From: hstaak@googlegroups.com on behalf of Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins
To: hstaak@googlegroups.com
Subject: Fwd: HB 110 VEHICLES/BOATS: TRANSFER ON DEATH TITLE
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From: **Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins** <jonathan.s.kt@gmail.com>
Date: Sat, Apr 13, 2019 at 1:05 AM
Subject: Re: HB 110 VEHICLES/BOATS: TRANSFER ON DEATH TITLE
To: Kayla <kaylaepstein48@yahoo.com>
Cc: Reid Harris <reid.harris@akleg.gov>, Grace Kubitz <grace.kubitz@akleg.gov>

Thanks so much, Kayla. We have it scheduled! I'm copying Grace and Reid, H STA committee aides, so they have this for reference.

Thanks so much for reaching out.

Jonathan

On Wed, Apr 10, 2019 at 7:29 PM Kayla <kaylaepstein48@yahoo.com> wrote:

> Dear Rep. Kreiss-Tomkins,
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> I am in favor of HB110 which was originally sponsored by my husband, Rep. Max Gruenberg.
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> Poor Max, I used to nag him because he didn't have a will or trust. He tried to reassure me that I was well taken care of and, when the time came, he was right. My name was on his bank accounts. I needed nothing to have access to them. Even the stock accounts came to me easily because I was the beneficiary of a transfer on death (TOD) provision. Through the TOD process I immediately felt financially secure. Other belongs he had before we met, including his extensive comic book collection, took two years to be finalized.
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> HB110 will make a transfer of a vehicle, a manufactured home, or boat at the time of death seamless in a similar fashion as Max's stock accounts. Why else is a TOD for a car better than being included in a will or a trust? My estate attorney charged $70 just to read an email and worked on Max's estate for two years. When I set up a TOD for my property there was a one time charge of $25.
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> I would make use of this as law. My dearest friend never had a car as good as we did. What a wonderful gift my car would be. I think of service men and woman who know they are headed to dangerous places. It would be a comfort to know that, just in case, their vehicle was going to their younger brother, sweetheart, or best friend. Should renters need a will to pass on their greatest asset, the family car?
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> In 2016 this bill passed the House and was schedule for a Senate committee hearing but it just was too close to the end of the session. It had a fiscal note of zero.

> Thank you again for hearing HB110 and thank you for taking time to read my note.
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> Sincerely,
>
> Kayla Epstein
> Widow to Rep. Max Gruenberg
> (907) 244-4801

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