

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Under current law, the child of a person eligible for burial in the Texas State Cemetery (cemetery) may not be buried in the cemetery unless he/she was a ward of a state charitable institution. H.B. 2900 changes the requirement, allowing eligibility for burial in the cemetery for an unmarried child who suffers from a long-standing physical or mental disability that was manifest during either parent's lifetime and made the child dependent upon care from another person, without regard to whether or not this disability resulted in enrollment in an institution.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 2165.256(f), Government Code, to provide that in addition to grave spaces reserved for certain persons eligible for burial in the Texas State Cemetery, grave spaces are allotted for the person's unmarried child of any age, if the child, on September 1, 1979, or at the time of the child's death, because of a long-standing physical or mental condition that was manifest during the lifetime of one of the child's parents, is dependent on another for care or support, rather than being a resident in a state-operated or state-licensed eleemosynary institution.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2005.