

SENATE BILL No. 743

January 23, 2014, Introduced by Senator MEEKHOF and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled
"Revised judicature act of 1961,"
by amending section 901 (MCL 600.901).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 901. (1) The state bar of Michigan is a public body
2 corporate, the membership of which consists of all ~~persons~~
3 **INDIVIDUALS** who are ~~now and hereafter~~ licensed to practice law in
4 this state **AND WHO ELECT TO JOIN.**

(2) ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE STATE BAR:

6 (A) The members of the state bar of Michigan are officers of
7 the courts of this state. ~~and have the exclusive right to~~

8 (B) **AN INDIVIDUAL IS NOT REQUIRED TO PAY A PERIODIC FEE FOR**
9 **CONTINUED MEMBERSHIP IN THE STATE BAR.**

1 (2) ONLY INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW IN THIS
2 **STATE MAY** designate themselves as "attorneys and counselors," or
3 "attorneys at law," or "lawyers." ~~No person is authorized to~~

4 (3) **AN INDIVIDUAL SHALL NOT** practice law in this state unless
5 he **OR SHE** complies with the requirements of the supreme court with
6 regard thereto. **TO THE AUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW IN THIS STATE.**