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S.B. No. 991

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the forfeiture of certain contingent beneficiaries' rights under a life insurance policy.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 1103.152(b), Insurance Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A contingent beneficiary is not entitled to receive the proceeds of a life insurance policy or contract if the contingent beneficiary:

(1) forfeits an interest in the policy or contract under Section 1103.151; or

(2) is not related by consanguinity to the insured and is related within the third degree by consanguinity, as determined under Chapter 573, Government Code, to a person who is a principal or an accomplice in wilfully bringing about the death of the insured.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2005.