

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Joyner

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to marriage of minors; amending s.  
3       741.0405, F.S.; deleting provisions that allow the  
4       issuance of marriage licenses to minors under 16 years  
5       of age in certain circumstances; conforming provisions  
6       to changes made by the act; providing an effective  
7       date.

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

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11       Section 1. Subsections (2), (3), and (4) of section  
12       741.0405, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

13       741.0405 When marriage license may be issued to persons  
14       under 18 years.—

15       (2) The county court judge of any county in the state may,  
16       in the exercise of his or her discretion, issue a license to  
17       marry to a ~~any~~ male or female under the age of 18 years, but at  
18       least 16 years of age, upon application of both parties sworn  
19       under oath that they are the parents of a child.

20       (3) When the fact of pregnancy is verified by the written  
21       statement of a licensed physician, the county court judge of any  
22       county in the state may, in his or her discretion, issue a  
23       license to marry:

24       (a) To a ~~any~~ male or female under the age of 18 years, but  
25       at least 16 years of age, upon application of both parties sworn  
26       under oath that they are the expectant parents of a child; or

27       (b) To a ~~any~~ female under the age of 18 years, but at least  
28       16 years of age, and male over the age of 18 years upon the  
29       female's application sworn under oath that she is an expectant

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30 parent.

31 (4) No license to marry shall be granted to a ~~any~~ person  
32 under the age of 16 years, with or without the consent of the  
33 parents, ~~except as provided in subsections (2) and (3).~~

34 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.