

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION - DEATH
BENEFITS**

2008 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Karen Mayne

House Sponsor: Kory M. Holdaway

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill excludes workers' compensation death benefits from inclusion in the augmented estate during probate.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

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Monies Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

75-2-206, as repealed and reenacted by Laws of Utah 1998, Chapter 39

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **75-2-206** is amended to read:

75-2-206. Decedent's nonprobate transfers to the surviving spouse.

Excluding property passing to the surviving spouse under the federal Social Security



28 system, any death benefits paid to the surviving spouse under any state workers' compensation
29 law, and property excluded under Section 75-2-208, the value of the augmented estate includes
30 the value of the decedent's nonprobate transfers to the decedent's surviving spouse, which
31 consist of all property that passed outside probate at the decedent's death from the decedent to
32 the surviving spouse by reason of the decedent's death, including:

33 (1) the decedent's fractional interest in property held as a joint tenant with the right of
34 survivorship, to the extent that the decedent's fractional interest passed to the surviving spouse
35 as surviving joint tenant;

36 (2) the decedent's ownership interest in property or accounts held in co-ownership
37 registration with the right of survivorship, to the extent the decedent's ownership interest
38 passed to the surviving spouse as surviving co-owner; and

39 (3) all other property that would have been included in the augmented estate under
40 Subsection 75-2-205(1) or (2) had it passed to or for the benefit of a person other than the
41 decedent's spouse, surviving spouse, the decedent, or the decedent's creditors, estate, or estate
42 creditors.

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Fiscal Note

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State Impact

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations.

Individual, Business and/or Local Impact

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for businesses, or local governments. Surviving spouses of individuals who die while on the job will benefit.
