

Amend SB 600, on third reading in PART __, in ARTICLE __, by adding an appropriately numbered SECTION to read as follows:

SECTION __.__. (a) Section 403.074, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (d) and adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

(d) Except as provided by Subsections [~~Subsection~~] (g) and (h), the comptroller may not pay under this section a single claim in excess of \$25,000, or an aggregate of claims by a single claimant during a biennium in excess of \$25,000. For the purposes of this subsection, all claims that were originally held by one person are considered held by a single claimant regardless of whether those claims were later transferred.

(h) The comptroller may pay under this section a single claim in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 or an aggregate of claims by a single claimant during a biennium in a total amount not to exceed \$50,000 to cover the fees awarded to an attorney appointed by a court under Section 26.051(g), Code of Criminal Procedure, to represent an indigent inmate in a capital case.

(b) The change in law made by this section to Section 403.074, Government Code, applies only to an award of attorney's fees on or after the effective date of this section. An award of attorney's fees made before the effective date of this section is covered by the law in effect on the date the award was made, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.