
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2424

State of Washington 58th Legislature 2004 Regular Session

By House Committee on Juvenile Justice & Family Law (originally sponsored by Representatives Hudgins, Chase and Upthegrove)

READ FIRST TIME 02/05/04.

1 AN ACT Relating to solemnizing marriages; and amending RCW
2 26.04.050 and 26.04.070.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 26.04.050 and 1987 c 291 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 The following named officers and persons, active or retired, are
7 hereby authorized to solemnize marriages, to wit: Justices of the
8 supreme court, judges of the court of appeals, judges of the superior
9 courts, superior court commissioners, judges of courts of limited
10 jurisdiction as defined in RCW 3.02.010, elected officials in the
11 executive or legislative branch of state, county, or municipal
12 government, and any regularly licensed or ordained minister or any
13 priest of any church or religious denomination(~~(, and judges of courts~~
14 ~~of limited jurisdiction as defined in RCW 3.02.010)~~).

15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 26.04.070 and Code 1881 s 2383 are each amended to
16 read as follows:

17 In the solemnization of marriage no particular form is required,
18 except that the parties thereto shall assent or declare in the presence

1 of the minister, priest, elected official, or judicial officer
2 solemnizing the same, and in the presence of at least two attending
3 witnesses, that they take each other to be husband and wife.

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