Sec. 20. EFFECTIVE DATE. This act takes effect July 1, 1973, provided, however, that the commissioner shall have authority to promulgate rules and regulations as provided herein, upon final enactment.

Approved May 19, 1973.

## CHAPTER 411—H.F.No.703

An act relating to probate proceedings; partial distribution of probate estates; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 525.-482.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 525.482, is amended to read:

525.482 PROBATE CODE; PARTIAL DISTRIBUTION OF ESTATES. A partial distribution of an estate may be made before final settlement in the manner and upon the notice provided for final distribution. No decree of partial distribution shall be entered until after the determination and payment of inheritance taxes sufficient to cover the property thereby distributed. Such decree shall be final as to the persons entitled to such distribution and as to their proportions, and except where such decree includes only specific bequests or devises, as to the persons entitled to, and their proportions of the whole estate. No distribution shall be made until after the expiration of the time limited for the filing of claims, nor until a bond satisfactory to the court has been filed to secure the payment of unpaid claims and bequests, and the unpaid expenses of the administration, funeral, and last illness, and taxes. To facilitate the closing of an estate, one or more decrees of partial distribution also may be issued in any proceeding on hearing on final account and petition for distribution under section 525.481 without additional hearings for each distribution unless otherwise ordered.

Sec. 2. This act shall be effective upon passage.

Approved May 19, 1973.

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