

CHAPTER 336

(Senate Bill 282)

AN ACT concerning

Family Law - Marriage Licenses

FOR the purpose of altering the period of time during which disclosure of an application for a marriage license is prohibited; altering the contents of a marriage license and certificate; establishing that a license is valid for six months from the effective date and time stated on the license; expanding a provision of law that authorizes the issuance of replacement licenses only in Anne Arundel County to include the other counties in the State; establishing a fee for a replacement license in the State; requiring that the fee for a replacement license be paid into the general fund of the State; altering the time period for obtaining a replacement license; authorizing a clerk to issue and deliver a marriage license at the time an application for a license is made ~~or to issue and mail a license to certain persons~~; authorizing a clerk to deliver a license in a certain manner; establishing that, except under certain circumstances, a marriage license is not effective until a certain time after the license is issued; repealing a provision of law that prohibited a clerk from delivering a license until a certain time after an application is made or a notarized application is received; authorizing a judge of the circuit court for the county in which the application for a license is made to sign a certain authorization under certain circumstances; repealing a provision of law concerning the destruction of marriage license applications under certain circumstances; altering the time period within which a marriage ceremony may be performed; prohibiting an individual from performing a marriage ceremony without a license that is effective; altering a certain period of time after which a clerk is required to attempt to make certain determinations; providing for the validity of marriage licenses issued before the effective date of this Act; making clarifying and stylistic changes; and generally relating to marriage licenses.

BY renumbering

Article - Family Law

Section 2-404(d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (l), (m), and (o), respectively

to be Section 2-404(e), (j), (l), (m), (d), (g), (i), (h), and (f), respectively

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BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Family Law

Section 2-402(f), 2-403, 2-404(b), 2-405(a), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), and (i), 2-406(b) and (e), and 2-409(c)

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