

(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

194 \* \* \* and section 129.11, or orders, rules or regulations issued pursuant thereto. Such traffic \* \* \* officers shall have the powers \* \* \* of sheriff in the enforcing of the above chapters and section and orders, rules or regulations issued pursuant thereto. \* \* \* Such \* \* \* traffic officers shall have authority to enter any place where vehicles subject to the \* \* \* provisions of chapters 85, 110 and 194 and section 129.11 are stored or parked at any time to examine such vehicles, or to stop such vehicles while en route at any time upon the public highways to examine the same and make arrests for all violations \* \* \* thereof. It shall be the duty of all justices of the peace, judges, district attorneys and \* \* \* law enforcement officers \* \* \* to assist in enforcing \* \* \* the provisions of chapters 85, 110 and 194 and section 129.11, and orders, rules or regulations issued pursuant thereto, and law enforcement officers shall report to the motor vehicle department all arrests and disposition of court cases involving the aforementioned statutes.

(2) *The traffic officers employed pursuant to the provisions of this section shall constitute a state traffic patrol to assist local enforcement officers wherever possible in the regulation of traffic and the prevention of accidents upon the public highways. No state traffic officer shall be used in or take part in any dispute or controversy between employer or employe concerning wages, hours, labor or working conditions; nor shall any such traffic officer be required to serve civil processes.*

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#### CHAPTER 286.

AN ACT to renumber 139.50 (1) (e) to be 139.50 (1) (j); to amend 139.50 (4) (a); to repeal and recreate 139.50 (1) (d); and to create 139.50 (1) (e) to (i) of the statutes, relating to the tax on tobacco products.

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

SECTION 1. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) of section 139.50 of the statutes is renumbered to be paragraph (j) of