



General Assembly

January Session, 2015

**Raised Bill No. 7003**

LCO No. 5010



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:  
(JUD)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE VALIDITY OF MARRIAGES.**

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2015*) The public policy of the state  
2 of Connecticut shall be that all marriages are presumed valid and that  
3 no marriage shall be held to be invalid or bigamous, based on a  
4 jurisdictional defect in a prior divorce of one of the parties.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	New section
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To ensure the validity of a marriage entered into by persons previously divorced in another state or country.

*[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.]*