

gross values of such estates shall be the debts of the decedent and the expenses of the administration of such estates, and no deduction whatsoever shall be allowed for or on account of any taxes paid on such estate to the Government of the United States or to any other State or Territory.

APPROVED—The 4th day of May, A. D. 1921.

WM. C. SPROUL.

No. 166.

AN ACT

Relating to weak-minded persons and lunatics; providing that service of process may be made upon next of kin of such persons and lunatics in the discretion of the court, and that such next of kin may be added as parties in all court proceedings in which such weak-minded persons or lunatics are parties or concerned; and permitting blood relatives of such persons or lunatics to intervene as such in pending and future proceedings where weak-minded persons or lunatics are parties or concerned; and repealing all inconsistent acts or parts of acts.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That in all proceedings in any court of this Commonwealth in which a weak-minded person or lunatic is a party or concerned, when the court believes it to be in furtherance of justice and for the benefit of such weak-minded or lunatic party, the court may order service of process upon any or all of the next of kin of such lunatic or weak-minded person, and may prescribe the manner of such service, and the time in which such service shall be made, and when returnable to said court; and the court may make such persons parties to such litigation in addition to the guardian of such weak-minded person or committee of such lunatic.

Practice.
Litigation in which lunatics or weak-minded persons are concerned.

Process.

Parties.

Section 2. In all cases now pending or hereafter begun in any of the courts of this Commonwealth in which a weak-minded person or lunatic is a party, any blood relative of such weak-minded person or lunatic may intervene as a party in interest, with same force and effect as if originally served in such case.

Intervention of blood relatives

Section 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Repeal.

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