

**SB 6223 - DIGEST**

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 1/25/2008)

Finds that hypoglycemia is a severe medical problem for people with diabetes. Rapid and appropriate administration of oral glucose can counteract a severe hypoglycemic episode, and may make the difference between life and death.

Finds that the administration of oral glucose is not indicated in certain situations, and the administration of glucagon is the preferred method of treatment. Some situations may arise when glucagon must be administered by injection to save a person's life. Emergency response personnel should receive appropriate training on the use of emergency glucagon pens to treat severe hypoglycemia.

Declares the purpose of this act is to authorize emergency medical technicians to administer glucagon in emergency situations and to have glucagon emergency kits available in their emergency care supplies.

Requires that all of the state's ambulance and aid services shall make glucagon emergency kits available to their emergency medical technicians in their emergency care supplies. The emergency medical technician may administer glucagon.