

SESSION OF 2004

**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT BRIEF
HOUSE BILL NO. 2555**

As Agreed to March 30, 2004

Brief *

HB 2555 clarifies that adopted children are included in the exception whereby certain preparers of a will who are related to the person making the will are permitted to receive under the will, up to the amount they would receive under the laws of intestate succession.

Another provision deals with demands against a decedent's estate to require such demand must be made within four months from the date of first notice publication or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given.

The last change requires that in the case of partial distribution when notice of any probate proceeding is required by law or deemed necessary by the court and the manner of giving it is not directed by law, the court shall order notice to be given to all persons interested, in such a manner and for such length of time as the court considers reasonable.

The Senate Committee deleted the words "or trust" as a technical amendment.

Conference Committee Action

The House Conference Committee concurred with the Senate amendments.

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Background

An attorney on the Probate Committee of the Judicial Council appeared in favor of the bill.

The fiscal note was not available when the bill passed out of House Committee.