## Adopted COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

House Bill No. 1430

**BY: Committee** 

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

- 8 **SECTION 1.** The following terms shall have the following
- 9 meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 10 (a) "Beneficiary designation" means the designation by
- 11 an owner of a motor vehicle of a beneficiary of the vehicle as
- 12 provided by Section 6 of this act.
- 13 (b) "Designated beneficiary" means a person designated
- 14 as a beneficiary of an owner's interest in a motor vehicle under
- 15 Section 6 of this act.



- 16 (c) "Joint owner with right of survivorship" or "joint
- 17 owner" means a person who owns a motor vehicle concurrently with
- 18 one or more other persons with a right of survivorship.
- 19 (d) "Motor vehicle" shall have the same meaning as the
- 20 term as defined in Section 63-21-5(1).
- 21 **SECTION 2.** (1) An owner of a motor vehicle may transfer the
- 22 owner's interest in the motor vehicle to a sole beneficiary
- 23 effective on the owner's death by designating a beneficiary as
- 24 provided by Section 6 of this act.
- 25 (2) A beneficiary designation is:
- 26 (a) Subject to Section 3 of this act, revocable and may
- 27 be changed at any time without the consent of the designated
- 28 beneficiary as provided by Section 6 of this act;
- 29 (b) A nontestamentary instrument; and
- 30 (c) Effective without:
- 31 (A) Notice or delivery to or acceptance by the
- 32 designated beneficiary during the owner's life; or
- 33 (B) Consideration.
- 34 (3) A will may not revoke or supersede a beneficiary
- 35 designation, regardless of when the will is made.
- 36 (4) A designated beneficiary may disclaim the designated
- 37 beneficiary's interest in the motor vehicle as provided by
- 38 applicable law.
- 39 **SECTION 3.** (1) If a motor vehicle that is the subject of a
- 40 beneficiary designation is owned by joint owners with right of

- 41 survivorship, the beneficiary designation must be made by all of
- 42 the joint owners.
- 43 (2) A beneficiary designation made by joint owners with
- 44 right of survivorship:
- 45 (a) May be revoked or changed as provided by Section 6
- 46 of this act, only if it is revoked or changed by all of the joint
- 47 owners; and
- 48 (b) May be revoked or changed by the last surviving
- 49 joint owner as provided by Section 6 of this act.
- 50 **SECTION 4.** During a motor vehicle owner's life, a
- 51 beneficiary designation does not:
- 52 (a) Affect an interest or right of the owner or owners
- 53 making the designation, including the right to transfer or
- 54 encumber the motor vehicle that is the subject of the designation;
- (b) Create a legal or equitable interest in favor of
- 56 the designated beneficiary in the motor vehicle that is the
- 57 subject of the designation, even if the beneficiary has actual or
- 58 constructive notice of the designation;
- 59 (c) Affect an interest or right of a secured or
- 60 unsecured creditor or future creditor of the owner or owners
- 61 making the designation, even if the creditor has actual or
- 62 constructive notice of the designation; or
- 63 (d) Affect an owner's or the designated beneficiary's
- 64 eligibility for any form of public assistance, subject to
- 65 applicable federal law.

- 66 <u>SECTION 5.</u> (1) On the death of the owner of a motor vehicle 67 that is the subject of a beneficiary designation, the following 68 rules apply to an interest in the motor vehicle:
- (a) If the designated beneficiary survives the owner
  making the designation by one hundred twenty (120) hours, the
  interest in the motor vehicle is transferred to the designated
  beneficiary; and
- 73 (b) If the designated beneficiary fails to survive the 74 owner making the designation by one hundred twenty (120) hours, 75 the share of the designated beneficiary lapses and is subject to 76 and passes as if the beneficiary designation were a devise made in 77 a will.
- 78 (2) If an owner is a joint owner with right of survivorship
  79 who is survived by one or more other joint owners, the motor
  80 vehicle that is the subject of the beneficiary designation belongs
  81 to the surviving joint owner or owners. If an owner is a joint
  82 owner with right of survivorship who is the last surviving joint
  83 owner, the beneficiary designation is effective.
- (3) A designated beneficiary takes the motor vehicle subject to all encumbrances, assignments, contracts, liens and other interests to which the vehicle is subject at the owner's or last surviving owner's death, as applicable. The transfer to the designated beneficiary does not affect the ability of a lienholder to pursue an existing means of debt collection permitted under the laws of this state.

- 91 **SECTION 6.** (1) The owner of a motor vehicle may designate a
- 92 sole beneficiary to whom the owner's interest in the vehicle
- 93 transfers on the owner's death as provided by Sections 1 through 5
- 94 of this act, by submitting an application for title with the
- 95 designation. To be effective, the designation must state that the
- 96 transfer of an interest in the vehicle to the designated
- 97 beneficiary is to occur at the transferor's death.
- 98 (2) The legal name of a beneficiary designated under this
- 99 section must be included on the title.
- 100 (3) The department shall transfer title of a motor vehicle
- 101 to a beneficiary designated under this section for the vehicle if
- 102 the beneficiary submits:
- 103 (a) An application for title not later than the 180th
- 104 day after the date of the owner's death or, if the vehicle is
- 105 owned by joint owners, the last surviving owner's death, as
- 106 applicable; and
- 107 (b) Satisfactory proof of the death of the owner or
- 108 owners, as applicable.
- 109 (4) A beneficiary designation may be changed or revoked by
- 110 submitting a new application for title.
- 111 (5) A beneficiary designation or a change or revocation of a
- 112 beneficiary designation made on an application for title of a
- 113 motor vehicle that has not been submitted to the department before
- 114 the death of a vehicle's owner or owners who made, changed, or
- 115 revoked the designation, as applicable, is invalid.



- 116 (6) The Department of Revenue may adopt rules to administer
- 117 this section.
- 118 **SECTION 7.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- and after July 1, 2022, and shall stand repealed on June 30, 2022.

## Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

- 1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION THAT TRANSFERS
- 2 A MOTOR VEHICLE AT THE OWNER'S DEATH; TO PROVIDE DEFINITIONS; TO
- 3 PROVIDE FOR REQUIREMENT OF THE BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION; TO PROVIDE
- 4 THE PROCEDURE FOR JOINT OWNERS; TO MAKE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF
- 5 THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND AUTHORIZE RULEMAKING AUTHORITY TO
- 6 THE DEPARTMENT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

