 (Evans) that would be presented at a hearing of the Senate Judiciary Committee on Tuesday, June 28. All members of the Board Committee were present, and the members voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Board Committee on Operations, acting on behalf of the State Bar Board of Governors between meetings, hereby authorizes the State Bar Executive Director and the Legislative Representative to approve or support amendments to SB163 (Evans) that may include:

- A one-time \$10 rebate to members;
- An increase in the current voluntary allocation of funds to Legal Service activities from \$10 to \$20, for years 2012 and 2013;
- A \$2 million shift from State Bar non dues revenue each year, for 2 years, to Legal Service activities unless extraordinary circumstances exist to prevent the shift in the second year.