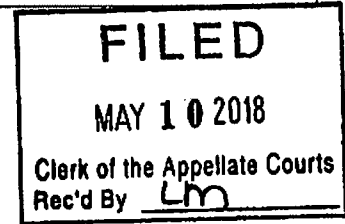


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1. The failure to reveal the amount which lawyers will be required to pay is objectionable.
2. The absence of a cap on the amount which will be required of lawyers to pay is objectionable.
3. The limitation on attorney fee for representing an aggrieved consumer regardless of the complexity of the matter is objectionable.
4. The implied authority of the Board to compel an attorney to represent an aggrieved consumer for a nominal fee is objectionable.
5. A better scheme would be to require lawyers to maintain certain minimum limits of liability coverage similar to the compulsory automobile liability insurance scheme in Tennessee. This would remove a considerable administrative burden from the Board and would place the burden for financing bad acts on the perpetrator rather than all lawyers.
6. A better entity to consider and process claims would be the mechanism already in place for the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund.
7. A better means of promoting public confidence in lawyers and in facilitating the efficient and competent delivery of legal services would be to require all attorneys to have limited licenses in only one or two practice areas. Segregating the delivery of legal services among practitioners who are specially licensed in a given practice area would allow consumers to shop for legal services as they do for medical services, i.e. by specialty area of practice.

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