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Revocable Transfer on Death (TOD) Deed

Request for Public Comment

The California Law Revision Commission seeks public comment on its tentative recommendation proposing enactment of a revocable transfer on death (TOD) deed for real property. A revocable TOD deed enables a real property owner to transfer the property to a named beneficiary on the death of the owner without probate; the deed is revocable until that time.

The Law Revision Commission finds that other donative transfer devices available for real property in California do not serve the same function as the revocable TOD deed. Experience with the revocable TOD deed in other jurisdictions that have adopted it is generally favorable. After weighing the advantages and disadvantages of the revocable TOD deed, the Commission concludes that the revocable TOD deed would be a useful addition to California law.

The tentative recommendation is available from the California Law Revision Commission, 4000 Middlefield Road, Room D-1, Palo Alto, CA 94303-4739. The tentative recommendation is also available at the Commission's website (www.clrc.ca.gov) in the pull-down "Reports" menu.

The Commission often substantially revises its recommendations as a result of public comment. To receive timely consideration, comments should be submitted by **October 10, 2006**.
