STATE OF WYOMING

SENATE FILE NO. SF0054

Summary probate procedures-notice.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Case

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to probate; requiring notice under summary
- 2 probate procedures as specified; specifying and modifying
- 3 procedures for notice to and objection to the summary
- 4 distribution of a decedent's estate; eliminating a
- 5 presumption as specified; and providing for an effective
- 6 date.

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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 2-1-206 is created to read:

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12 2-1-206. Parties entitled to receive.

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- 14 (a) A true copy of the notice required in W.S.
- 15 2-1-205(c) shall be mailed by ordinary United States mail,
- 16 first class, to the surviving spouse, if any, to all of the
- 17 heirs at law of the decedent, to all beneficiaries under

of the above-named decedent was filed. Any action to object

to the summary distribution of the decedent's estate or any

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1 claim by a creditor shall be filed in the Court with a copy

2 to the petitioner within thirty (30) days from the date of

3 the first publication of this notice, or thereafter be

4 forever barred.

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6 Dated, (year).

Affiant

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8 PUBLISH: (once a week for four (4) successive weeks).

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10 (c) The proof of publication of the notice required

in W.S. 2-1-205(c) shall be by affidavit of the publisher.

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13 (d) The proof of mailing or delivery of all notices

14 required by subsection (a) of this section shall be by

15 affidavit of the petitioner or his attorney.

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17 (e) The affidavits for proof of publication and

18 mailing notices shall be filed with the clerk of court from

19 which the letters were issued.

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21 **Section 2.** W.S. 2-1-205(c) is amended to read:

1 2-1-205. Summary procedure for distribution of real

2 property; application for decree; notice by publication;

3 effect of false statements.

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5 (c) After thirty (30) days following the publication

6 of the notice of application once a week for two (2)

7 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in

8 the county, or otherwise as the court may order, the court

9 shall consider the application. If the decedent received

10 medical assistance pursuant to W.S. 42-4-101 through

11 42-4-114, the state department of health shall be provided

12 a copy of the application for a decree within five (5) days

13 of its filing. If it appears that the facts stated in the

14 application are not in dispute, the court shall enter a

15 decree establishing the right and title to the property. A

16 certified copy of the decree shall be recorded in the

17 office of the county clerk. and thereafter the decree and

18 the record thereof shall be presumptive evidence of title

19 to the property.

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21 Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2003.

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23 (END)