

LEGISLATIVE POSITION REQUEST FORM

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS OFFICE

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Submitted By Probate Law and Procedure Committee of the Real Property Probate & Trust Law Section [RPPTL Executive Council Approval September 25, 2010]

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Position Type Real Property Probate & Trust Law Section and its Probate Law Committee

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Appearances before Legislators Same

Meetings with Legislators/staff Same

PROPOSED ADVOCACY

All types of partisan advocacy or nonpartisan technical assistance should be presented to the Board of Governors via this request form. All proposed legislation that has *not* been filed as a bill or a proposed committee bill (PCB) should be attached to this request in legislative format - Standing Board Policy 9.20(c). Contact the Governmental Affairs office with questions.

**If Applicable,
List The Following**

(Bill or PCB #)

(Bill or PCB Sponsor)

Indicate Position	XX	Support	Oppose	Technical Assistance	Other
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Proposed Wording of Position for Official Publication Support a decedent's surviving spouse's receipt of 100% of an intestate estate, provided all of the decedent's descendants are also descendants of the surviving spouse and the surviving spouse does not have any other descendants, otherwise the surviving spouse shall receive 50% of the intestate estate, amending Section 732.102.

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Reasons For Proposed Advocacy The intestate code is designed to be a default will for those who die without a will; thus, the code should be consistent with what most testators would desire and

consistent with the public policy of ensuring that a surviving spouse and the decedent's lineal descendants are sufficiently provided for at the death of a decedent.

PRIOR POSITIONS TAKEN ON THIS ISSUE

Please indicate any prior Bar or section positions on this issue to include opposing positions. Contact the Governmental Affairs office if assistance is needed in completing this portion of the request form.

Most Recent Position None
(Indicate Bar or Name Section) (Support or Oppose) (Date)

Others
(May attach list if more than one) None
(Indicate Bar or Name Section) (Support or Oppose) (Date)

REFERRALS TO OTHER SECTIONS, COMMITTEES OR LEGAL ORGANIZATIONS

The Legislation Committee and Board of Governors do not typically consider requests for action on a legislative position in the absence of responses from all potentially affected Bar groups or legal organizations - Standing Board Policy 9.50(c). Please include all responses with this request form.

Referrals

1. Elder Law Section Unknown
(Name of Group or Organization) (Support, Oppose or No Position)
2. (Name of Group or Organization) (Support, Oppose or No Position)
3. (Name of Group or Organization) (Support, Oppose or No Position)

Please submit completed Legislative Position Request Form, along with attachments, to the Governmental Affairs Office of The Florida Bar. Upon receipt, staff will further coordinate the scheduling for final Bar action of your request which usually involves separate appearances before the Legislation Committee and the Board of Governors unless otherwise advised. For information or assistance, please telephone (904) 561-5662 or 800-342-8060, extension 5662.