STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

SENATE BILL 772 By: Daniels

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to charitable organizations; defining term; providing exceptions; requiring notice from charitable organization to Attorney General prior to certain actions; requiring Attorney General to consider certain factors when reviewing notice; authorizing Attorney General to bring action to enjoin transfer of assets upon certain determination; requiring certain action to be brought within specified time period; authorizing charitable organization to proceed with certain asset transfer after specified time period; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

- SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 869 of Title 18, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
- A. For purposes of this section, "charitable organization" shall have the meaning as defined in paragraph 2 of Section 552.2 of Title 18 of the Oklahoma Statutes and is incorporated or organized in this state, has its principal place of business in this state, or has assets located in this state with a fair market value that exceeds Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00). Charitable

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organization shall not include a church, hospital, religious corporation or society, or affiliate thereof.

- B. A charitable organization shall give written notice to the Attorney General at least sixty (60) days prior to any charter revocation, dissolution, or other action, voluntary or involuntary, that would result in the transfer of any assets or any interest in or on such assets of the charitable organization with a fair market value that exceeds Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to any other person or entity including any parent, subsidiary, or affiliate organization of the charitable organization.
- C. When reviewing a written notice received from a charitable organization pursuant to subsection B of this section, the Attorney General shall consider among other relevant factors as determined by the Attorney General:
- The amount and value of the assets or interests to be transferred;
 - 2. The person or entity to which such transfer would be made;
 - 3. The purpose of the transfer;
- 4. The source of the assets including whether the assets consist of donated funds or property;
- 5. The intent of donors, to the extent such intent can be determined;
- 6. The purpose and activities of the charitable organization;
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7. Any expression of support or lack of support by the governing board and members of the charitable organization.

D. If the Attorney General determines that a transfer of assets or interests of a charitable organization is inconsistent with the public interest, the intent of donors, or the purpose for which the charitable organization was organized or operated, the Attorney General may bring an action to enjoin the transfer of assets or interests or seek other relief as may be necessary to protect the assets of the charitable organization. Any such action shall be brought within sixty (60) days after receipt of notice of the transfer of assets or interest as required by subsection B of this section. If the Attorney General takes no action to enjoin the transfer of assets or interest within sixty (60) days of receipt of the notice, the charitable organization may proceed with the transfer of assets or interests as set forth in the notice as required by subsection B of this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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