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## [ARTICLE] 1

### GENERAL PROVISIONS

**SECTION 101. SHORT TITLE.** This [act] may be cited as the Uniform Fiduciary Income and Principal Act.

**SECTION 102. DEFINITIONS.** In this [act]:

(1) “Accounting period” means a calendar year, unless a fiduciary selects another period of 12 calendar months or approximately 12 calendar months. The term includes a part of a calendar year or another period of 12 calendar months or approximately 12 calendar months which begins when an income interest begins or ends when an income interest ends.

(2) “Beneficiary” includes:

(A) for a trust:

(i) a current beneficiary, including a current income beneficiary and a beneficiary that may receive only principal;

(ii) a remainder beneficiary; and

(iii) any other successor beneficiary;

(B) for an estate, an heir[, legatee,] and devisee; and

(C) for a life estate or term interest, a person that holds a life estate, a term interest, or a remainder or other interest following a life estate or term interest.

(3) “Court” means [the court in this state having jurisdiction relating to a trust, estate, or a life estate or other term interest described in Section 103(2)].

(4) “Current income beneficiary” means a beneficiary to which a fiduciary may distribute net income, whether or not the fiduciary also may distribute principal to the beneficiary.

(5) “Distribution” means a payment or transfer by a fiduciary to a beneficiary in the beneficiary’s capacity as a beneficiary, made under the terms of a trust, without consideration other than the beneficiary’s right to receive the payment or transfer under the terms of the trust. “Distribute”, “distributed”, and “distributee” have corresponding meanings.

(6) “Estate” means a decedent’s estate. The term includes the property of the decedent as the estate is originally constituted and the property of the estate as it exists at any time during administration.

(7) “Fiduciary” includes a trustee,[ trust director determined under [Section 2(9) of the Uniform Directed Trust Act,]] personal representative, life tenant, holder of a term interest, or person acting under a delegation from a fiduciary. The term includes a person that holds property for a successor beneficiary whose interest may be affected by an allocation of receipts and expenditures between income and principal. If there are two or more co-fiduciaries, the term includes all co-fiduciaries acting under the terms of a trust and applicable law.

(8) “Income” means money or other property a fiduciary receives as current return from principal. The term includes a part of receipts from a sale, exchange, or liquidation of a principal asset, to the extent provided in [Article] 4.

(9) “Income interest” means the right of a current income beneficiary to receive all or part of net income, whether the terms of a trust require the net income to be distributed or authorize the net income to be distributed in the fiduciary’s discretion. The term includes the right of a current beneficiary to use property held by a fiduciary.

(10) “Independent person” means a person that is not:

(A) for a trust:

(i) [a qualified beneficiary determined under [Uniform Trust Code Section

103(13)]] [a beneficiary that is a distributee or permissible distributee of trust income or principal or would be a distributee or permissible distributee of trust income or principal if either the trust or the interests of the distributees or permissible distributees of trust income or principal were terminated, assuming no power of appointment is exercised];

(ii) a settlor of the trust; or

(iii) an individual whose legal obligation to support a beneficiary may be satisfied by a distribution from the trust;

(B) for an estate, a beneficiary;

(C) a spouse, parent, brother, sister, or issue of an individual described in subparagraph (A) or (B);

(D) a corporation, partnership, limited liability company, or other entity in which persons described in subparagraphs (A) through (C), in the aggregate, have voting control; or

(E) an employee of a person described in subparagraph (A), (B), (C), or (D).

(11) “Mandatory income interest” means the right of a current income beneficiary to receive net income that the terms of a trust require the fiduciary to distribute.

(12) “Net income” means the total allocations during an accounting period to income under the terms of a trust and this [act] minus the disbursements during the period, other than distributions, allocated to income under the terms of the trust and this [act]. To the extent the trust is a unitrust under [Article] 3, the term means the unitrust amount determined under [Article] 3. The term includes an adjustment from principal to income under Section 203 and does not include an adjustment from income to principal under Section 203.

(13) “Person” means an individual, estate, trust, business or nonprofit entity, public corporation, government or governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality, or other legal

entity.

(14) “Personal representative” means an executor, administrator, successor personal representative, special administrator, or person that performs substantially the same function with respect to an estate under the law governing the person’s status.

(15) “Principal” means property held in trust for distribution to, production of income for, or use by a current or successor beneficiary.

(16) “Record” means information that is inscribed on a tangible medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable in perceivable form.

(17) “Settlor” means a person, including a testator, that creates or contributes property to a trust. If more than one person creates or contributes property to a trust, the term includes each person, to the extent of the trust property attributable to that person’s contribution, except to the extent another person has the power to revoke or withdraw that portion.

(18) “Special tax benefit” means:

(A) exclusion of a transfer to a trust from gifts described in Section 2503(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section 2503(b)][, as amended,] because of the qualification of an income interest in the trust as a present interest in property;

(B) status as a qualified subchapter S trust described in Section 1361(d)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section 1361(d)(3)][, as amended,] at a time the trust holds stock of an S corporation described in Section 1361(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section 1361(a)(1)][, as amended];

(C) an estate or gift tax marital deduction for a transfer to a trust under Section 2056 or 2523 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section 2056 or 2523][, as amended,] which depends or depended in whole or in part on the right of the settlor’s

spouse to receive the net income of the trust;

(D) exemption in whole or in part of a trust from the federal generation-skipping transfer tax imposed by Section 2601 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section 2601][, as amended,] because the trust was irrevocable on September 25, 1985, if there is any possibility that:

(i) a taxable distribution, as defined in Section 2612(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section 2612(b)][, as amended], could be made from the trust; or

(ii) a taxable termination, as defined in Section 2612(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section 2612(a)][, as amended], could occur with respect to the trust; or

(E) an inclusion ratio, as defined in Section 2642(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section 2642(a)][, as amended], of the trust which is less than one, if there is any possibility that:

(i) a taxable distribution, as defined in Section 2612(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section 2612(b)][, as amended], could be made from the trust; or

(ii) a taxable termination, as defined in Section 2612(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section 2612(a)][, as amended], could occur with respect to the trust.

(19) “Successive interest” means the interest of a successor beneficiary.

(20) “Successor beneficiary” means a person entitled to receive income or principal or to use property when an income interest or other current interest ends.

(21) “Terms of a trust” means:

(A) except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (B), the manifestation of the settlor’s intent regarding a trust’s provisions as:

- (i) expressed in the trust instrument; or
- (ii) established by other evidence that would be admissible in a judicial

proceeding;

(B) the trust’s provisions as established, determined, or amended by:

- (i) a trustee or trust director in accordance with applicable law; [or]
- (ii) court order[; or
- (iii) a nonjudicial settlement agreement under [Uniform Trust Code

Section 111]];

(C) for an estate, a will; or

(D) for a life estate or term interest, the corresponding manifestation of the rights of the beneficiaries.

(22) “Trust”:

(A) includes:

(i) an express trust, private or charitable, with additions to the trust, wherever and however created; and

(ii) a trust created or determined by judgment or decree under which the trust is to be administered in the manner of an express trust; and

(B) does not include:

- (i) a constructive trust;
- (ii) a resulting trust, conservatorship, guardianship, multi-party account,

custodial arrangement for a minor, business trust, voting trust, security arrangement, liquidation trust, or trust for the primary purpose of paying debts, dividends, interest, salaries, wages, profits, pensions, retirement benefits, or employee benefits of any kind; or

(iii) an arrangement under which a person is a nominee, escrowee, or agent for another.

(23) “Trustee” means a person, other than a personal representative, that owns or holds property for the benefit of a beneficiary. The term includes an original, additional, or successor trustee, whether or not appointed or confirmed by a court.

(24) “Will” means any testamentary instrument recognized by applicable law which makes a legally effective disposition of an individual’s property, effective at the individual’s death. The term includes a codicil or other amendment to a testamentary instrument.

***Legislative Note:*** *Revise paragraph (3) as necessary to refer to the appropriate court having jurisdiction over the matters listed.*

*In paragraph (7), refer to Uniform Directed Trust Act Section 2(9) or modify paragraph (7) appropriately if the state has not enacted the Uniform Directed Trust Act.*

*In paragraph (10)(A)(i), refer to Uniform Trust Code Section 103(13) or modify paragraph (10)(A)(i) appropriately if the state has not enacted the Uniform Trust Code.*

*A state that has enacted Uniform Trust Code Section 103(15) and (20) may replace paragraphs (17) and (23) with cross-references to those provisions.*

*In states in which the constitution, or other law, does not permit the phrase “as amended” when federal statutes are incorporated into state law, the phrase should be omitted from paragraph (18).*

*A state that has enacted Uniform Trust Code (Last Revised or Amended in 2010) Section 103(18), defining “terms of a trust”, or the Uniform Trust Decanting Act (2015) Section 2(28), defining “terms of the trust”, should update those definitions to conform to paragraph (21)(A) and (B). A state that has not enacted Uniform Trust Code Section 111 should replace the bracketed language of paragraph (21)(B)(iii) with a cross reference to the state’s statute governing nonjudicial settlement or should omit paragraph (21)(B)(iii) if the state does not have such a statute.*



**SECTION 103. SCOPE.** Except as otherwise provided in the terms of a trust or this [act], this [act] applies to:

(1) a trust or estate; and

(2) a life estate or other term interest in which the interest of one or more persons will be succeeded by the interest of one or more other persons.

