

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2191

By: Representative Hobbs

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE A COUNTY CLERK TO PROVIDE AN INFORMATIONAL BROCHURE CONCERNING STRENGTHENING A MARRIAGE TO A PERSON OR COUPLE WHO APPLIES FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE; TO AUTHORIZE THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS TO ACCEPT PRIVATE FUNDS FOR THE DESIGN, PRINTING, AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE INFORMATIONAL BROCHURE; TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS FOR THE DESIGN, PRINT, AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE INFORMATIONAL BROCHURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO REQUIRE A COUNTY CLERK TO PROVIDE AN INFORMATIONAL BROCHURE CONCERNING STRENGTHENING A MARRIAGE; TO ACCEPT PRIVATE FUNDS FOR THE INFORMATIONAL BROCHURE; TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS FOR THE INFORMATIONAL BROCHURE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-11-203, concerning issuance of marriage licenses by clerks, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(d)(1) In addition to the certificate of marriage issued under subsection (a) of this section, the county clerk shall provide an informational brochure addressing how to strengthen a marriage to applicants, if an informational brochure is made available by the Administrative Office



of the Courts.

(2)(A) The office is authorized to receive private funds to design, print, and distribute the informational brochure required under subdivision (d)(1) of this section to all county clerks.

(B) The office shall design, print, and distribute the informational brochure required under subdivision (d)(1) of this section if the office receives sufficient private funding.

(3) Public funds shall not be used to design, print, or distribute the informational brochure required under subdivision (d)(1) of this section.

SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. The document attached hereto entitled "Strengthening Your Marriage" is an example of the type of informational brochure that may be provided to applicants receiving a marriage license. The document, "Strengthening Your Marriage", shall be filed in the journals of the House and Senate.