

SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 667

A bill to amend 1846 RS 83, entitled
"Of marriage and the solemnization thereof,"
by amending section 7 (MCL 551.7), as amended by 2006 PA 613.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 7. (1) Marriages may be solemnized by any of the
2 following:

3 (a) A judge of the district court, in the district in which
4 the judge is serving.

5 (b) A district court magistrate, in the district in which the
6 magistrate serves.

7 (c) A municipal judge, in the city in which the judge is
8 serving or in a township over which a municipal court has
9 jurisdiction ~~according to~~ **UNDER** section 9928 of the revised
10 judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.9928.

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1 (d) A judge of probate, in the county or probate court
2 district in which the judge is serving.

3 (e) A judge of a federal court.

4 (f) A mayor of a city, anywhere in a county in which that city
5 is located.

6 (g) ~~The~~ A county clerk in the county in which the clerk
7 serves, or ~~in~~ **ANOTHER COUNTY WITH THE WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION OF**
8 **THE CLERK OF THE OTHER COUNTY.**

9 (H) [FOR] a county having more than 2,000,000 inhabitants, an
10 employee of the COUNTY clerk's office designated by the county
11 clerk[, in the county in which the clerk serves.]

12 (I) ~~(h)~~ A minister of the gospel or cleric or religious
13 practitioner, anywhere in the state, if the minister or cleric or
14 religious practitioner is ordained or authorized to solemnize
15 marriages according to the usages of the denomination.

16 (J) ~~(i)~~ A minister of the gospel or cleric or religious
17 practitioner, anywhere in the state, if the minister or cleric or
18 religious practitioner is not a resident of this state but is
19 authorized to solemnize marriages under the laws of the state in
20 which the minister or cleric or religious practitioner resides.

21 (2) A person authorized by this act to solemnize a marriage
22 shall keep proper records and make returns as required by section 4
23 of 1887 PA 128, MCL 551.104.

24 (3) If a mayor of a city solemnizes a marriage, the mayor
25 shall charge and collect a fee to be determined by the council of
26 that city, which shall be paid to the city treasurer and deposited
27 in the general fund of the city at the end of the month.

1 (4) If the county clerk or, in a county having more than
2 2,000,000 inhabitants, an employee of the clerk's office designated
3 by the county clerk solemnizes a marriage, the county clerk shall
4 charge and collect a fee to be determined by the commissioners of
5 ~~that~~**THE** county ~~,~~**IN** which **THE CLERK SERVES. THE FEE** shall be paid
6 to the ~~county~~ treasurer **FOR THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE CLERK SERVES**
7 and deposited in the general fund of ~~the~~**THAT** county at the end of
8 the month.