### THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# **HOUSE BILL**

## No. 2636 Session of 1994

INTRODUCED BY YANDRISEVITS, MARKOSEK, ROONEY, LAUB, PESCI, KELLER, MIHALICH, NYCE, CARONE, BATTISTO, KAISER, GODSHALL, PETRARCA, DeLUCA, MUNDY, BELFANTI, MELIO, PISTELLA, WILLIAMS, TANGRETTI, B. SMITH, L. I. COHEN, VEON, KENNEY, J. TAYLOR, STEELMAN AND WASHINGTON, MARCH 23, 1994

### REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MARCH 23, 1994

#### AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 20 (Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries) of the
- 2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for
- 3 shares of other than surviving spouse.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 2103 of Title 20 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 2103. Shares of others than surviving spouse.
- 9 The share of the estate, if any, to which the surviving
- 10 spouse is not entitled, and the entire estate if there is no
- 11 surviving spouse, shall pass in the following order:
- 12 (1) Issue.--To the issue of the decedent.
- 13 (2) Parents.--[If no issue survives the decedent, then
- to the parents or parent of the decedent.] <u>If no issue</u>
- 15 survives the decedent, then to the parent or parents of the
- 16 decedent, except that any parent who has failed to pay court-
- 17 ordered child support or who has abandoned the decedent

- 1 <u>during the life of the decedent shall be prohibited from</u>
- 2 taking an intestate share from the estate of the deceased
- 3 child.
- 4 (3) Brothers, sisters, or their issue.--If no parent
- 5 survives the decedent, then to the issue of each of the
- 6 decedent's parents.
- 7 (4) Grandparents.--If no issue of either of the
- 8 decedent's parents but at least one grandparent survives the
- 9 decedent, then half to the paternal grandparents or
- grandparent, or if both are dead, to the children of each of
- 11 them and the children of the deceased children of each of
- them, and half to the maternal grandparents or grandparent,
- or if both are dead to the children of each of them and the
- 14 children of the deceased children of each of them. If both of
- the paternal grandparents or both of the maternal
- 16 grandparents are dead leaving no child or grandchild to
- 17 survive the decedent, the half which would have passed to
- them or to their children and grandchildren shall be added to
- 19 the half passing to the grandparents or grandparent or to
- their children and grandchildren on the other side.
- 21 (5) Uncles, aunts and their children, and
- 22 grandchildren.--If no grandparent survives the decedent, then
- 23 to the uncles and aunts and the children and grandchildren of
- 24 deceased uncles and aunts of the decedent as provided in
- section 2104(1) (relating to taking in different degrees).
- 26 (6) Commonwealth.--In default of all persons
- 27 hereinbefore described, then to the Commonwealth of
- 28 Pennsylvania.
- 29 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.