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AN ACT

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Amending the act of August 22, 1953 (P.L.1344, No.383), entitled "An act relating to marriage; and amending, revising, consolidating and changing the law relating thereto," repealing certain provisions relating to issuance of marriage licenses.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Clauses (e) and (f) of section 5, act of August 22, 1953 (P.L.1344, No.383) known as "The Marriage Law," clause (e) amended June 21, 1957 (P.L.378, No.201), are amended to read:

Section 5. Restrictions on the Issue of Marriage License.—No license to marry shall be issued by any clerk of the orphans' court:

[(e) If either of the applicants is or has been, within five years preceding the time of the application, an inmate of an institution for weakminded, insane, or persons of unsound mind, unless a judge of the orphans' court shall decide that it is for the best interest of such applicant and the general public to issue the license, and shall authorize the clerk of the orphans' court to issue the license.

(f) If either of the applicants for a license is or has been, within five years preceding the time of the application, an inmate of an institution for indigent persons, unless a judge of the orphans' court shall determine that the applicant is no longer an indigent person and, if a male, that he is able to support a family, and shall authorize the clerk of the orphans' court to issue the license.]

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APPROVED-The 7th day of October, A. D. 1976.

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