

of the joint facility or facilities, the salary and compensation to be fixed by the committee. The board of county commissioners ~~and the council of such city~~ shall each provide an amount sufficient to ~~completely pay one half of~~ the expense of operating the joint facility or facilities. All the employees of the operating committee except the administrator of the operating committee, his first assistant; a superintendent for each facility and their first assistant or chief deputies shall be employed in the classified division of the county civil service and shall be employed under the provisions of Laws 1941, Chapter 513, as amended. No employee transferred to the jurisdiction of the joint operating committee shall suffer any loss of salary, seniority, tenure or pension rights by reason of such transfer. Any person who was a member of the police relief association of such city at the time of transfer to the jurisdiction of the joint operating committee shall continue as a member of such pension association and shall be excluded from the public employees retirement association. Any employee of such operating committee who, on the effective date of this act, is holding a position which is placed in the classified service under the provisions of this act shall be subject to and protected by the provisions of Laws 1941, Chapter 513, as amended.

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective only after its approval by a majority of the governing body of the county of Ramsey and a majority of the governing body of the city of Saint Paul, and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 22, 1971.

CHAPTER 483—S.F.No.6

An act relating to estates of decedents, conveyances to defeat marital rights; right of surviving spouse; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 525.213.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 525.213, is amended to read:

525.213 PROBATE PROCEDURE; CONVEYANCES TO DEFEAT MARITAL RIGHTS; RIGHT OF SURVIVING SPOUSE. Title and transferability of assets shall remain unfettered and freely alienable to third parties unless the surviving spouse gives proper notice as required hereunder. A conveyance of assets by a person who

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retains a power of appointment by will, or a power of revocation or consumption over the principal thereof, shall at the election of his surviving spouse be treated as a testamentary disposition so far as the surviving spouse is concerned to the extent to which the power has been reserved, but the right of the surviving spouse shall be subject to the rights of any income beneficiary whose interest in income becomes vested in enjoyment prior to the death of the conveyor. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any contract of life insurance purchased by a decedent whether payable in trust or otherwise.

The rights of a surviving spouse created by this section shall not give rise to any right, claim, or cause of action against any person who pays over, delivers or transfers title to any asset in reliance upon the terms of any conveyance, deposit contract or other agreement upon the death of the conveyor without prior notice in writing given to such person of the election of such surviving spouse to treat such conveyance, deposit contract, or other agreement as a testamentary disposition.

A spouse's rights as against the person to whom assets were initially conveyed by decedent under the aforementioned sections shall be preserved in all events even though the assets cannot be recovered for the reason that they have been transferred to a third party. The value of said assets shall be accounted for by such person to the court to the extent that the spouse had a potential interest therein and the court shall determine the spouse's rights and grant equitable relief only as against the person to whom the assets were initially conveyed by decedent and succeeded to upon his death, unless the required notice is given.

In the case of real estate, a notice of lis pendens shall be filed in the office of the register of deeds as to abstract property, and with the registrar of titles as to registered property, in the county wherein the property is located, giving the name and address of the surviving spouse, containing a brief statement of the nature and extent of the interest claimed, legal description of the real estate involved, and the title and venue of the case wherein such rights are being determined.

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CHAPTER 484—S.F.No.21

An act relating to estates of decedents; guardianships; reducing to five years the time after the closing of a probate court file for

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