

RESOLUTION 39 – 06A

Title: Membership Termination for False Expert Witness Testimony
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Referred to: Reference Committee C
House Action:

Whereas, false expert witness testimony is unethical and damaging to the practice of medicine, and

Whereas, specialty societies such as the American Society of Neurosurgeons have practices and guidelines for removing such members from their specialty society, and

Whereas, withdrawal of specialty society and medical society membership may be a deterrent to false testimony; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That MSMS deny or withdraw membership from any physician who has lost his or her specialty society membership due to provision of false expert witness testimony; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Michigan Delegation to the AMA ask the AMA to consider adoption of a policy to deny or withdraw membership from any physician who has lost his or her specialty society membership due to provision of false expert witness testimony.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE