



**SF0039**

**Automatic transfer of automobile title upon death.**

Sponsored By: Senator(s) Olsen, Brennan, Crago, Kolb and Pappas and Representative(s) Andrew, Banks, Brown, L, Filer, Geringer, Larsen, L, Singh, Styvar and Wylie

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; providing for the automatic transfer of a vehicle title on death; providing definitions; providing exceptions; requiring rulemaking; and providing for effective dates.

12/12/2024 Bill Number Assigned  
12/19/2024 S Received for Introduction  
1/16/2025 S Introduced and Referred to S01 - Judiciary  
1/21/2025 S01 - Judiciary:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 4-0-1-0-0

**ROLL CALL**

**Ayes:** Senator(s) Crago, Crum, Hicks, Olsen

**Excused:** Senator Kolb

**Ayes 4 Nays 0 Excused 1 Absent 0 Conflicts 0**

1/21/2025 S Placed on General File

**SF0039SS001/ADOPTED**

Page 2-line 15 Before "signature" insert "notarized".

Page 2-after line 15 Insert and renumber as necessary:

"(b) The form shall be recorded in the office of the county clerk in the county where the vehicle is titled.".

Page 2-line 17 Delete "(b)" and insert "(c)".

Page 2-line 19 After "executed" insert "and recorded".

Page 2-line 20 Delete "subsection (a)" and insert "subsections (a) and (b)".

Page 2-line 21 After "present the" insert "recorded".

Page 3-line 9 Delete "(c)" and insert "(d)".

Page 3-line 12 Delete "(b)" and insert "(c)".

Page 3-line 19 Delete "(d)" and insert "(e)".

Page 4-line 4 Delete "(e)" and insert "(f)".

Page 4-line 11 Delete "(f)" and insert "(g)".

Page 5-line 10 Delete "(g)" and insert "(h)".

Page 5-line 18 Delete "(h)" and insert "(j)"; delete "(f)(ii)" and insert "(g)(ii)".

Page 6-line 1 Delete "(j)" and insert "(k)".

Page 6-line 5 Delete "(k)" and insert "(m)".

Page 6-line 18 After "W.S." insert "2-18-103(a) and by creating a new subsection (p),".

Page 6-after line 19 Insert:

**2-18-103. Transfer on death deed or title.**

"(a) A deed or title that conveys an interest in real or titled property, including any debt secured by a lien on the real or titled property, to a grantee beneficiary designated by the owner and that expressly states that the deed or title is effective on the death of the owner transfers the deceased owner's interest to the grantee beneficiary designated by name in the transfer on death deed or title effective on the death of the owner, subject to all conveyances, assignments, contracts, mortgages, deeds of trust, liens, security pledges, and other encumbrances made by the owner or to which the owner was subject during the owner's lifetime. The grantee beneficiary also takes title subject to any interest in the property of which the grantee beneficiary has either actual or constructive notice.

(p) Title to the interest in a vehicle transferred by a transfer on death title shall vest in the designated grantee beneficiary only on the death of the owner. Insurance coverage applicable to a vehicle that is in force at the time of the death of the last titled owner shall be transferred and expended to the designated grantee beneficiary in accordance with W.S. 26-23-109 for a period of up to sixty (60) days following the date of the death of the last owner, unless the grantee beneficiary has disclaimed interest in the vehicle.". OLSEN, CHAIRMAN

1/27/2025 S COW:Passed  
1/28/2025 S 2nd Reading:Passed  
1/29/2025 S 3rd Reading:Passed 30-1-0-0-0

**ROLL CALL**

**Ayes:** Senator(s) Anderson, Barlow, Biteman, Boner, Brennan, Case, Cooper, Crago, Crum, Dockstader, Driskill, French, Hicks, Hutchings, Ide, Jones, Kolb, Landen, Laursen, Mckeown, Nethercott, Olsen, Pappas, Pearson, Rothfuss, Salazar, Schuler, Scott, Smith, Steinmetz

**Nays:** Senator Gierau

**Ayes** 30    **Nays** 1    **Excused** 0    **Absent** 0    **Conflicts** 0

1/30/2025 H Received for Introduction