House Bill 5498

A bill to amend 1967 PA 224, entitled "Powers of appointment act of 1967," by amending section 4 (MCL 556.114).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 4. Unless otherwise provided in the creating instru-
- 2 ment, an instrument manifests an intent to exercise the power if
- 3 the instrument purports to transfer an interest in the appointive
- 4 property which THAT the donee would have no power to transfer
- 5 except by virtue of the power, even though the power is not
- 6 recited or referred to in the instrument, or if the instrument
- 7 either expressly or by necessary implication from its wording,
- 8 interpreted in the light of the circumstances surrounding its
- 9 drafting and execution, manifests an intent to exercise the
- 10 power. If the creating instrument explicitly directs that no
- 11 instrument shall be effective to exercise the power unless it

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- H.B. 5498 as amended March 15, 2000
 - 1 contains a reference to the specific power, an instrument which

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- 2 lacks such reference does not validly exercise the power.
- 3 Subject to the foregoing OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, if
- 4 there is a general power exercisable by will with no express gift
- 5 in default in the creating instrument, a residuary clause or
- 6 other general language in the donee's will purporting to dispose
- 7 of all of the donee's estate or property operates to exercise the
- 8 power, but in all other cases such a clause or language does not
- 9 in itself manifest an intent to exercise a power exercisable by 10 will.
 - [Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect April 1, 2000.]

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