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State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 3573

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Civil Law and Data Practices

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to civil marriage; allowing legislators to solemnize civil marriages;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 517.04.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 517.04, is amended to read:

1.6 **517.04 PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM CIVIL MARRIAGES.**

1.7 Civil marriages may be solemnized throughout the state by an individual who has
1.8 attained the age of 21 years and is a judge of a court of record, a retired judge of a court of
1.9 record, a court administrator, a retired court administrator with the approval of the chief
1.10 judge of the judicial district, a former court commissioner who is employed by the court
1.11 system or is acting pursuant to an order of the chief judge of the commissioner's judicial
1.12 district, a current member of the legislature who has subscribed to the oath of office, the
1.13 residential school superintendent of the Minnesota State Academy for the Deaf and the
1.14 Minnesota State Academy for the Blind, a licensed or ordained minister of any religious
1.15 denomination, or by any mode recognized in section 517.18. For purposes of this section,
1.16 a court of record includes the Office of Administrative Hearings under section 14.48.