PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL BISHOPS (EXCERPT)
Act 223 of 1913

458.271 Conveyances to bishops of Protestant Episcopal church in trust for certain purposes.

Sec. 1. All gifts, grants, deeds, wills and other conveyances wherein or whereby any lands, tenements or other property within this state, or any personal property the donor or grantor of which resided in this state at the time such conveyance or will became effective, have been given, granted, devised or bequeathed, or in any manner conveyed by any person or persons whatever, unto any person or persons by the name, style or title of bishop of any diocese of said church in this state or his successors, or to any of such bishops in his individual name without the expression or designation of any title, upon the trust expressed or implied to take hold and receive the same for the use and benefit of any congregation or society of the Protestant Episcopal church, or for the support, aid and maintenance of any school, hospital, church, parish house, burial ground, parsonage or rectory, or other religious or charitable purposes within this state, and all such gifts, grants, deeds, wills and other conveyances which may hereafter be so made, shall vest the legal title of, in and to said lands, tenements and personal property, in the said bishop and in his successor or successors forever, in trust for the uses and purposes for which said property is, or may be hereafter acquired, granted or devised: Provided, That nothing in this act shall be taken or construed to give, or grant to the said bishop or bishops, or his or their successor or successors, the right to hold real estate in trust for any society except for charitable, religious or educational purposes, as provided for in this act.