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SENATE BILL No. 2

DIGEST OF SB 2 (Updated January 11, 2011 11:46 am - DI 106)

Citations Affected: IC 31-11.

Synopsis: Authority to solemnize marriages. Authorizes the governor, the lieutenant governor, and members of the general assembly to solemnize marriages, and specifies that they may not accept money for solemnizing a marriage.

Effective: Upon passage.

Steele, Tallian, Taylor

January 5, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters.
January 12, 2011, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type.~~

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~*this style type*~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2010 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 31-11-6-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. **(a)** Marriages may be solemnized by any of the following:

(1) A member of the clergy of a religious organization (even if the cleric does not perform religious functions for an individual congregation), such as a minister of the gospel, a priest, a bishop, an archbishop, or a rabbi.

(2) A judge.

(3) A mayor, within the mayor's county.

(4) A clerk or a clerk-treasurer of a city or town, within a county in which the city or town is located.

(5) A clerk of the circuit court.

(6) The governor.

(7) The lieutenant governor.

(8) A member of the general assembly.

~~(6)~~ **(9)** The Friends Church, in accordance with the rules of the Friends Church.

~~(7)~~ **(10)** The German Baptists, in accordance with the rules of their society.

~~(8)~~ **(11)** The Bahai faith, in accordance with the rules of the Bahai faith.

~~(9)~~ **(12)** The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, in accordance with the rules of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

~~(10)~~ **(13)** An imam of a masjid (mosque), in accordance with the rules of the religion of Islam.

(b) The governor, the lieutenant governor, or a member of the general assembly may not accept any money for solemnizing a marriage.

SECTION 2. **An emergency is declared for this act.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 2, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is made to Senate Bill 2 as introduced.)

STEELE, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 2.

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