THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2269 Session of 2024

INTRODUCED BY KENYATTA, BENHAM, FLICK, BURGOS, MAYES, STURLA, GUENST, KINSEY, VENKAT, HOHENSTEIN, SCHLOSSBERG, BOROWSKI, McNEILL, MALAGARI, SANCHEZ, BULLOCK, ISAACSON, HANBIDGE, BRENNAN, KHAN, T. DAVIS, RABB, CIRESI, HILL-EVANS, SAPPEY, PROBST, WAXMAN, MADDEN, WARREN, DELLOSO, SCHWEYER, PARKER, CERRATO, O'MARA, FLEMING, CEPEDA-FREYTIZ, INNAMORATO, GREEN, OTTEN, KINKEAD AND PIELLI, MAY 6, 2024

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, JUNE 12, 2024

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania
2   Consolidated Statutes, IN PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS RELATING TO **<--**
3   MARRIAGE, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; AND, in
4   miscellaneous provisions relating to marriage, repealing
5   provisions relating to marriage between persons of the same
6   sex.

7   The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

8 hereby enacts as follows:

9   ~~Section 1. Section 1704 of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania~~   **<--**

10 ~~Consolidated Statutes is repealed:~~

11   SECTION 1. THE DEFINITION OF "MARRIAGE" IN SECTION 1102 OF **<--**

12 TITLE 23 OF THE PENNSYLVANIA CONSOLIDATED STATUTES IS AMENDED TO

13 READ:

14 § 1102. DEFINITIONS.

15   THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES WHEN USED IN THIS PART SHALL

16 HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS SECTION UNLESS THE

17 CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE:

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2   "MARRIAGE."   [A CIVIL CONTRACT BY WHICH ONE MAN AND ONE WOMAN

3   TAKE EACH OTHER FOR HUSBAND AND WIFE.] A CIVIL CONTRACT BETWEEN

4   TWO INDIVIDUALS.

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6   SECTION 2. SECTION 1704 OF TITLE 23 IS REPEALED:

7   [§ 1704. Marriage between persons of the same sex.

8   It is hereby declared to be the strong and longstanding

9   public policy of this Commonwealth that marriage shall be

10   between one man and one woman. A marriage between persons of the

11   same sex which was entered into in another state or foreign

12   jurisdiction, even if valid where entered into, shall be void in

13   this Commonwealth.]

14   Section 2 3. This act shall take effect immediately.   <--