§ 19.29 Gifts.

(a) The commissioner, on behalf of the state and if in the public interest, shall accept, hold in trust, administer, apply, execute, or use gifts, devises, bequests, grants, powers, or trusts of personal or real property made to the state, the office of alcoholism and substance abuse services, a facility within the office, the commissioner, or the directors of facilities which are to be used or may be used for purposes of the office of alcoholism and substance abuse services, including but not limited to, the maintenance, support, or benefit of one or more patients in a facility.

(b) The commissioner, in carrying out the provisions of subdivision (a) of this section, may create or provide separate and distinct funds, investments, and deposits and regulate their use, transfer, and withdrawal. He or she may dispose of a power or trust upon its expiration and according to its terms.

(c) Subdivisions (a) and (b) of this section apply to gifts, devises, bequests, grants, powers, or trusts given to, received, or applied by the state, the commissioner, the office of alcoholism and substance abuse services, or facilities thereof and predecessor officers, agencies or facilities prior to as well as subsequent to the enactment of this section.