
SENATE BILL NO. 131—SENATOR CEGAVSKE

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Establishes provisions governing the disposition of a decedent’s accounts on electronic mail, social networking, messaging and other web-based services. (BDR 12-563)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to personal representatives; authorizing a personal representative to take certain actions with respect to a decedent’s account on certain Internet websites; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law sets forth the powers and duties of a personal representative in the
2 administration of the estate of a decedent. (Chapter 143 of NRS) This bill
3 authorizes a personal representative to take control of, conduct, continue or
4 terminate any account of the decedent on any Internet website providing social
5 networking or web log, microblog, short message or electronic mail service.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 143 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *Subject to such restrictions as may be prescribed in the will of a*
4 *decedent or by an order of a court of competent jurisdiction, a*
5 *personal representative has the power to take control of, conduct,*
6 *continue or terminate any account of the decedent on any:*

7 *1. Social networking Internet site;*



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- 1 **2. Web log service Internet website;**
- 2 **3. Microblog service Internet website;**
- 3 **4. Short message service Internet website; or**
- 4 **5. Electronic mail service Internet website.**

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