

1 H.738

2 Introduced by Representative Lippert of Hinesburg

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Domestic relations; reciprocal beneficiaries

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to repeal the
7 reciprocal beneficiaries law.

8 An act relating to repeal of reciprocal beneficiaries law

9 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

10 Sec. 1. INTENT; REPEAL

11 (a) The stated purpose of the reciprocal beneficiaries is to provide two
12 persons who are blood-relatives or related by adoption the opportunity to
13 establish a consensual reciprocal beneficiaries relationship so they may receive
14 the benefits and protections and be subject to the responsibilities that are
15 granted to spouses in specific areas. Since its enactment in 2000, no reciprocal
16 beneficiary relationships have been established in Vermont.

17 (b) 15 V.S.A. chapter 25 is repealed (reciprocal beneficiaries).

18 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

19 This act shall take effect on passage.