

**BILL SUMMARY**  
1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 60<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB1837</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>INT</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Minimal</b>

**Research Analysis**

HB 1837, as introduced, provides that in the event of the death of a beneficiary, the funds from an Achieving a Better Life Experience Account are exempt from Medicaid recovery liens, claim, and other reimbursement proceedings.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

HB 1837 exempts funds in an Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) account from being used to satisfy Medicaid recovery liens, claims, or reimbursements upon the death of a beneficiary.

According to the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA), the agency does not know if a member has an ABLE trust account and the value of the account until Oklahoma Human Services provides such information. Additionally, they do not track liens by specific trust accounts, making it difficult to provide an accurate estimate. However, the agency's legal team assumes the impact would be negligible on Medicaid collections, thus having a minimal impact on the state budget.

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**Other Considerations**

None.