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AN ACT to renumber 48.82 (intro.); to renumber and amend 48.82 (1) and (2); to amend 48.82 (3); and to create 48.82 (4) of the statutes, relating to religion of adoptive parents.

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

SECTION 1. 48.82 (intro.) of the statutes is renumbered 48.82 (1) (intro.).

SECTION 2. 48.82 (1) and (2) of the statutes are renumbered 48.82 (1) (a) and (b) and amended to read:

48.82 (1) (a) A husband and wife jointly, or either the husband or wife if the other spouse is a parent of the minor;

(b) An unmarried adult;

SECTION 3. 48.82 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

48.82 (3) When practicable and if requested by the birth parent, the petitioners adoptive parents shall be of the same religious faith as the birth parents of the person to be adopted. ~~No person shall be denied the benefits of this chapter because of a religious belief in the use of spiritual means of prayer for healing.~~

SECTION 4. 48.82 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

48.82 (4) No person may be denied the benefits of this subchapter because of a religious belief in the use of spiritual means through prayer for healing.
