

HB 1612 -- INCOME OF GUARDIANS AND WARDS

SPONSOR: Kelley (127)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Special Committee to Improve the Care and Well-Being of Young People by a vote of 10 to 0 with 1 present.

This bill states that a guardian cannot claim any income of a ward as the guardian's income, regardless if such income derives from public or private sources. Any application for financial benefit, aid, or other consideration shall not require a guardian to include any income of a ward as the guardian's income.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will correct issues that some guardians have had with agencies requiring the guardian to include the income of a ward as the guardian's income.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Kelley.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.