

part thereof is destroyed without fault of the vendor or is taken by eminent domain, the purchaser is not thereby relieved from a duty to pay the price, nor is he entitled to recover any portion thereof that he has paid.

(2) UNIFORMITY OF INTERPRETATION. This section shall be so construed as to make uniform the law of those states which enact it.

(3) SHORT TITLE. This section may be cited as the Uniform Vendor and Purchaser Risk Act.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 284.

AN ACT to create 237.10 of the statutes, providing for the disposition of property where there is no sufficient evidence that persons have died otherwise than simultaneously, and to make uniform the law with reference thereto.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. A section of the statutes is created to be numbered and to read:

237.10 UNIFORM SIMULTANEOUS DEATH ACT. (1) Where the title to property or the devolution thereof depends upon priority of death and there is no sufficient evidence that the persons have died otherwise than simultaneously, the property of each person shall be disposed of as if he had survived, except as provided otherwise in this section.

(2) Where two or more beneficiaries are designated to take successively by reason of survivorship under another person's disposition of property and there is no sufficient evidence that these beneficiaries have died otherwise than simultaneously, the property thus disposed of shall be divided into as many equal portions as there are successive beneficiaries and these portions shall be distributed respectively to those who would have taken in the event that each designated beneficiary had survived.

(3) Where there is no sufficient evidence that two joint tenants or tenants by the entirety have died otherwise than simultaneously the property so held shall be distributed one-half as if one had survived and one-half as if the other had survived. If there are more than two joint tenants and all of them have so died the property thus distributed shall be in the proportion that one bears to the whole number of joint tenants.

(4) Where the insured and the beneficiary in a policy of life or accident insurance have died and there is no sufficient evidence that they have died otherwise than simultaneously, the proceeds of the policy shall be distributed as if the insured had survived the beneficiary.

(5) This section shall not apply to the distribution of the property of a person who has died before it takes effect.

(6) This section shall not apply in the case of wills, living trusts, deeds, or contracts of insurance wherein provision has been made for distribution of property different from the provisions of this section.

(7) This section shall be so construed as to make uniform the law in those states which enact it.

(8) This section may be cited as the Uniform Simultaneous Death Act.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 285.

AN ACT to amend section 110.07 of the statutes, relating to state traffic officers.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 110.07 of the statutes is amended to read:

110.07 TRAFFIC * * * OFFICERS; POWERS AND DUTIES. (1) The commissioner of motor vehicles shall employ *not to exceed 55* traffic * * * officers to enforce and assist in the administration of the provisions of chapters 85, 110 and