**SECTION 104. GOVERNING LAW.** Except as otherwise provided in the terms of a trust or this [act], this [act] applies when this state is the principal place of administration of a trust or estate or the situs of property, not held in a trust or estate, subject to a life estate or other term interest described in Section 103(2). By accepting the trusteeship of a trust having its principal place of administration in this state or by moving the principal place of administration of a trust to this state, the trustee submits to the application of this [act] to any matter within the scope of this [act] involving the trust.

## [ARTICLE] 2

### FIDUCIARY DUTIES AND JUDICIAL REVIEW

#### **SECTION 201. FIDUCIARY DUTIES; GENERAL PRINCIPLES.**

(a) In making an allocation or determination or exercising discretion under this [act], a fiduciary shall:

(1) act in good faith, based on what is fair and reasonable to all the beneficiaries;

(2) administer a trust or estate impartially, except to the extent the terms of the trust manifest an intent that the fiduciary shall or may favor one or more beneficiaries;

(3) administer the trust or estate in accordance with the terms of the trust, even if there is a different provision in this [act]; and

(4) administer the trust or estate in accordance with this [act], except to the extent

the terms of the trust provide otherwise or authorize the fiduciary to determine otherwise.

(b) A fiduciary's allocation, determination, or exercise of discretion under this [act] is presumed to be fair and reasonable to all the beneficiaries. A fiduciary may exercise a discretionary power of administration given to the fiduciary by the terms of a trust, and an exercise of the power which produces a result different from a result required or permitted by this [act] does not create an inference that the fiduciary abused the fiduciary's discretion.

(c) A fiduciary shall:

(1) add a receipt to principal, to the extent neither the terms of a trust nor this [act] allocates the receipt between income and principal; and

(2) charge a disbursement to principal, to the extent neither the terms of the trust nor this [act] allocates the disbursement between income and principal.

(d) A fiduciary may exercise the power to adjust under Section 203, convert an income trust to a unitrust under Section 303(a)(1), change the percentage or method used to calculate a unitrust amount under Section 303(a)(2), or convert a unitrust to an income trust under Section 303(a)(3) if the fiduciary determines the exercise of the power will assist the fiduciary to administer the trust or estate impartially.

(e) Factors the fiduciary shall consider in making the determination under subsection (d) include:

(1) the terms of the trust;

(2) the nature, distribution standards, and expected duration of the trust;

(3) the effect of the allocation rules, including specific adjustments between income and principal, under [Articles] 4 through 7;

(4) the desirability of liquidity and regularity of income;

- (5) the desirability of the preservation and appreciation of principal;
- (6) the extent to which an asset is used or may be used by a beneficiary;
- (7) the increase or decrease in the value of principal assets, reasonably determined

by the fiduciary;

(8) whether and to what extent the terms of the trust give the fiduciary power to accumulate income or invade principal or prohibit the fiduciary from accumulating income or invading principal;

(9) the extent to which the fiduciary has accumulated income or invaded principal in preceding accounting periods;

(10) the effect of current and reasonably expected economic conditions; and

(11) the reasonably expected tax consequences of the exercise of the power.

**SECTION 202. JUDICIAL REVIEW OF EXERCISE OF DISCRETIONARY POWER.**

(a) In this section, “fiduciary decision” means:

(1) a fiduciary’s allocation between income and principal or other determination regarding income and principal required or authorized by the terms of a trust or this [act];

(2) the fiduciary’s exercise or nonexercise of a discretionary power regarding income and principal granted by the terms of the trust or this [act], including the power to adjust under Section 203, convert an income trust to a unitrust under Section 303(a)(1), change the percentage or method used to calculate a unitrust amount under Section 303(a)(2), or convert a unitrust to an income trust under Section 303(a)(3); and

(3) the fiduciary’s implementation of a decision described in paragraph (1) or (2).

(b) The court may not order a fiduciary to change a fiduciary decision, unless the court

determines that the fiduciary decision was an abuse of the fiduciary's discretion.

(c) If the court determines that a fiduciary abused the fiduciary's discretion, the court may order a remedy authorized by law[, including Uniform Trust Code Section 1001]. To place the beneficiaries in the positions they would have occupied if the discretion had not been abused, the court may order:

(1) the fiduciary to exercise or refrain from exercising the power to adjust under Section 203;

(2) the fiduciary to exercise or refrain from exercising the power to convert an income trust to a unitrust under Section 303(a)(1), change the percentage or method used to calculate a unitrust amount under Section 303(a)(2), or convert a unitrust to an income trust under Section 303(a)(3);

(3) the fiduciary to distribute an amount to a beneficiary;

(4) a beneficiary to return some or all of a distribution; or

(5) the fiduciary to withhold an amount from one or more future distributions to a beneficiary.

(d) On [petition] by a fiduciary for instruction, the court may determine whether a proposed fiduciary decision will result in an abuse of the fiduciary's discretion. If the [petition] describes the proposed decision, contains sufficient information to inform the beneficiary of the reasons for the proposal and the facts on which the fiduciary relies, and explains how the beneficiary will be affected by the proposed decision, a beneficiary that opposes the proposed decision has the burden to establish that it will result in an abuse of the fiduciary's discretion.

***Legislative Note:*** In subsection (c), refer to Uniform Trust Code Section 1001 or modify subsection (c) appropriately or refer to the corresponding provision of the state's Trust Code if the state has not enacted the Uniform Trust Code. Modify subsection (d) if the state does not

*permit a court to give instruction to a fiduciary in these circumstances.*

**SECTION 203. FIDUCIARY'S POWER TO ADJUST.**

(a) Except as otherwise provided in the terms of a trust or this section, a fiduciary, without court approval, may adjust in a record between income and principal if the fiduciary determines the exercise of the power to adjust will assist the fiduciary to administer the trust or estate impartially.

(b) This section does not create a duty to exercise or consider the power to adjust under subsection (a) or to inform a beneficiary about the applicability of this section.

(c) A fiduciary that in good faith exercises or fails to exercise the power to adjust under subsection (a) is not liable to a person affected by the exercise or failure to exercise.

(d) In deciding whether and to what extent to exercise the power to adjust under subsection (a), a fiduciary shall consider all factors the fiduciary considers relevant, including relevant factors in Section 201(e) and the application of Section 401(i), 408, or 413.

(e) A fiduciary may not exercise the power under subsection (a) to make an adjustment or under Section 408 to make a determination that an allocation is insubstantial:

(1) if the adjustment or determination would reduce the amount payable to a current income beneficiary from a trust that qualifies for a special tax benefit, except to the extent the adjustment is made to provide for a reasonable apportionment of the total return of the trust between the current income beneficiary and successor beneficiaries;

(2) if the adjustment or determination would change the amount payable to a beneficiary as a fixed annuity or a fixed fraction of the value of the trust assets under the terms of the trust;

(3) if the adjustment or determination would reduce an amount that is permanently

set aside for a charitable purpose under the terms of the trust, unless both income and principal are set aside for the charitable purpose;

(4) if possessing or exercising the power would cause a person to be treated as the owner of all or part of the trust for federal income tax purposes;

(5) if possessing or exercising the power would cause all or part of the value of the trust assets to be included in the gross estate of an individual for federal estate tax purposes;

(6) if possessing or exercising the power would cause an individual to be treated as making a gift for federal gift tax purposes;

(7) if the fiduciary is not an independent person;

(8) if the trust is irrevocable and provides for income to be paid to the settlor and possessing or exercising the power would cause the adjusted principal or income to be considered an available resource or available income under a public-benefit program; or

(9) if the trust is a unitrust under [Article] 3.

(f) If subsection (e)(4), (5), (6), or (7) applies to a fiduciary:

(1) a co-fiduciary to which subsection (e)(4) through (7) does not apply may exercise the power to adjust, unless the exercise of the power by the remaining co-fiduciary or co-fiduciaries is not permitted by the terms of a trust or applicable law; or

(2) if there is no co-fiduciary to which subsection (e)(4) through (7) does not apply, the fiduciary may appoint a co-fiduciary to which subsection (e)(4) through (7) does not apply, which may be a special fiduciary with limited powers, and the appointed co-fiduciary may exercise the power to adjust, unless the appointment of a co-fiduciary or the exercise of the power by a co-fiduciary is not permitted by the terms of the trust or applicable law.

(g) A fiduciary may release or delegate to a co-fiduciary the power to adjust under

subsection (a) if the fiduciary determines that possessing or exercising the power to adjust under subsection (a) will or may:

(1) cause a result described in subsection (e)(1) through (6) or (8); or

(2) deprive the trust of a tax benefit or impose a tax burden not described in subsection (e)(1) through (6).

(h) A fiduciary's release or delegation to a co-fiduciary under subsection (g) of the power to adjust under subsection (a):

(1) must be in a record;

(2) applies to the entire power to adjust under subsection (a), unless the release or delegation in the record provides a limitation, which may be a limitation to the power to adjust:

(A) from income to principal;

(B) from principal to income;

(C) for specified property; or

(D) in specified circumstances;

(3) for a delegation, may be modified by a re-delegation under this subsection by the co-fiduciary to which the delegation is made; and

(4) subject to paragraph (3), is permanent, unless the release or delegation in the record provides a specified period, including a period measured by the life of an individual or the lives of more than one individual.

(i) Terms of a trust which deny or limit the power to adjust between income and principal do not affect the application of this section, unless the terms of the trust expressly deny or limit the power to adjust under subsection (a).

(j) The exercise of the power to adjust under subsection (a) in any accounting period may

apply to the current period, the immediately preceding period, and one or more subsequent periods.

