

A BILL

FOR AN ACT FIXING THE RULES OF DESCENT IN RESPECT TO THE PROPERTY OR ESTATE OF CHILDREN BY ADOPTION, WHO DIE INTESTATE, WITHOUT ISSUE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. That one-half of the estate of any person who had been the adopted child of
2 any person or persons, and who dies intestate, leaving no issue, shall go to the parent or
3 parents by adoption, and the other half to the spouse; if no spouse, the whole shall go to the
4 parent or parents by adoption, and if one of the parents by adoption, if there had been more
5 than one, is dead, the portion which would have gone to such deceased parent by adoption
6 shall go to the survivor, including the portion which would have belonged to the intestate's
7 spouse, had one been living.

Sec. 2. If the parent or parents by adoption are dead, the portion which would have
2 fallen to him, her, or their share of the above rules shall be disposed of in the same manner as
3 if such parent or parents by adoption had outlived the intestate and died in the possession
4 and ownership of the portion thus falling to his, her or their share and so on through the
5 ascending ancestors of such parent or parents by adoption and their issue.

Sec. 3. If heirs are not thus found, the portion uninherited shall go to the natural parents
2 of the intestate and their heirs under ordinary rules of descent.

Sec. 4. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall be in force and effect on
2 and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and the Des Moines Leader, newspapers
3 published in Des Moines, Iowa.