

ously the property so held shall be distributed one-half as if one had survived and one-half as if the other had survived. If there are more than two joint tenants and all of them have so died the property thus distributed shall be in the proportion that one bears to the whole number of joint tenants.

92. Insurance Policies. Where the insured and the beneficiary in a policy of life or accident insurance have died and there is no sufficient evidence that they have died otherwise than simultaneously the proceeds of the policy shall be distributed as if the insured had survived the beneficiary.

93. Sub-title Not Retroactive. This sub-title shall not apply to the distribution of the property of a person who has died before June 1, 1941.

94. Sub-title Does Not Apply If Decedent Provides Otherwise. This sub-title shall not apply in the case of wills, living trusts, deeds, or contracts of insurance wherein provision has been made for distribution of property different from the provisions of this sub-title.

95. Uniformity of Interpretation. This sub-title shall be so construed and interpreted as to effectuate its general purpose to make uniform the law in those states which enact it.

96. Short Title. This sub-title may be cited as the Uniform Simultaneous Death Act.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That if any of the provisions of this Act or the application thereof to any persons or circumstances is held invalid such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1941.

Approved May 26, 1941.