(k) A description of the exercise of the power to adjust under subsection (a) must be:

(1) included in a report, if any, sent to beneficiaries under [Uniform Trust Code Section 813(c)]; or

(2) communicated at least annually to [the qualified beneficiaries determined under [Uniform Trust Code Section 103(13)], other than [the Attorney General]][all beneficiaries that receive or are entitled to receive income from the trust or would be entitled to receive a distribution of principal if the trust were terminated at the time the notice is sent, assuming no power of appointment is exercised].

*Legislative Note: Modify subsection (f) if the state requires fiduciaries to act unanimously.*

*In subsection (k), refer to Uniform Trust Code Sections 813(c) and 103(13) or modify subsection (k) appropriately or refer to the corresponding provision of the state's Trust Code if the state has not enacted the Uniform Trust Code.*

## [ARTICLE] 3

### UNITRUST

**SECTION 301. DEFINITIONS.** In this [article]:

(1) “Applicable value” means the amount of the net fair market value of a trust taken into account under Section 307.

(2) “Express unitrust” means a trust for which, under the terms of the trust without regard to this [article], income or net income must or may be calculated as a unitrust amount.

(3) “Income trust” means a trust that is not a unitrust.

(4) “Net fair market value of the trust” means the fair market value of the assets of the trust, less the noncontingent liabilities of the trust.



(5) “Unitrust” means a trust for which net income is a unitrust amount. The term includes an express unitrust.

(6) “Unitrust amount” means an amount computed by multiplying a determined value of a trust by a determined percentage. For a unitrust administered under a unitrust policy, the term means the applicable value multiplied by the unitrust rate.

(7) “Unitrust policy” means a policy described in Sections 305 through 309 and adopted under Section 303.

(8) “Unitrust rate” means the rate used to compute the unitrust amount under paragraph (6) for a unitrust administered under a unitrust policy.

#### **SECTION 302. APPLICATION; DUTIES AND REMEDIES.**

(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b), this [article] applies to:

(1) an income trust, unless the terms of the trust expressly prohibit use of this [article] by a specific reference to this [article] or an explicit expression of intent that net income not be calculated as a unitrust amount; and

(2) an express unitrust, except to the extent the terms of the trust explicitly:

(A) prohibit use of this [article] by a specific reference to this [article];

(B) prohibit conversion to an income trust; or

(C) limit changes to the method of calculating the unitrust amount.

(b) This [article] does not apply to a trust described in Section 170(f)(2)(B), 642(c)(5), 664(d), 2702(a)(3)(A)(ii) or (iii), or 2702(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section 170(f)(2)(B), 642(c)(5), 664(d), 2702(a)(3)(A)(ii) or (iii), or 2702(b)][, as amended].

(c) An income trust to which this [article] applies under subsection (a)(1) may be

converted to a unitrust under this [article] regardless of the terms of the trust concerning distributions. Conversion to a unitrust under this [article] does not affect other terms of the trust concerning distributions of income or principal.

(d) This [article] applies to an estate only to the extent a trust is a beneficiary of the estate. To the extent of the trust's interest in the estate, the estate may be administered as a unitrust, the administration of the estate as a unitrust may be discontinued, or the percentage or method used to calculate the unitrust amount may be changed, in the same manner as for a trust under this [article].

(e) This [article] does not create a duty to take or consider action under this [article] or to inform a beneficiary about the applicability of this [article].

(f) A fiduciary that in good faith takes or fails to take an action under this [article] is not liable to a person affected by the action or inaction.

***Legislative Note:** In states in which the constitution, or other law, does not permit the phrase "as amended" when federal statutes are incorporated into state law, the phrase should be omitted.*

### **SECTION 303. AUTHORITY OF FIDUCIARY.**

(a) A fiduciary, without court approval, by complying with subsections (b) and (f), may:

(1) convert an income trust to a unitrust if the fiduciary adopts in a record a unitrust policy for the trust providing:

(A) that in administering the trust the net income of the trust will be a unitrust amount rather than net income determined without regard to this [article]; and

(B) the percentage and method used to calculate the unitrust amount;

(2) change the percentage or method used to calculate a unitrust amount for a unitrust if the fiduciary adopts in a record a unitrust policy or an amendment or replacement of a

unitrust policy providing changes in the percentage or method used to calculate the unitrust amount; or

(3) convert a unitrust to an income trust if the fiduciary adopts in a record a determination that, in administering the trust, the net income of the trust will be net income determined without regard to this [article] rather than a unitrust amount.

(b) A fiduciary may take an action under subsection (a) if:

(1) the fiduciary determines that the action will assist the fiduciary to administer a trust impartially;

(2) the fiduciary sends a notice, in the manner required by Section 304, describing and proposing to take the action;

(3) the fiduciary sends a copy of the notice under paragraph (2) to each settlor of the trust that is:

(A) if an individual, living; or

(B) if not an individual, in existence;

(4) at least one member of each class[ of the qualified beneficiaries determined under [Uniform Trust Code Section 103(13)], other than [the Attorney General],] receiving the notice under paragraph (2) is:

(A) if an individual, legally competent; [or]

(B) if not an individual, in existence; [or]

(C) represented in the manner provided in Section 304(b);] and

(5) the fiduciary does not receive, by the date specified in the notice under Section 304[(d)(5)][(c)(5)], an objection in a record to the action proposed under paragraph (2) from a person to which the notice under paragraph (2) is sent.

(c) If a fiduciary receives, not later than the date stated in the notice under Section 304[(d)(5)][(c)(5)], an objection in a record described in Section 304[(d)(4)][(c)(4)] to an action proposed under subsection (b)(2), the fiduciary or a beneficiary may petition the court to have the proposed action taken as proposed, taken with modifications, or prevented. A person described in Section 304(a) may oppose the action proposed under subsection (b)(2) in the proceeding under this subsection, whether or not the person:

(1) consented under Section 304[(c)][(b)]; or

(2) objected under Section 304[(d)(4)][(c)(4)].

(d) If, after sending a notice under subsection (b)(2), a fiduciary decides not to take the action proposed in the notice, the fiduciary shall notify in a record each person described in Section 304(a) of the decision not to take the action and the reasons for the decision.

(e) If a beneficiary requests in a record that a fiduciary take an action described in subsection (a) and the fiduciary declines to act or does not act not later than 90 days after receiving the request, the beneficiary may petition the court to direct the fiduciary to take the action requested.

(f) In deciding whether and how to take an action authorized by subsection (a), or whether and how to respond to a request by a beneficiary under subsection (e), a fiduciary shall consider all factors relevant to the trust and the beneficiaries, including relevant factors in Section 201(e).

(g) A fiduciary may release or delegate the power to convert an income trust to a unitrust under subsection (a)(1), change the percentage or method used to calculate a unitrust amount under subsection (a)(2), or convert a unitrust to an income trust under subsection (a)(3) for a reason described in Section 203(g) and in the manner described in Section 203(h).

**Legislative Note:** In subsection (b)(4), refer to Uniform Trust Code Section 103(13) or modify

*subsection (b)(4) appropriately or refer to the corresponding provision of the state's Trust Code if the state has not enacted the Uniform Trust Code. In subsections (b)(5) and (c), use the reference in the first set of brackets if Alternative A of Section 304 is used and use the reference in the second set of brackets if Alternative B of Section 304 is used.*

**SECTION 304. NOTICE.**

**Alternative A**

(a) A notice required by Section 303(b)(2) must be sent in a manner authorized under [Uniform Trust Code Section 109] to:

(1) the qualified beneficiaries determined under [Uniform Trust Code Section 103(13)], other than [the Attorney General]; [and]

(2) [each person acting as trust director of the trust under the Uniform Directed Trust Act][each person that is granted a power over the trust by the terms of the trust, to the extent the power is exercisable when the person is not then serving as a trustee:

(A) including a:

(i) power over the investment, management, or distribution of trust property or other matters of trust administration; and

(ii) power to appoint or remove a trustee or person described in this paragraph; and

(B) excluding a:

(i) power of appointment;

(ii) power of a beneficiary over the trust, to the extent the exercise or nonexercise of the power affects the beneficial interest of the beneficiary or another beneficiary represented by the beneficiary under [Uniform Trust Code Sections 301 through 305] with respect to the exercise or nonexercise of the power; and

(iii) power over the trust if the terms of the trust provide that the power is held in a nonfiduciary capacity and the power must be held in a nonfiduciary capacity to achieve a tax objective under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended]]]; and

(3) each person that is granted a power to appoint or remove a trustee or person described in paragraph (2) by the terms of the trust, to the extent the power is exercisable when the person that exercises the power is not then serving as a trustee or as a person described in paragraph (2)].

(b) The representation provisions of [Uniform Trust Code Article 3] apply to notice under this section.

#### **Alternative B**

(a) A notice required by Section 303(b)(2) must be sent to:

(1) all beneficiaries that receive or are entitled to receive income from the trust or would be entitled to receive a distribution of principal if the trust were terminated at the time the notice is sent, assuming no power of appointment is exercised; [and]

(2) [each person acting as trust director of the trust under the Uniform Directed Trust Act]]each person that is granted a power over the trust by the terms of the trust, to the extent the power is exercisable when the person is not then serving as a trustee:

(A) including a:

(i) power over the investment, management, or distribution of trust property or other matters of trust administration; and

(ii) power to appoint or remove a trustee or person described in this paragraph; and

(B) excluding a:

- (i) power of appointment;
  - (ii) power of a beneficiary over the trust, to the extent the exercise or nonexercise of the power affects the beneficial interest of the beneficiary; and
  - (iii) power over the trust if the terms of the trust provide that the power is held in a nonfiduciary capacity and the power must be held in a nonfiduciary capacity to achieve a tax objective under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended]]]; and
- (3) each person that is granted a power to appoint or remove a trustee or person described in paragraph (2) by the terms of the trust, to the extent the power is exercisable when the person that exercises the power is not then serving as a trustee or as a person described in paragraph (2)].

