

2007 Assembly Bill 709

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## 2007 WISCONSIN ACT 214

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

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

**SECTION 1.** 765.09 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

765.09 (3) (b) Each applicant for a marriage license ~~under 30 years of age~~ shall exhibit to the clerk a certified copy of a birth certificate, and each applicant shall submit a copy of any judgment or death certificate affecting the applicant's marital status. If any applicable birth certificate, death certificate or judgment is unobtainable, other

satisfactory documentary proof of the requisite facts therein may be presented in lieu of the birth certificate, death certificate or judgment. Whenever the clerk is not satisfied with the documentary proof presented, he or she shall submit the presented proof to a judge of a court of record in the county of application for an opinion as to its sufficiency.

**SECTION 2. Initial applicability.**

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

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\* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 2005-06 : Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated" by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].