RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, That the American Bar Association urges encourages state, local and territorial jurisdictions to consider using a central panel system for state administrative law adjudications; and in appropriate cases.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the American Bar Association encourages state legislatures to implement several recommendations to increase central panel fairness and efficiency, including (1) independent funding allocated directly by the legislature; (2) the creation of an advisory council to review, analyze, and advise on current and proposed central panel practices; (3) a more balanced system of generalist/specialist ALJs within the central panels; (4) a complaint process for parties to voice their concerns; and (5) more training for adjudicating cases involving pro se litigants, addressing implicit bias, and increasing ALJ diversity.

Deletions struck through; additions underlined.