#### **End of Alternatives**

[(c)][(b)] A person may consent in a record at any time to action proposed under Section 303(b)(2). The notice need not be sent to a person that consents under this subsection.

[(d)][(c)] A notice required by Section 303(b)(2) must include:

- (1) notice of the action proposed under Section 303(b)(2);
- (2) for a conversion of an income trust to a unitrust, a copy of the unitrust policy adopted under Section 303(a)(1);
- (3) for a change in the percentage or method used to calculate the unitrust amount, a copy of the unitrust policy or amendment or replacement of the unitrust policy adopted under Section 303(a)(2);
- (4) a statement that the person to which the notice is sent may object to the proposed action by stating in a record the basis for the objection and sending or delivering the record to the fiduciary;

(5) the date by which an objection under paragraph (4) must be received by the fiduciary, which must be at least 30 days after the date the notice is sent;

(6) the date on which the action is proposed to be taken and the date on which the action is proposed to take effect;

(7) the name and contact information of the fiduciary; and

(8) the name and contact information of a person that may be contacted for additional information.

**Legislative Note:** Use Alternative A and the designations in the first set of brackets if the state has enacted the Uniform Trust Code. Use Alternative B and the subsection designations in the second set of brackets if the state has not enacted the Uniform Trust Code.

*In states in which the constitution, or other law, does not permit the phrase “as amended” when federal statutes are incorporated into state law, the phrase should be omitted.*

*In either Alternative A or B, modify subsection (a)(2) to refer to the Uniform Directed Trust Act and include subsection (a)(3) if the state has enacted the Uniform Directed Trust Act or modify subsection (a)(2) appropriately and omit subsection (a)(3) if the state has not enacted the Uniform Directed Trust Act.*

### **SECTION 305. UNITRUST POLICY.**

(a) In administering a unitrust under this [article], a fiduciary shall follow a unitrust policy adopted under Section 303(a)(1) or (2) or amended or replaced under Section 303(a)(2).

(b) A unitrust policy must provide:

(1) the unitrust rate or the method for determining the unitrust rate under Section 306;

(2) the method for determining the applicable value under Section 307; and

(3) the rules described in Sections 306 through 309 that apply in the administration of the unitrust, whether the rules are:

(A) mandatory, as provided in Sections 307(a) and 308(a); or



(B) optional, as provided in Sections 306, 307(b), 308(b), and 309(a), to the extent the fiduciary elects to adopt those rules.

**SECTION 306. UNITRUST RATE.**

(a) Except as otherwise provided in Section 309(b)(1), a unitrust rate may be:

(1) a fixed unitrust rate; or

(2) a unitrust rate that is determined for each period using:

(A) a market index or other published data; or

(B) a mathematical blend of market indices or other published data over a stated number of preceding periods.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in Section 309(b)(3), a unitrust policy may provide:

(1) a limit on how high the unitrust rate determined under subsection (a)(2) may rise;

(2) a limit on how low the unitrust rate determined under subsection (a)(2) may fall;

(3) a limit on how much the unitrust rate determined under subsection (a)(2) may increase over the unitrust rate for the preceding period or a mathematical blend of unitrust rates over a stated number of preceding periods;

(4) a limit on how much the unitrust rate determined under subsection (a)(2) may decrease below the unitrust rate for the preceding period or a mathematical blend of unitrust rates over a stated number of preceding periods; or

(5) a mathematical blend of any of the unitrust rates determined under paragraphs (1) through (4) and subsection (a)(2).

**SECTION 307. APPLICABLE VALUE.**

(a) A unitrust policy must provide the method for determining the fair market value of an asset for purposes of determining the unitrust amount, including:

(1) the frequency of valuing an asset, which need not require a valuation in every period; and

(2) the date for valuing an asset in each period in which the asset is valued.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in Section 309(b)(3), a unitrust policy may provide methods for determining the amount of the fair market value of assets to take into account in determining the applicable value, including:

(1) obtaining an appraisal of an asset for which fair market value is not readily available;

(2) exclusion of specific assets or groups or types of assets;

(3) other exceptions or modifications of the treatment of specific assets or groups or types of assets;

(4) identification and treatment of cash or property held for distribution;

(5) use of:

(A) an average of fair market values over a stated number of preceding periods; or

(B) another mathematical blend of fair market values over a stated number of preceding periods;

(6) a limit on how much the applicable value of all assets, groups of assets, or individual assets may increase over:

(A) the corresponding applicable value for the preceding period; or

(B) a mathematical blend of applicable values over a stated number of preceding periods;

(7) a limit on how much the applicable value of all assets, groups of assets, or individual assets may decrease below:

(A) the corresponding applicable value for the preceding period; or

(B) a mathematical blend of applicable values over a stated number of preceding periods;

(8) the treatment of accrued income and other features of an asset which affect value; or

(9) determining the liabilities of the trust, including treatment of liabilities to conform with the treatment of assets under paragraphs (1) through (8).

**SECTION 308. PERIOD.**

(a) A unitrust policy must provide the period used under Sections 306 and 307. Except as otherwise provided in Section 309(b)(2), the period may be:

(1) a calendar year;

(2) a 12-month period other than a calendar year;

(3) a calendar quarter;

(4) a three-month period other than a calendar quarter; or

(5) another period.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in Section 309(b)(3), a unitrust policy may provide standards for:

(1) using fewer preceding periods under Section 306(a)(2)(B) or (b)(3) or (4) if:

(A) the trust was not in existence in a preceding period; or

(B) market indices or other published data are not available for a preceding period;

(2) using fewer preceding periods under Section 307(b)(5)(A) or (B), (6)(B), or (7)(B) if:

(A) the trust was not in existence in a preceding period; or

(B) fair market values are not available for a preceding period; or

(3) prorating the unitrust amount on a daily basis for a part of a period in which the trust or the administration of the trust as a unitrust or the interest of any beneficiary commences or terminates.

#### **SECTION 309. SPECIAL TAX BENEFITS; OTHER RULES.**

(a) A unitrust policy may:

(1) provide methods and standards for:

(A) determining the timing of distributions;

(B) making distributions in cash or in kind or partly in cash and partly in kind; or

(C) correcting an underpayment or overpayment to a beneficiary based on the unitrust amount if there is an error in calculating the unitrust amount;

(2) specify sources and the order of sources, including categories of income for federal income tax purposes, from which distributions of a unitrust amount are paid; or

(3) provide other standards and rules the fiduciary determines serve the interests of the beneficiaries.

(b) If a trust qualifies for a special tax benefit or a fiduciary is not an independent person:

(1) the unitrust rate established under Section 306 may not be less than three

percent or more than five percent;

(2) the only period that may be used under Section 308 is a calendar year under Section 308(a)(1); and

(3) no other provision of Sections 307 and 308 applies, except Sections 307(a) and (b)(1), (4), (5)(A), and (9) and 308(b)(2)(A) and (3).

#### **[ARTICLE] 4**

### **ALLOCATION OF RECEIPTS**

#### **[PART] 1**

### **RECEIPTS FROM ENTITY**

#### **SECTION 401. CHARACTER OF RECEIPTS FROM ENTITY.**

(a) In this section:

(1) “Capital distribution” means an entity distribution of money which is a:

(A) return of capital; or

(B) distribution in total or partial liquidation of the entity.

(2) “Entity”:

(A) means a corporation, partnership, limited liability company, regulated investment company, real estate investment trust, common trust fund, or any other organization or arrangement in which a fiduciary owns or holds an interest, whether or not the entity is a taxpayer for federal income tax purposes; and

(B) does not include:

(i) a trust or estate to which Section 402 applies;

(ii) a business or other activity to which Section 403 applies which is not conducted by an entity described in subparagraph (A);

- (iii) an asset-backed security to which Section 415 applies; or
- (iv) an instrument or arrangement to which Section 416 applies.

(3) “Entity distribution” means a payment or transfer made by an entity to a person that owns or holds an interest in the entity and made to the person in the person’s capacity as an owner or holder of the interest.

(b) In this section, an attribute or action of an entity includes an attribute or action of any other entity in which the entity owns or holds an interest, including an interest owned or held indirectly through another entity.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a fiduciary shall allocate to income:

- (1) money received in an entity distribution; and
- (2) tangible personal property of nominal value received from the entity.

(d) A fiduciary shall allocate to principal:

- (1) property received in an entity distribution which is not:
  - (A) money; or
  - (B) tangible personal property of nominal value;
- (2) money received in an entity distribution in an exchange for part or all of the fiduciary’s interest in the entity, to the extent the entity distribution reduces the fiduciary’s interest in the entity relative to the interests of other persons that own or hold interests in the entity;
- (3) money received in an entity distribution that the fiduciary determines or estimates is a capital distribution; and
- (4) money received in an entity distribution from an entity that is:
  - (A) a regulated investment company or a real estate investment trust if the

money received is a capital gain dividend for federal income tax purposes; or

(B) treated for federal income tax purposes comparably to the treatment described in subparagraph (A).

