



## Legislative Endorsement

**Bill No. and Title:** S773 H1274 An Act to Preserve Special Needs Trusts for Disabled Seniors

**Sponsor(s) and Committee:** Sen. Jehlen, Rep. Hogan, Health Care Financing

**Legislative History:** Hearing: September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**Legislation Text:** Section 28 of chapter 118E of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following paragraph:-

A transfer by an individual age 65 and over into a trust that conforms to 42 U.S.C. §1396p(d)(4)(C) established for the sole benefit of said individual shall be considered by the division as a disposal of resources for fair market value, to the extent that such resources could, under any circumstances, be used by the trustee to provide goods or services to the individual at fair market value.

<https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S773>

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