

Senate Bill No. 131–Senator Cegavske

Joint Sponsor: Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to personal representatives; authorizing a personal representative to direct the termination of a decedent’s account on certain Internet websites; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law sets forth the powers and duties of a personal representative in the administration of the estate of a decedent. (Chapter 143 of NRS) This bill authorizes a personal representative to direct the termination of any account of the decedent on any Internet website providing social networking or web log, microblog, short message or electronic mail service.

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

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

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

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, subject to such restrictions as may be prescribed in the will of a decedent or by an order of a court of competent jurisdiction, a personal representative has the power to direct the termination of any account of the decedent, including, without limitation:

(a) An account on any:

- (1) Social networking Internet website;*
- (2) Web log service Internet website;*
- (3) Microblog service Internet website;*
- (4) Short message service Internet website; or*
- (5) Electronic mail service Internet website; or*

(b) Any similar electronic or digital asset of the decedent.

2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not authorize a personal representative to direct the termination of any financial account of the decedent, including, without limitation, a bank account or investment account.

3. The act by a personal representative to direct the termination of any account or asset of a decedent pursuant to subsection 1 does not invalidate or abrogate any conditions, terms of service or contractual obligations the holder of such an account



*or asset has with the provider or administrator of the account,
asset or Internet website.*

