

SB 5823-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that "section 8 program" means a federal, state, or local government program in which a tenant's rent is paid partially by a government program, through a direct contract between the government program and the landlord, and partially by the tenant.

Provides that it is unlawful for a landlord to refuse to negotiate or enter into a rental agreement with a prospective tenant on the basis that the prospective tenant participates in a section 8 program.

Provides that any landlord who violates this act may be liable to the prospective tenant for an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars. The prevailing party may also recover court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees.