

CHAPTER 760

H.B. No. 577

AN ACT

relating to the time for filing a petition for an accounting and distribution of certain estates.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Section 149B(a), Texas Probate Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) In addition to or in lieu of the right to an accounting provided by Section 149A of this code, at any time after the expiration of *two* [~~three~~] years from the date that an independent administration was created and the order appointing an independent executor was entered, a person interested in the estate may petition the court for an accounting and distribution. The proceeding for an accounting and distribution may be brought in the county court if the county judge is licensed to practice law in the State of Texas or may be brought in a statutory probate court, a county court at law with probate jurisdiction, or a district court of the county. The court may order an accounting to be made with the court by the independent executor at such time as the court deems proper. The accounting shall include the information that the court deems necessary to determine whether any part of the estate should be distributed.

SECTION 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on April 30, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate on May 25, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 19, 1987.

Effective Aug. 31, 1987, 90 days after date of adjournment.