HOUSE BILL No. 2102

By Committee on Judiciary

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AN ACT concerning the Kansas probate code; relating to elective share of surviving spouse; real estate; amending K.S.A. 59-6a209 and repealing the existing section; also repealing K.S.A. 59-505.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 59-6a209 is hereby amended to read as follows: 59-6a209. (a) In a proceeding for an elective share, the following are applied first to satisfy the elective-share amount and to reduce or eliminate any contributions due from the decedent's probate estate and recipients of the decedent's nonprobate transfers to others:

- (1) Amounts included in the augmented estate under K.S.A. 59-6a204, and amendments thereto, which pass or have passed to the surviving spouse by testate or intestate succession and amounts included in the augmented estate under K.S.A. 59-6a206, and amendments thereto;
- (2) amounts included in the augmented estate which would have passed to the spouse but were disclaimed and which will pass to issue of the surviving spouse, as defined in K.S.A. 59-615, and amendments thereto, who are not the issue of the decedent; *and*
- (3) amounts included in the augmented estate under K.S.A. 59-6a207 up to the applicable percentage thereof. For the purposes of this subsection, the "applicable percentage" is twice the elective-share percentage set forth in the schedule in subsection (a) of K.S.A. 59-6a202(a), and amendments thereto, as appropriate to the length of time the spouse and the decedent were married to each other; and
- (5) the value of any real estate recovered pursuant to K.S.A. 59-505, and amendments thereto.
- (b) If, after the application of subsection (a), the elective-share amount is not fully satisfied or the surviving spouse is entitled to a supplemental elective-share amount, amounts included in the decedent's probate estate and in the decedent's nonprobate transfer to others other than amounts included under—subsection (e)(1) or (3) of K.S.A. 59-6a205(c)(1) or (c)(3), and amendments thereto, are applied first to satisfy the unsatisfied balance of the elective-share amount or the supplemental elective-share amount. The decedent's probate estate and that portion of the decedent's nonprobate transfers to others are so applied that liability for the unsatisfied balance of the elective-share amount or for the

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supplemental elective-share amount is equitably apportioned among the recipients of the decedent's probate estate and that portion of the decedent's nonprobate transfers to others in proportion to the value of their interest therein.

- (c) If, after the application of subsections (a) and (b), the elective-share or supplemental elective-share amount is not fully satisfied, the remaining portion of the decedent's nonprobate transfers to others is so applied that liability for the unsatisfied balance of the elective-share or supplemental elective-share amount is equitably apportioned among the recipients of that portion of the decedent's nonprobate transfers to others in proportion to the value of their interests therein.
 - Sec. 2. K.S.A. 59-505 and 59-6a209 are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.