HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

	Chairman of Committee Date
	Committee on <u>Judiciary</u> .
	After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:
	<u>HB09-1287</u> be amended as follows:
1	Amend printed bill, page 7, after line 11, insert the following:
2 3 4	"(6) THE DOLLAR AMOUNTS STATED IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE INCREASED OR DECREASED BASED ON THE COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT AS CALCULATED AND SPECIFIED IN SECTION 15-10-112.".
5 6	Page 8, line 8, strike "IN EQUAL SHARES;" and substitute "PER CAPITA AT EACH GENERATION;";
7 8	line 13, strike "IN EQUAL SHARES;" and substitute "PER CAPITA AT EACH GENERATION;".
9 10	Page 9, line 5, strike "IN EQUAL SHARES;" and substitute "PER CAPITA AT EACH GENERATION;";
11	line 8, strike "IN" and substitute "PER CAPITA AT EACH GENERATION.";
12	strike line 9.
13	Page 12, line 27, strike "09," and substitute "09-1286,".
14	Page 15, after line 4, insert the following:
15 16 17	"(2.5) Child of a second-parent adoption. A PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP EXISTS BETWEEN AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS ADOPTED BY A SECOND PARENT AND:



2	ADOPTION; AND
3 4 5	(b) THE OTHER GENETIC PARENT, BUT ONLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE RIGHT OF THE ADOPTEE OR A DESCENDANT OF THE ADOPTEE TO INHERIT FROM OR THROUGH THE OTHER GENETIC PARENT.".
6	Page 23, strike lines 14 through 27.
7	Strike pages 24 through 26.
8	Page 27, strike lines 1 and 2 and substitute the following:
9 10	"SECTION 9. 15-11-201 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:
11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	elective-share amount. If the sum of the amounts described in sections 15-11-202 (2) (d), 15-11-203 (1) (a), and that part of the elective-share amount payable from the decedent's probate estate and nonprobate transfers to others under section 15-11-203 (2) and (3) is less than fifty thousand dollars, the surviving spouse is entitled to a supplemental elective-share amount equal to fifty thousand dollars, minus the sum of the amounts described in those sections. The supplemental elective-share amount is payable from the decedent's probate estate and from recipients of the decedent's nonprobate transfers to others in the order of priority set forth in section 15-11-203 (2) and (3). (b) The DOLLAR AMOUNT STATED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (2) SHALL BE INCREASED OR DECREASED BASED ON THE COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT AS CALCULATED AND SPECIFIED IN SECTION 15-10-112.
26 27	SECTION 10. 15-11-403, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:
28 29 30 31 32 33	15-11-403. Exempt property. (1) The decedent's surviving spouse is entitled to exempt property from the estate in the form of cash in the amount of or other property of the estate in the value of twenty-six thousand dollars in excess of any security interests therein. If there is no surviving spouse, the decedent's dependent children are entitled jointly to the same exempt property. Rights to exempt property have priority over

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- 1 all claims against the estate, except claims for the costs and expenses of 2 administration, and reasonable funeral and burial, interment, or cremation 3 expenses, which shall be paid in the priority and manner set forth in section 15-12-805. The right to exempt property shall abate as necessary 4 5 to permit payment of the family allowance. These rights are in addition 6 to any benefit or share passing to the surviving spouse or dependent children by the decedent's will, unless otherwise provided, by intestate 7 8 succession, or by way of elective-share.
- 9 (2) THE DOLLAR AMOUNT STATED IN SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE INCREASED OR DECREASED BASED ON THE COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT AS CALCULATED AND SPECIFIED IN SECTION 12 15-10-112.
- SECTION 11. 15-11-405 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:
- 15 15-11-405. Source, determination, and documentation. 16 (1) (a) If the estate is otherwise sufficient, property specifically devised 17 or disposed of by memorandum under section 15-11-513 to any person 18 other than a person entitled to exempt property may not be used to satisfy 19 rights to exempt property. Subject to this restriction, the surviving 20 spouse, the guardians of minor children, or dependent children who are 21 adults may select property of the estate as their exempt property. The 22 personal representative may make these selections if the surviving spouse, 23 the dependent children, or the guardians of the minor children are unable 24 or fail to do so within a reasonable time or there is no guardian of a minor 25 child. The personal representative may execute an instrument or deed of distribution to establish the ownership of property taken as exempt 26 27 property allowance. The personal representative may determine the 28 family allowance in a lump sum not exceeding twenty-four thousand 29 dollars or periodic installments not exceeding two thousand dollars per 30 month for one year and may disburse funds of the estate in payment of the family allowance. The personal representative or an interested person 31 32 aggrieved by any selection, determination, payment, proposed payment, 33 or failure to act under this section may petition the court for appropriate 34 relief, which may provide a family allowance other than that which the 35 personal representative determined or could have determined.
- 36 (b) THE DOLLAR AMOUNT STATED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS
 37 SUBSECTION (1) SHALL BE INCREASED OR DECREASED BASED ON THE COST
 38 OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT AS CALCULATED AND SPECIFIED IN SECTION
 39 15-10-112.".

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- 1 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.
- 2 Page 36, line 3, strike "January" and substitute "July".

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