(e) A fiduciary may determine or estimate that money received in an entity distribution is a capital distribution:

(1) by relying without inquiry or investigation on a characterization of the entity distribution provided by or on behalf of the entity, unless the fiduciary:

(A) determines, on the basis of information known to the fiduciary, that the characterization is or may be incorrect; or

(B) owns or holds more than 50 percent of the voting interest in the entity;

(2) by determining or estimating, on the basis of information known to the fiduciary or provided to the fiduciary by or on behalf of the entity, that the total amount of money and property received by the fiduciary in the entity distribution or a series of related entity distributions is or will be greater than 20 percent of the fair market value of the fiduciary's interest in the entity; or

(3) if neither paragraph (1) nor (2) applies, by considering the factors in subsection (f) and the information known to the fiduciary or provided to the fiduciary by or on behalf of the entity.

(f) In making a determination or estimate under subsection (e)(3), a fiduciary may consider:

(1) a characterization of the entity distribution provided by or on behalf of the entity;

(2) the amount of money or property received in:

(A) an entity distribution; or

(B) what the fiduciary determines is or will be a series of related entity distributions;

(3) the size of the amount described in paragraph (2) compared to the amount the fiduciary determines or estimates is, during the current or preceding accounting periods:

(A) the entity's operating income;

(B) the proceeds of the entity's sale or other disposition of:

(i) all or part of the business or other activity conducted by the entity;

(ii) one or more business assets that are not sold to customers in the ordinary course of the business or other activity conducted by the entity; or

(iii) one or more assets other than business assets, unless the entity's primary activity is to invest in assets to realize gain on the disposition of all or some of the assets;

(C) if the entity's primary activity is to invest in assets to realize gain on the disposition of all or some of the assets, the gain realized on the disposition;

(D) the entity's regular, periodic entity distributions;

(E) the amount of money the entity has accumulated;

(F) the amount of money the entity has borrowed;

(G) the amount of money the entity has received from the sources described in Sections 407, 410, 411, and 412; and

(H) the amount of money the entity has received from a source not described in this paragraph; and



(4) any other factor the fiduciary determines is relevant.

(g) If, after applying subsections (c) through (f), a fiduciary determines that a part of an entity distribution is a capital distribution but is in doubt about the amount of the entity distribution which is a capital distribution, the fiduciary shall allocate to principal the amount of the entity distribution which is in doubt.

(h) If a fiduciary receives additional information about the application of this section to an entity distribution before the fiduciary has paid part of the entity distribution to a beneficiary, the fiduciary may consider the additional information before making the payment to the beneficiary and may change a decision to make the payment to the beneficiary.

(i) If a fiduciary receives additional information about the application of this section to an entity distribution after the fiduciary has paid part of the entity distribution to a beneficiary, the fiduciary is not required to change or recover the payment to the beneficiary but may consider that information in determining whether to exercise the power to adjust under Section 203.

**SECTION 402. DISTRIBUTION FROM TRUST OR ESTATE.** A fiduciary shall allocate to income an amount received as a distribution of income, including a unitrust distribution under [Article] 3, from a trust or estate in which the fiduciary has an interest, other than an interest the fiduciary purchased in a trust that is an investment entity, and shall allocate to principal an amount received as a distribution of principal from the trust or estate. If a fiduciary purchases, or receives from a settlor, an interest in a trust that is an investment entity, Section 401, 415, or 416 applies to a receipt from the trust.

**SECTION 403. BUSINESS OR OTHER ACTIVITY CONDUCTED BY FIDUCIARY.**

(a) This section applies to a business or other activity conducted by a fiduciary if the

fiduciary determines that it is in the interests of the beneficiaries to account separately for the business or other activity instead of:

(1) accounting for the business or other activity as part of the fiduciary's general accounting records; or

(2) conducting the business or other activity through an entity described in Section 401(a)(2)(A).

(b) A fiduciary may account separately under this section for the transactions of a business or other activity, whether or not assets of the business or other activity are segregated from other assets held by the fiduciary.

(c) A fiduciary that accounts separately under this section for a business or other activity:

(1) may determine:

(A) the extent to which the net cash receipts of the business or other activity must be retained for:

(i) working capital;

(ii) the acquisition or replacement of fixed assets; and

(iii) other reasonably foreseeable needs of the business or other activity; and

(B) the extent to which the remaining net cash receipts are accounted for as principal or income in the fiduciary's general accounting records for the trust;

(2) may make a determination under paragraph (1) separately and differently from the fiduciary's decisions concerning distributions of income or principal; and

(3) shall account for the net amount received from the sale of an asset of the business or other activity, other than a sale in the ordinary course of the business or other activity,

as principal in the fiduciary's general accounting records for the trust, to the extent the fiduciary determines that the net amount received is no longer required in the conduct of the business or other activity.

(d) Activities for which a fiduciary may account separately under this section include:

- (1) retail, manufacturing, service, and other traditional business activities;
- (2) farming;
- (3) raising and selling livestock and other animals;
- (4) managing rental properties;
- (5) extracting minerals, water, and other natural resources;
- (6) growing and cutting timber;
- (7) an activity to which Section 414, 415, or 416 applies; and
- (8) any other business conducted by the fiduciary.

## **[PART] 2**

### **RECEIPTS NOT NORMALLY APPORTIONED**

**SECTION 404. PRINCIPAL RECEIPTS.** A fiduciary shall allocate to principal:

- (1) to the extent not allocated to income under this [act], an asset received from:
  - (A) an individual during the individual's lifetime;
  - (B) an estate;
  - (C) a trust on termination of an income interest; or
  - (D) a payor under a contract naming the fiduciary as beneficiary;
- (2) subject to this [article], money or other property received from the sale, exchange, liquidation, or change in form of a principal asset;
- (3) an amount recovered from a third party to reimburse the fiduciary because of a

disbursement described in Section 502(a) or for other reasons to the extent not based on loss of income;

(4) proceeds of property taken by eminent domain, except that proceeds awarded for loss of income in an accounting period are income if a current income beneficiary had a mandatory income interest during the period;

(5) net income received in an accounting period during which there is no beneficiary to which a fiduciary may or must distribute income; and

(6) other receipts as provided in [Part] 3.

**SECTION 405. RENTAL PROPERTY.** To the extent a fiduciary does not account for the management of rental property as a business under Section 403, the fiduciary shall allocate to income an amount received as rent of real or personal property, including an amount received for cancellation or renewal of a lease. An amount received as a refundable deposit, including a security deposit or a deposit that is to be applied as rent for future periods, must be added to principal and held subject to the terms of the lease, except as otherwise provided by law other than this [act], and is not allocated to income or available for distribution to a beneficiary until the fiduciary's contractual obligations have been satisfied with respect to that amount.

**SECTION 406. RECEIPT ON OBLIGATION TO BE PAID IN MONEY.**

(a) This section does not apply to an obligation to which Section 409, 410, 411, 412, 414, 415, or 416 applies.

(b) A fiduciary shall allocate to income, without provision for amortization of premium, an amount received as interest on an obligation to pay money to the fiduciary, including an amount received as consideration for prepaying principal.

(c) A fiduciary shall allocate to principal an amount received from the sale, redemption, or

other disposition of an obligation to pay money to the fiduciary. A fiduciary shall allocate to income the increment in value of a bond or other obligation for the payment of money bearing no stated interest but payable or redeemable at maturity or at a future time at an amount that exceeds the amount in consideration of which it was issued.

**SECTION 407. INSURANCE POLICY OR CONTRACT.**

(a) This section does not apply to a contract to which Section 409 applies.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c), a fiduciary shall allocate to principal the proceeds of a life insurance policy or other contract received by the fiduciary as beneficiary, including a contract that insures against damage to, destruction of, or loss of title to an asset. The fiduciary shall allocate dividends on an insurance policy to income to the extent premiums on the policy are paid from income and to principal to the extent premiums on the policy are paid from principal.

(c) A fiduciary shall allocate to income proceeds of a contract that insures the fiduciary against loss of:

- (1) occupancy or other use by a current income beneficiary;
- (2) income; or
- (3) subject to Section 403, profits from a business.

**[PART] 3**

**RECEIPTS NORMALLY APPORTIONED**

**SECTION 408. INSUBSTANTIAL ALLOCATIONS NOT REQUIRED.**

(a) If a fiduciary determines that an allocation between income and principal required by Section 409, 410, 411, 412, or 415 is insubstantial, the fiduciary may allocate the entire amount to principal, unless Section 203(e) applies to the allocation.

(b) For subsection (a), a fiduciary may presume an allocation is insubstantial if:

(1) the amount of the allocation would increase or decrease net income in an accounting period, as determined before the allocation, by less than 10 percent; and

(2) the asset producing the receipt to be allocated has a fair market value less than 10 percent of the total fair market value of the assets owned or held by the fiduciary at the beginning of the accounting period.

(c) The power to make a determination under subsection (a):

(1) may be exercised by a co-fiduciary as described in Section 203(f); or

(2) may be released or delegated for a reason described in Section 203(g) and in the manner described in Section 203(h).

**SECTION 409. DEFERRED COMPENSATION, ANNUITY, OR SIMILAR PAYMENT.**

(a) In this section:

(1) “Internal income of a separate fund” means the amount determined under subsection (b).

(2) “Marital trust” means a trust:

(A) of which the settlor’s surviving spouse is the only current income beneficiary and is entitled to a distribution of all the current net income of the trust; and

(B) that qualifies for a marital deduction with respect to the settlor’s estate under Section 2056 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section 2056][, as amended,] because:

(i) an election to qualify for a marital deduction under Section 2056(b)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section

2056(b)(7)][, as amended,] has been made; or

(ii) the trust qualifies for a marital deduction under Section 2056(b)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section 2056(b)(5)][, as amended].

