

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, state law limits financial assets accessible by individuals who receive state support from a state school. Trust funds which benefit recipients of state school services are currently limited to \$50,000. S.B. 1623 would increase to \$250,000 the value of a trust fund allowed to benefit recipients of state school services.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1623 increases the trust amount which is not liable for a resident's support by \$200,000.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 593.081(a), Health and Safety Code, to provide that if a residents trust is \$250,000 or less, rather than \$50,000 or less, the funds are not considered to be the resident's property, and is not liable for the resident's support, maintenance, and treatment.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.
Effective date: upon passage.