CHAPTER 293

## PROBATE, TRUSTS, AND FIDUCIARIES

HOUSE BILL 20-1368

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) McCluskie and Ransom, Esgar; also SENATOR(S) Zenzinger and Rankin, Moreno.

## AN ACT

CONCERNING DELAYING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE "COLORADO ELECTRONIC PRESERVATION OF ABANDONED ESTATE PLANNING DOCUMENTS ACT", AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, DECREASING AN APPROPRIATION.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

- **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 15-23-104, amend as it will become effective January 1, 2021, (1) as follows:
- **15-23-104. Applicability.** (1) Subject to subsection (2) of this section, this article 23 applies to an original estate planning document created before, on, or after January 1, <del>2021</del> 2023.
- **SECTION 2.** In Session Laws of Colorado 2019, section 6 of chapter 252, (HB 19-1229), **amend** (1) as follows:
- Section 6. Act subject to petition effective date. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2) of this section, this act takes effect January 1, 2021 2023; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.
- **SECTION 3. Appropriation adjustments to 2020 long bill.** (1) To implement this act, appropriations made in the annual general appropriation act for the 2020-21 state fiscal year to the judicial department are adjusted as follows:

Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing law; dashes through words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law and such material is not part of the act.

- (a) The general fund appropriation for information technology infrastructure is decreased by \$125,230; and
- (b) The general fund appropriation for trial court programs is decreased by \$28,147.

**SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.

Approved: July 13, 2020