(3) “Payment” means an amount a fiduciary may receive over a fixed number of years or during the life of one or more individuals because of services rendered or property transferred to the payor in exchange for future amounts the fiduciary may receive. The term includes an amount received in money or property from the payor’s general assets or from a separate fund created by the payor.

(4) “Separate fund” includes a private or commercial annuity, an individual retirement account, and a pension, profit-sharing, stock-bonus, or stock-ownership plan.

(b) A fiduciary shall determine the internal income of a separate fund for each accounting period under the following rules:

(1) The fiduciary shall determine the internal income of the separate fund as if the fund were a trust subject to this [act].

(2) If the fiduciary cannot determine the internal income of the separate fund under paragraph (1), the internal income of the fund is deemed to equal [insert a number at least three and not more than five] percent of the value of the fund, according to the most recent statement of value preceding the beginning of the accounting period.

(3) If the fiduciary cannot determine the value of the separate fund under paragraph (2), the value of the fund is deemed to equal the present value of the expected future payments, as determined under Section 7520 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended][, 26 U.S.C. Section 7520][, as amended], for the month preceding the beginning of the

accounting period for which the computation is made.

(c) A fiduciary shall allocate a payment received from a separate fund during an accounting period to income, to the extent of the internal income of the fund during the period, and the balance to principal.

(d) The fiduciary of a marital trust shall:

(1) withdraw from a separate fund the amount the current income beneficiary of the trust requests the fiduciary to withdraw, not greater than the amount by which the internal income of the fund during the accounting period exceeds the amount the fiduciary otherwise receives from the fund during the period;

(2) transfer from principal to income the amount the current income beneficiary requests the fiduciary to transfer, not greater than the amount by which the internal income of the fund during the period exceeds the amount the fiduciary receives from the fund during the period after the application of paragraph (1); and

(3) distribute to the current income beneficiary as income:

(A) the amount of the internal income of the fund received or withdrawn during the period; and

(B) the amount transferred from principal to income under paragraph (2).

(e) For a trust, other than a marital trust, of which one or more current income beneficiaries are entitled to a distribution of all the current net income, the fiduciary shall transfer from principal to income the amount by which the internal income of a separate fund during the accounting period exceeds the amount the fiduciary receives from the fund during the period.

***Legislative Note:*** *In states in which the constitution, or other law, does not permit the phrase “as amended” when federal statutes are incorporated into state law, the phrase should be omitted. The bracketed words in subsection (b)(2) should be replaced with a percentage that fiduciaries*



*may rely on as a “safe harbor.” The 2008 revision to the Uniform Principal and Income Act used the range of three to five percent because the Internal Revenue Service approved the use of that range in the context of unitrusts. See Treasury Reg. Section 1.643(b)-1.*

#### **SECTION 410. LIQUIDATING ASSET.**

(a) In this section, “liquidating asset” means an asset whose value will diminish or terminate because the asset is expected to produce receipts for a limited time. The term includes a leasehold, patent, copyright, royalty right, and right to receive payments during a period of more than one year under an arrangement that does not provide for the payment of interest on the unpaid balance.

(b) This section does not apply to a receipt subject to Section 401, 409, 411, 412, 414, 415, 416, or 503.

(c) A fiduciary shall allocate:

(1) to income:

(A) a receipt produced by a liquidating asset, to the extent the receipt does not exceed [insert a number at least three and not more than five] percent of the value of the asset; or

(B) if the fiduciary cannot determine the value of the asset, 10 percent of the receipt; and

(2) to principal, the balance of the receipt.

***Legislative Note:*** *The bracketed words in subsection (c)(1)(A) should be replaced with a percentage that fiduciaries may rely on as a “safe harbor.” The 2008 revision to the Uniform Principal and Income Act used the range of three to five percent because the Internal Revenue Service approved the use of that range in the context of unitrusts. See Treasury Reg. Section 1.643(b)-1.*

#### **SECTION 411. MINERALS, WATER, AND OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES.**

(a) If a fiduciary does not account for a receipt from an interest in minerals, water, or

other natural resources as a business under Section 403, the fiduciary shall allocate the receipt:

(1) to income, to the extent received:

(A) as delay rental or annual rent on a lease;

(B) as a factor for interest or the equivalent of interest under an agreement creating a production payment; or

(C) on account of an interest in water that is renewable;

(2) to principal, if received from a production payment, to the extent paragraph

(1)(B) does not apply; or

(3) between income and principal equitably, to the extent received:

(A) on account of an interest in water that is not renewable;

(B) as a royalty, shut-in-well payment, take-or-pay payment, or bonus; or

(C) from a working interest or any other interest not provided for in paragraph (1), (2), or (3)(A) or (B).

(b) This section applies to an interest owned or held by a fiduciary whether or not a settlor was extracting minerals, water, or other natural resources before the fiduciary owned or held the interest.

(c) An allocation of a receipt under subsection (a)(3) is presumed to be equitable if the amount allocated to principal is equal to the amount allowed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986[, as amended,] as a deduction for depletion of the interest.

(d) If a fiduciary owns or holds an interest in minerals, water, or other natural resources before [the effective date of this [act]], the fiduciary may allocate receipts from the interest as provided in this section or in the manner used by the fiduciary before [the effective date of this [act]]. If the fiduciary acquires an interest in minerals, water, or other natural resources on or

after [the effective date of this [act]], the fiduciary shall allocate receipts from the interest as provided in this section.

*Legislative Note: In states in which the constitution, or other law, does not permit the phrase “as amended” when federal statutes are incorporated into state law, the phrase should be omitted.*

#### **SECTION 412. TIMBER.**

(a) To the extent a fiduciary does not account for receipts from the sale of timber and related products as a business under Section 403, the fiduciary shall allocate the net receipts:

(1) to income, to the extent the amount of timber cut from the land does not exceed the rate of growth of the timber;

(2) to principal, to the extent the amount of timber cut from the land exceeds the rate of growth of the timber or the net receipts are from the sale of standing timber;

(3) between income and principal if the net receipts are from the lease of land used for growing and cutting timber or from a contract to cut timber from land, by determining the amount of timber cut from the land under the lease or contract and applying the rules in paragraphs (1) and (2); or

(4) to principal, to the extent advance payments, bonuses, and other payments are not allocated under paragraph (1), (2), or (3).

(b) In determining net receipts to be allocated under subsection (a), a fiduciary shall deduct and transfer to principal a reasonable amount for depletion.

(c) This section applies to land owned or held by a fiduciary whether or not a settlor was cutting timber from the land before the fiduciary owned or held the property.

(d) If a fiduciary owns or holds an interest in land used for growing and cutting timber before [the effective date of this [act]], the fiduciary may allocate net receipts from the sale of

timber and related products as provided in this section or in the manner used by the fiduciary before [the effective date of this [act]]. If the fiduciary acquires an interest in land used for growing and cutting timber on or after [the effective date of this [act]], the fiduciary shall allocate net receipts from the sale of timber and related products as provided in this section.

**SECTION 413. MARITAL DEDUCTION PROPERTY NOT PRODUCTIVE OF INCOME.** If a trust received property for which a gift or estate tax marital deduction was allowed and the settlor's spouse holds a mandatory income interest in the trust, the spouse may require the trustee to make property productive of income, convert property to property productive of income within a reasonable time, or exercise the power to adjust under Section 203, to the extent the trust assets otherwise do not provide the spouse with sufficient income from or use of the trust assets to qualify for the deduction. The trustee may decide which action or combination of actions to take.

**SECTION 414. DERIVATIVE OR OPTION.**

(a) In this section, "derivative" means a contract, instrument, other arrangement, or combination of contracts, instruments, or other arrangements, the value, rights, and obligations of which are, in whole or in part, dependent on or derived from an underlying tangible or intangible asset, group of tangible or intangible assets, index, or occurrence of an event. The term includes stocks, fixed income securities, and financial instruments and arrangements based on indices, commodities, interest rates, weather-related events, and credit-default events.

(b) To the extent a fiduciary does not account for a transaction in derivatives as a business under Section 403, the fiduciary shall allocate 10 percent of receipts from the transaction and 10 percent of disbursements made in connection with the transaction to income and the balance to principal.

(c) If a fiduciary grants an option to buy property from a trust, whether or not the trust owns the property when the option is granted, grants an option that permits another person to sell property to the trust, or acquires an option to buy property for the trust or an option to sell an asset owned by the trust, and the fiduciary or other owner of the asset is required to deliver the asset if the option is exercised, the fiduciary shall allocate the following amounts 10 percent to income and the balance to principal:

- (1) an amount received for granting the option;
- (2) an amount paid to acquire the option; and
- (3) gain or loss realized on the exercise, exchange, settlement, offset, closing, or expiration of the option.

#### **SECTION 415. ASSET-BACKED SECURITY.**

(a) In this section, “asset-backed security” means a security that is serviced primarily by the cash flows of a discrete pool of fixed or revolving receivables or other financial assets that by their terms convert into cash within a finite time. The term includes rights or other assets that ensure the servicing or timely distribution of proceeds to the holder of the asset-backed security. The term does not include an asset to which Section 401, 409, or 414 applies.

(b) Subject to subsection (c), a fiduciary shall allocate to income a receipt from or related to an asset-backed security, to the extent the payor identifies the payment as being from interest or other current return, and to principal the balance of the receipt.

