

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 424 (HB 198)

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Existing law establishes the Traumatic Head and Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund, referred to hereafter as the "fund". Prior law provided that the purpose of the fund was to provide citizens who survive traumatic head or spinal cord injuries with a source of funding for services enabling them to return to a reasonable level of functioning and independent living. New law amends prior law to specifically provide that its purpose is to enable persons with assistance to return to a reasonable level of functioning and independent living.

Prior law required that monies in the fund be distributed as a source of last resort after the use of all available private and governmental funds.

New law changes prior law by requiring that the fund be used as a last resort after Medicare and Medicaid sources have been exhausted.

Effective upon signature of governor (May 23, 2018).

(Amends R.S. 46:2631 and 2635(A))