



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 6625

LCO No. 4882

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
(JUD)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE VALIDITY OF AN ANNULMENT OR
DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Except as provided in
2 sections 46b-70 to 46b-75, inclusive, of the general statutes, no
3 judgment, decree or order of annulment or dissolution of marriage in
4 this state or in any other jurisdiction shall be void for lack of personal
5 or subject matter jurisdiction, or procedural defect, and such judgment,
6 decree or order of annulment or dissolution of marriage shall be
7 recognized as valid for all purposes, if: (1) The defendant in such
8 annulment or dissolution of marriage matter relied in good faith on the
9 belief that the annulment or dissolution of marriage was valid, or (2)
10 the plaintiff in such annulment or dissolution of marriage matter relied
11 in good faith on such belief and provided notice of such belief to the
12 defendant by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, or in any
13 manner in which civil process may be served, and the defendant failed
14 to bring an action in this state to contest the validity of the annulment
15 or dissolution of marriage within ninety days of receipt of such notice.
16 Reliance by either party may be established by a sworn declaration.

17 Service of notice upon the defendant may be established by a sworn
18 declaration of receipt of notice by the defendant. The waiting period of
19 ninety days to determine if an action to contest the validity of the
20 annulment or dissolution of marriage will be brought may be waived
21 by sworn declaration of no intent to contest by the defendant.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To provide for the validation of an annulment or dissolution of marriage in this state or any other jurisdiction where there was a lack of personal or subject matter jurisdiction or procedural defect.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]