

No. 289, A.]

[Published July 22, 1955.

CHAPTER 411

AN ACT to renumber 238.16; and to create 238.16 (2) of the statutes, relating to nuncupative wills.

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

SECTION 1. 238.16 of the statutes is renumbered 238.16 (1).

SECTION 2. 238.16 (2) of the statutes is created to read:

238.16 (2) Except when the bequest is to a spouse, the value of an estate bequeathed by a nuncupative will shall not exceed \$500 and if it exceeds that value the bequest shall be invalid and of no effect as to such excess. This limitation shall not apply to the disposition by a soldier in actual service or by a mariner on shipboard of his wages and other personal estate by nuncupative will. Where the bequest by a nuncupative will is solely to the spouse there shall be no limitation as to the value of the estate bequeathed.

Approved July 15, 1955.