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House Bill 62 Summary of Changes Version A to Version B.A

Version A to Version B

On March 31, 2021, House Bill 62 was amended in the House Judiciary Committee to allow a legislator to accept travel and hospitality for the purpose of solemnizing a marriage.

Version B to Version B.A

On March 9, 2022, House Bill 62 was amended on the House Floor.

The first amendment added a person who "verifies" the marriage by communicating with both parties before or after the ceremony and signing the marriage certificate. The person verifying the marriage is not required to witness the ceremony. The only required person to attend the ceremony is the person solemnizing the marriage, who also signs the marriage certificate. The amendment also changed the marriage certificate statute to specify that the person solemnizing the marriage must put their contact information on the certificate forms.

The second amendment repealed the statute that allows a superior court judge to grant permission for a person who has reached the age of 14, but is under the age of 18, to marry.

No other substantiative changes have been made to House Bill 62.