

By Representative Byrd

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to marriage; providing that  
3           same-sex marriages entered into in other  
4           jurisdictions are not recognized in this state;  
5           prohibiting the state and its agencies and  
6           subdivisions from giving effect to specified  
7           public acts, records, or proceedings respecting  
8           such relationships or claims arising from such  
9           relationships; providing an effective date.

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11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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13           Section 1. (1) Marriages between persons of the same  
14 sex entered into in other jurisdictions, or relationships  
15 between persons of the same sex which are treated as marriages  
16 in other jurisdictions, are not recognized for any purpose in  
17 this state.

18           (2) The state, its agencies, and its political  
19 subdivisions may not give effect to any public act, record, or  
20 judicial proceeding of any other state, territory, possession,  
21 or tribe of the United States respecting either a marriage or  
22 relationship not recognized under subsection (1) or a claim  
23 arising from such a marriage or relationship.

24           (3) For purposes of interpreting any state statute or  
25 rule, the term "marriage" means only a legal union between one  
26 man and one woman as husband and wife, and the term "spouse"  
27 applies only to a member of such a union.

28           Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
29 law.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Provides that marriages between persons of the same sex are not recognized in this state. Prohibits the state, its agencies, and its political subdivisions from giving effect to public acts, records, or proceedings of other jurisdictions respecting such a relationship or a claim arising from such a relationship.