Bill No. CS/HB 451 (2012)

Amendment No. 1

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE	ACTION
ADOPTED	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	(Y/N)
OTHER	

Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Judiciary Committee Representative Steube offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert: Section 1. Subsections (3) through (10) and (11) through (13) of section 726.102, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (4) through (11) and (13) through (15), respectively, and new subsections (3) and (12) are added to that section to read: 726.102 Definitions.—As used in ss. 726.101-726.112: (3) "Charitable contribution" means a charitable contribution as that term is defined in s. 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, if that contribution: (a) Is made by a natural person or a qualified religious or charitable entity or organization; and

(b) Consists of:

1. A financial instrument as that term is defined in s.

19 731(c)(2)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; or

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20	<u>2. Cash.</u>
21	(12) "Qualified religious or charitable entity or
22	organization" means:
23	(a) An entity described in s. 170(c)(1) of the Internal
24	Revenue Code of 1986; or
25	(b) An entity or organization described in s. 170(c)(2) of
26	the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
27	Section 2. Subsection (7) is added to section 726.109,
28	Florida Statutes, to read:
29	726.109 Defenses, liability, and protection of
30	transferee
31	(7)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), a transfer of
32	a charitable contribution that is received in good faith by a
33	qualified religious or charitable entity or organization is not
34	considered a transfer covered by this chapter.
35	(b) A transfer of a charitable contribution that was
36	received on or within 2 years before the date of commencement of
37	an action under this chapter or the date of commencement of
38	proceedings under the law of any state or federal law, including
39	the appointment of an assignee for the benefit of creditors, the
40	appointment of a trustee or receiver, or the filing of a
41	petition under the federal Bankruptcy Code, is not entitled to
42	the protection under paragraph (a) unless the transfer was
43	received in good faith and:
44	1. The amount of the charitable contribution does not
45	exceed 15 percent of the gross annual income of the transferor
46	for the year in which the transfer of the charitable
47	contribution is made; or
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48	2. The charitable contribution made by a transferor
49	exceeded the percentage amount of gross annual income specified
50	in subparagraph 1., if the transfer was consistent with the
51	practices of the transferor in making charitable contributions.
52	Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, but
53	shall not apply to transfers avoided by entry of a judgment
54	prior to July 1, 2012.
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58	TITLE AMENDMENT
59	Remove the entire title and insert:
60	A bill to be entitled
61	An act relating to fraudulent transfers; amending s.
62	726.102, F.S.; defining the terms "charitable
63	contribution" and "qualified religious or charitable
64	entity or organization" for purposes of the Uniform
65	Fraudulent Transfer Act; amending s. 726.109, F.S.;
66	providing that certain transfers of charitable
67	contributions to a qualified religious or charitable
68	entity or organization in good faith are not covered
69	under the act; providing applicability; providing an
70	effective date.
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72	WHEREAS, Florida's Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act may
73	potentially be construed to require an exempt organization to
74	return a charitable contribution that was accepted in good
75	faith, and
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76 WHEREAS, the application of Florida's Uniform Fraudulent 77 Transfer Act to an exempt organization has the potential to harm 78 an exempt organization that accepts, in good faith, a charitable 79 contribution for charitable purposes, and

80 WHEREAS, the Legislature desires to amend Florida's Uniform
81 Fraudulent Transfer Act to reflect the intent of the
82 Legislature, NOW, THEREFORE,

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