Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 573

## BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON

SUCCESSION/FORCED HEIRS: Provides relative to forced heirs

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact Civil Code Article 1493(E), relative to forced heirs; to provide for
3	definitions; and to provide for related matters.
4	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
5	Section 1. Civil Code Article 1493(E) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
6	follows:
7	Art. 1493. Forced heirs; representation of forced heirs
8	* * *
9	E. For purposes of this Article "permanently incapable of taking care of their
10	persons or administering their estates at the time of the death of the decedent" shall
11	include descendants who, at the time of death of the decedent, have, according to
12	medical documentation, an inherited, incurable disease or condition that may render
13	has permanently rendered them incapable of caring for their persons or administering
14	their estates in the future.

## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Changes the criteria of "permanently incapable of taking care of their persons" for the purposes of forced heirship from having a condition that may render the descendent incapable to having a condition that has rendered them incapable.

<u>Present law</u> provides that forced heirs included descendants of the first degree who are 23 years of age or younger at the time of the decedent's death and descendants of the first

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degree of any age who are permanently incapable of taking care of their persons because of a mental incapacity or physical infirmity. <u>Present law</u> further defines a descendant who is "permanently incapable of taking care of their persons or administering their estates at the time of the death of the decedent" as one who has an inherited, incurable disease or condition that may render them incapable of caring for their person or administering their estate in the future.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but changes the criteria of permanently incapable from a condition that may render the descendent incapable to one that has rendered them incapable.

(Amends C.C. Art. 1493(E))