(c) If a fiduciary receives one or more payments in exchange for part or all of the fiduciary’s interest in an asset-backed security, including a liquidation or redemption of the fiduciary’s interest in the security, the fiduciary shall allocate to income 10 percent of receipts from the transaction and 10 percent of disbursements made in connection with the transaction,

and to principal the balance of the receipts and disbursements.

**SECTION 416. OTHER FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT OR ARRANGEMENT.** A

fiduciary shall allocate receipts from or related to a financial instrument or arrangement not otherwise addressed by this [act]. The allocation must be consistent with the rules provided and the principles reflected in Sections 414 and 415.

**[ARTICLE] 5**

**ALLOCATION OF DISBURSEMENTS**

**SECTION 501. DISBURSEMENT FROM INCOME.** Subject to Section 504, and except as otherwise provided in Section 601(c)(2) or (3), a fiduciary shall disburse from income:

(1) one-half of:

(A) the regular compensation of the fiduciary and any person providing investment advisory, custodial, or other services to the fiduciary, to the extent income is sufficient; and

(B) an expense for an accounting, judicial or nonjudicial proceeding, or other matter that involves both income and successive interests, to the extent income is sufficient;

(2) the balance of the disbursements described in paragraph (1), to the extent a fiduciary that is an independent person determines that making those disbursements from income would be in the interests of the beneficiaries;

(3) another ordinary expense incurred in connection with administration, management, or preservation of property and distribution of income, including interest, an ordinary repair, regularly recurring tax assessed against principal, and an expense of an accounting, judicial or nonjudicial proceeding, or other matter that involves primarily an income

interest, to the extent income is sufficient; and

(4) a premium on insurance covering loss of a principal asset or income from or use of the asset.

**SECTION 502. DISBURSEMENT FROM PRINCIPAL.**

(a) Subject to Section 505, and except as otherwise provided in Section 601(c)(2), a fiduciary shall disburse from principal:

(1) the balance of the disbursements described in Section 501(1) and (3), after application of Section 501(2);

(2) the fiduciary's compensation calculated on principal as a fee for acceptance, distribution, or termination;

(3) an expense to prepare for or execute a sale or other disposition of property;

(4) a payment on the principal of a trust debt;

(5) an expense of an accounting, judicial or nonjudicial proceeding, or other matter that involves primarily principal, including a proceeding to construe the terms of the trust or protect property;

(6) a premium on insurance, including title insurance, not described in Section 501(4), of which the fiduciary is the owner and beneficiary;

(7) an estate or inheritance tax or other tax imposed because of the death of a decedent, including penalties, apportioned to the trust; and

(8) a payment, including a premium for insurance, related to environmental matters, including reclamation, assessing environmental conditions, remedying and removing environmental contamination, monitoring remedial activities and the release of substances, preventing future releases of substances, collecting amounts from persons liable or potentially

liable for the costs of those activities, penalties imposed under environmental laws or regulations and other payments made to comply with those laws or regulations, statutory or common law claims by third parties, and defending claims based on environmental matters.

(b) If a principal asset is encumbered with an obligation that requires income from the asset to be paid directly to a creditor, the fiduciary shall transfer from principal to income an amount equal to the income paid to the creditor in reduction of the principal balance of the obligation.

**SECTION 503. TRANSFER FROM INCOME TO PRINCIPAL FOR DEPRECIATION.**

(a) In this section, “depreciation” means a reduction in value due to wear, tear, decay, corrosion, or gradual obsolescence of a tangible asset having a useful life of more than one year.

(b) A fiduciary may transfer to principal a reasonable amount of the net cash receipts from a principal asset that is subject to depreciation, but may not transfer any amount for depreciation:

(1) of the part of real property used or available for use by a beneficiary as a residence;

(2) of tangible personal property held or made available for the personal use or enjoyment of a beneficiary; or

(3) under this section, to the extent the fiduciary accounts:

(A) under Section 410 for the asset; or

(B) under Section 403 for the business or other activity in which the asset is used.

(c) An amount transferred to principal under this section need not be held as a separate fund.



#### **SECTION 504. REIMBURSEMENT OF INCOME FROM PRINCIPAL.**

(a) If a fiduciary makes or expects to make an income disbursement described in subsection (b), the fiduciary may transfer an appropriate amount from principal to income in one or more accounting periods to reimburse income.

(b) To the extent the fiduciary has not been and does not expect to be reimbursed by a third party, income disbursements to which subsection (a) applies include:

(1) an amount chargeable to principal but paid from income because principal is illiquid;

(2) a disbursement made to prepare property for sale, including improvements and commissions; and

(3) a disbursement described in Section 502(a).

(c) If an asset whose ownership gives rise to a disbursement becomes subject to a successive interest after an income interest ends, the fiduciary may continue to transfer amounts from principal to income under subsection (a).

#### **SECTION 505. REIMBURSEMENT OF PRINCIPAL FROM INCOME.**

(a) If a fiduciary makes or expects to make a principal disbursement described in subsection (b), the fiduciary may transfer an appropriate amount from income to principal in one or more accounting periods to reimburse principal or to provide a reserve for future principal disbursements.

(b) To the extent the fiduciary has not been and does not expect to be reimbursed by a third party, principal disbursements to which subsection (a) applies include:

(1) an amount chargeable to income but paid from principal because income is not sufficient;

(2) the cost of an improvement to principal, whether a change to an existing asset or the construction of a new asset, including a special assessment;

(3) a disbursement made to prepare property for rental, including tenant allowances, leasehold improvements, and commissions;

(4) a periodic payment on an obligation secured by a principal asset, to the extent the amount transferred from income to principal for depreciation is less than the periodic payments; and

(5) a disbursement described in Section 502(a).

(c) If an asset whose ownership gives rise to a disbursement becomes subject to a successive interest after an income interest ends, the fiduciary may continue to transfer amounts from income to principal under subsection (a).

#### **SECTION 506. INCOME TAXES.**

(a) A tax required to be paid by a fiduciary which is based on receipts allocated to income must be paid from income.

(b) A tax required to be paid by a fiduciary which is based on receipts allocated to principal must be paid from principal, even if the tax is called an income tax by the taxing authority.

(c) Subject to subsection (d) and Sections 504, 505, and 507, a tax required to be paid by a fiduciary on a share of an entity's taxable income in an accounting period must be paid from:

(1) income and principal proportionately to the allocation between income and principal of receipts from the entity in the period; and

(2) principal to the extent the tax exceeds the receipts from the entity in the period.

(d) After applying subsections (a) through (c), the fiduciary shall adjust income or principal receipts, to the extent the taxes the fiduciary pays are reduced because of a deduction for payments made to a beneficiary.

**SECTION 507. ADJUSTMENT BETWEEN INCOME AND PRINCIPAL  
BECAUSE OF TAXES.**

(a) A fiduciary may make an adjustment between income and principal to offset the shifting of economic interests or tax benefits between current income beneficiaries and successor beneficiaries which arises from:

(1) an election or decision the fiduciary makes regarding tax matters, other than a decision to claim an income tax deduction to which subsection (b) applies;

(2) an income tax or other tax imposed on the fiduciary or a beneficiary as a result of a transaction involving the fiduciary or a distribution by the fiduciary; or

(3) ownership by the fiduciary of an interest in an entity a part of whose taxable income, whether or not distributed, is includable in the taxable income of the fiduciary or a beneficiary.

(b) If the amount of an estate tax marital or charitable deduction is reduced because a fiduciary deducts an amount paid from principal for income tax purposes instead of deducting it for estate tax purposes, and as a result estate taxes paid from principal are increased and income taxes paid by a fiduciary or beneficiary are decreased, the fiduciary shall charge each beneficiary that benefits from the decrease in income tax, to reimburse the principal from which the increase in estate tax is paid. The total reimbursement must equal the increase in the estate tax, to the extent the principal used to pay the increase would have qualified for a marital or charitable deduction but for the payment. The share of the reimbursement for each fiduciary or beneficiary

whose income taxes are reduced must be the same as its share of the total decrease in income tax.

(c) A fiduciary that charges a beneficiary under subsection (b) may offset the charge by obtaining payment from the beneficiary, withholding an amount from future distributions to the beneficiary, or adopting another method or combination of methods.

## **[ARTICLE] 6**

### **DEATH OF DECEDENT OR TERMINATION OF INCOME INTEREST**

#### **SECTION 601. DETERMINATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF NET INCOME.**

(a) This section applies when:

- (1) the death of an individual results in the creation of an estate or trust; or
- (2) an income interest in a trust terminates, whether the trust continues or is

distributed.

(b) A fiduciary of an estate or trust with an income interest that terminates shall determine, under subsection [(g)][(e)] and [Articles] 4, 5, and 7, the amount of net income and net principal receipts received from property specifically given to a beneficiary. The fiduciary shall distribute the net income and net principal receipts to the beneficiary that is to receive the specific property.

(c) A fiduciary shall determine the income and net income of an estate or income interest that terminates, other than the amount of net income determined under subsection (b), under [Articles] 4, 5, and 7 and by:

(1) including in net income all income from property used or sold to discharge liabilities;

(2) paying from income or principal, in the fiduciary's discretion, fees of attorneys, accountants, and fiduciaries, court costs and other expenses of administration, and

interest on estate and inheritance taxes and other taxes imposed because of the death of a decedent, but the fiduciary may pay the expenses from income of property passing to a trust for which the fiduciary claims a federal estate tax marital or charitable deduction only to the extent:

(A) the payment of the expenses from income will not cause the reduction or loss of the deduction; or

(B) the fiduciary makes an adjustment under Section 507(b); and

(3) paying from principal other disbursements made or incurred in connection with the settlement of the estate or the winding up of an income interest that terminates, including, to the extent authorized by the decedent's will, the terms of the trust, or applicable law, debts, funeral expenses, disposition of remains, family allowances, estate and inheritance taxes, and other taxes imposed because of the death of the decedent and related penalties that are apportioned, by the decedent's will, the terms of the trust, or applicable law, to the estate or income interest that terminates.

