

## WisTAF Report--APPENDIX O

State Bar of Wisconsin  
Effect of overall assessments on Keller Reduction

### **No. Members taking the Keller Reduction**

	FY03	FY04	FY05
Active New	350	390	399
Active	4,803	5,036	5,452
Inactive	1,181	1,025	1,193
Judicial Non-voting	114	98	118
Judicial Voting	13	12	15
Justices	2	2	2
<b>Total:</b>	<b>6,463</b>	<b>6,563</b>	<b>7,179</b>
<b>%Increase year-to-year</b>		1.5%	9.4%

<b>Total Bar Membership</b>	20,772	21,210	21,630
<b>%Increase year-to-year</b>		2.1%	2.0%

### **Fees paid to the Bar**

Bar Dues	210.00	210.00	224.00
OLR	140.05	134.62	145.66
CSF	20.00	-	10.00
<b>Full Dues &amp; Assessments</b>	<b>\$ 370.05</b>	<b>\$ 344.62</b>	<b>\$ 379.66</b>
<b>% Increase in total fees:</b>		-6.9%	10.2%

<b>Keller Reduction</b>	\$ 8.00	\$ 7.25	\$ 10.00
<b>%Increase year-to-year</b>		-9.4%	37.9%

### **FY04 Notes:**

The Michigan Amicus discussion began in January 2003. Based on the numbers above, it resulted in minimal impact on the number of members taking the Keller reduction.

Total fees paid to the bar decreased because of a decrease in the CSF assessment as well as the Boards

Overall membership in the Bar increased 2.1% while the percentage of members taking the Keller reduction increased by 1.5%.

### **FY05 Notes:**

The dollar effect of the Michigan Amicus is included in the \$10.00 Keller reduction in FY05.

Total fees paid to the Bar increased by 10.2% due to increases in all elements of the total.

Overall membership increased 2% while the percentage of members taking the Keller reduction increased by 9.4%

### **OVERALL ASSUMPTION:**

Increasing costs of membership is more likely than political disagreements to motivate membership to try to reduce the overall cost of maintaining a license to practice law.