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1 AN ACT *to amend* 765.09 (3) (b) of the statutes; **relating to:** requiring every
2 applicant for a marriage license to present a certified copy of a birth certificate.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

3 SECTION 1. 765.09 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
4 765.09 (3) (b) Each applicant for a marriage license ~~under 30 years of age~~ shall
5 exhibit to the clerk a certified copy of a birth certificate, and each applicant shall
6 submit a copy of any judgment or death certificate affecting the applicant's marital
7 status. If any applicable birth certificate, death certificate or judgment is
8 unobtainable, other satisfactory documentary proof of the requisite facts therein
9 may be presented in lieu of the birth certificate, death certificate or judgment.
10 Whenever the clerk is not satisfied with the documentary proof presented, he or she

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1 shall submit the presented proof to a judge of a court of record in the county of
2 application for an opinion as to its sufficiency.

3 **SECTION 2. Initial applicability.**

4 (1) This act first applies to marriage licenses for which application is made on
5 the effective date of this subsection.

6 (END)