[(d) If a decedent's will, the terms of a trust, or applicable law provides for the payment of interest or the equivalent of interest to a beneficiary that receives a pecuniary amount outright, the fiduciary shall make the payment from net income determined under subsection (c) or from principal to the extent net income is insufficient.

(e) If a beneficiary is to receive a pecuniary amount outright from a trust after an income interest ends because of an income beneficiary's death, and no payment of interest or the equivalent of interest is provided for by the terms of the trust or applicable law, the fiduciary shall pay the interest or the equivalent of interest to which the beneficiary would be entitled under applicable law if the pecuniary amount were required to be paid under a will.]

[(f)][(d)] A fiduciary shall distribute net income[ remaining after payments required by

subsections (d) and (e)] in the manner described in Section 602 to all other beneficiaries, including a beneficiary that receives a pecuniary amount in trust, even if the beneficiary holds an unqualified power to withdraw assets from the trust or other presently exercisable general power of appointment over the trust.

[(g)][(e)] A fiduciary may not reduce principal or income receipts from property described in subsection (b) because of a payment described in Section 501 or 502, to the extent the decedent's will, the terms of a trust, or applicable law requires the fiduciary to make the payment from assets other than the property or to the extent the fiduciary recovers or expects to recover the payment from a third party. The net income and principal receipts from the property must be determined by including all amounts the fiduciary receives or pays regarding the property, whether the amounts accrued or became due before, on, or after the date of a decedent's death or an income interest's terminating event, and making a reasonable provision for amounts the fiduciary believes the estate or income interest that terminates may become obligated to pay after the property is distributed.

***Legislative Note:** If state law already provides for interest on payments from a trust on the death of an income beneficiary, delete or modify subsections (d) and (e). If subsections (d) and (e) are not deleted, use the subsection reference in the first set of brackets in subsections (b), (f) and (g). If subsections (d) and (e) are deleted, use the subsection reference in the second set of brackets in subsection (b) and redesignated subsections (d) and (e), and delete the words in brackets in redesignated subsection (d).*

## **SECTION 602. DISTRIBUTION TO SUCCESSOR BENEFICIARY.**

(a) Except to the extent [Article] 3 applies for a beneficiary that is a trust, each beneficiary described in Section [601(f)][601(d)] is entitled to receive a share of the net income equal to the beneficiary's fractional interest in undistributed principal assets, using values as of the distribution date. If a fiduciary makes more than one distribution of assets to beneficiaries to

which this section applies, each beneficiary, including a beneficiary that does not receive part of the distribution, is entitled, as of each distribution date, to a share of the net income the fiduciary received after the decedent's death or an income interest's other terminating event or the preceding distribution by the fiduciary.

(b) In determining a beneficiary's share of net income under subsection (a), the following rules apply:

(1) The beneficiary is entitled to receive a share of the net income equal to the beneficiary's fractional interest in the undistributed principal assets immediately before the distribution date.

(2) The beneficiary's fractional interest in the undistributed principal assets under paragraph (1) must be calculated:

(A) on the aggregate value of those assets as of the distribution date without reducing the value by any unpaid principal obligation; and

(B) without regard to:

(i) property specifically given to a beneficiary under the decedent's will or the terms of a trust; and

(ii) property required to pay pecuniary amounts not in trust.

(3) The distribution date under paragraph (1) may be the date as of which the fiduciary calculates the value of the assets if that date is reasonably near the date on which the assets are distributed.

(c) If a fiduciary does not distribute under this section all the collected but undistributed net income to each beneficiary as of a distribution date, the fiduciary shall maintain records showing the interest of each beneficiary in the net income.

(d) If this section applies to income from an asset, a fiduciary may apply the rules in this section, to the extent the fiduciary considers it appropriate, to net gain or loss realized from the disposition of the asset after the decedent's death or an income interest's terminating event or the preceding distribution by the fiduciary.

*Legislative Note: If Sections 601(d) and (e) are deleted, use the subsection reference in the second set of brackets in subsection (a).*

## [ARTICLE] 7

### APPORTIONMENT AT BEGINNING AND END OF INCOME INTEREST

#### SECTION 701. WHEN RIGHT TO INCOME BEGINS AND ENDS.

(a) An income beneficiary is entitled to net income in accordance with the terms of a trust from the date an income interest begins. The income interest begins on the date specified in the terms of the trust or, if no date is specified, on the date an asset becomes subject to:

(1) the trust for the current income beneficiary; or

(2) a successive interest for a successor beneficiary.

(b) An asset becomes subject to a trust under subsection (a)(1):

(1) for an asset that is transferred to the trust during the settlor's life, on the date the asset is transferred;

(2) for an asset that becomes subject to the trust because of a decedent's death, on the date of the decedent's death, even if there is an intervening period of administration of the decedent's estate; or

(3) for an asset that is transferred to a fiduciary by a third party because of a decedent's death, on the date of the decedent's death.

(c) An asset becomes subject to a successive interest under subsection (a)(2) on the day



after the preceding income interest ends, as determined under subsection (d), even if there is an intervening period of administration to wind up the preceding income interest.

(d) An income interest ends on the day before an income beneficiary dies or another terminating event occurs or on the last day of a period during which there is no beneficiary to which a fiduciary may or must distribute income.

**SECTION 702. APPORTIONMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
WHEN DECEDENT DIES OR INCOME INTEREST BEGINS.**

(a) A fiduciary shall allocate an income receipt or disbursement, other than a receipt to which Section 601(b) applies, to principal if its due date occurs before the date on which:

- (1) for an estate, a decedent dies; or
- (2) for a trust or successive interest, an income interest begins.

(b) If the due date of a periodic income receipt or disbursement occurs on or after the date on which a decedent dies or an income interest begins, the fiduciary shall allocate the receipt or disbursement to income.

(c) If an income receipt or disbursement is not periodic or has no due date, the fiduciary shall treat it under this section as accruing from day to day. The fiduciary shall allocate to principal the portion of the receipt or disbursement accruing before the date on which a decedent dies or an income interest begins, and the balance to income.

(d) A receipt or disbursement is periodic under subsections (b) and (c) if:

- (1) it must be paid at regular intervals under an obligation to make payments; or
- (2) the payor customarily makes payments at regular intervals.

(e) An item of income or obligation is due under this section on the date the payor is required to make a payment. If a payment date is not stated, there is no due date.

(f) Distributions to shareholders or other owners from an entity to which Section 401 applies are deemed to be due:

(1) on the date fixed by or on behalf of the entity for determining the persons entitled to receive the distribution;

(2) if no date is fixed, on the date of the decision by or on behalf of the entity to make the distribution; or

(3) if no date is fixed and the fiduciary does not know the date of the decision by or on behalf of the entity to make the distribution, on the date the fiduciary learns of the decision.

**SECTION 703. APPORTIONMENT WHEN INCOME INTEREST ENDS.**

(a) In this section, “undistributed income” means net income received on or before the date on which an income interest ends. The term does not include an item of income or expense which is due or accrued or net income that has been added or is required to be added to principal under the terms of a trust.

(b) When a mandatory income interest of a beneficiary ends, the fiduciary shall pay the beneficiary’s share of the undistributed income that is not disposed of under the terms of a trust to:

(1) the beneficiary if the beneficiary survives the date the interest ends; or

(2) the beneficiary’s estate if paragraph (1) does not apply.

(c) If a beneficiary has an unqualified power to withdraw more than five percent of the value of a trust immediately before an income interest ends:

(1) the fiduciary shall allocate to principal the undistributed income from the portion of the trust which may be withdrawn; and

(2) subsection (b) applies only to the balance of the undistributed income.

(d) When a fiduciary's obligation to pay a fixed annuity or a fixed fraction of the value of assets ends, the fiduciary shall prorate the final payment as required to preserve an income tax, gift tax, estate tax, or other tax benefit.

## [ARTICLE] 8

### MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

**SECTION 801. UNIFORMITY OF APPLICATION AND CONSTRUCTION.** In applying and construing this uniform act, consideration must be given to the need to promote uniformity of the law with respect to its subject matter among states that enact it.

**SECTION 802. RELATION TO ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES IN GLOBAL AND NATIONAL COMMERCE ACT .** This [act] modifies, limits, or supersedes the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 7001 et seq., but does not modify, limit, or supersede Section 101(c) of that act, 15 U.S.C. Section 7001(c), or authorize electronic delivery of any of the notices described in Section 103(b) of that act, 15 U.S.C. Section 7003(b).

**SECTION 803. APPLICATION TO TRUST OR ESTATE.** This [act] applies to a trust or estate existing on or after [the effective date of this [act]], except as otherwise expressly provided in the terms of the trust or this [act].

**[SECTION 804. SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this [act] or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this [act] which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this [act] are severable.]

*Legislative Note: Include this section only if the state lacks a general severability statute or a decision by the highest court of the state stating a general rule of severability.*

**SECTION 805. REPEALS; CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

(a) . . . .

(b) . . . .

(c) . . . .

**SECTION 806. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This [act] takes effect . . . .