



General Assembly

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Amendment

LCO No. 4769

Offered by:

REP. O'NEILL, 69th Dist.

To: Subst. House Bill No. 5830

File No. 461

Cal. No. 371

"An Act Concerning The Best Interest Of Children In Adoption Matters."

1 After line 266, add the following:

2 "Sec. 5. Section 46b-24 of the general statutes is repealed and the
3 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

4 (a) No [persons] man and woman may be joined in marriage in this
5 state until both have complied with the provisions of sections 46b-24 to
6 46b-27, inclusive, and 46b-29 to 46b-33, inclusive, and have been issued
7 a license by the registrar for the town in which the marriage is to be
8 celebrated, which bears the certification of the registrar that the
9 persons named therein have complied with the provisions of said
10 sections.

11 (b) Such license, when certified by the registrar, is sufficient
12 authority for any person authorized to perform a marriage ceremony
13 in this state to join such [persons] man and woman in marriage,
14 provided the ceremony is performed within the town where the
15 license was issued and within a period of not more than sixty-five days

16 after the date of application.

17 (c) Anyone who joins any [persons] man and woman in marriage
18 without having received such license from them shall be fined not
19 more than one hundred dollars.

20 (d) Marriage, so far as its validity in law is concerned, is a civil
21 contract between a man and a woman, to which the consent of the
22 parties, capable in law of contracting, is essential. Lawful marriage
23 may be contracted only between persons of the opposite sex and only
24 when a license has been obtained as provided by law and when the
25 marriage is solemnized by one authorized, so to do."