

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2003 and 2004

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

750 ILCS 50/2

from Ch. 40, par. 1502

Amends the Adoption Act. Makes technical changes in a Section concerning who may adopt a child.

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1 AN ACT concerning adoption.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Adoption Act is amended by changing Section
- 5 2 as follows:
- 6 (750 ILCS 50/2) (from Ch. 40, par. 1502)
- 7 Sec. 2. Who may adopt a child.
- 8 A. Any of the following persons, who is under no legal
- 9 disability (except the minority specified in sub-paragraph (b)
- and who has resided in $\underline{\text{this}}$ the State $\underline{\text{of Illinois}}$ continuously
- 11 for a period of at least 6 months immediately preceding the
- 12 commencement of an adoption proceeding, or any member of the
- 13 armed forces of the United States who has been domiciled in
- $\underline{\text{this}}$ $\underline{\text{the}}$ State $\underline{\text{of Illinois}}$ for 90 days, may institute such
- 15 proceeding:
- 16 (a) A reputable person of legal age and of either sex,
- 17 provided that if such person is married and has not been living
- 18 separate and apart from his or her spouse for 12 months or
- 19 longer, his or her spouse shall be a party to the adoption
- 20 proceeding, including a husband or wife desiring to adopt a
- 21 child of the other spouse, in all of which cases the adoption
- 22 shall be by both spouses jointly;
- 23 (b) A minor, by leave of court upon good cause shown.
- B. The residence requirement specified in paragraph A of
- 25 this Section shall not apply to an adoption of a related child
- or to an adoption of a child placed by an agency.
- 27 (Source: P.A. 90-608, eff. 6-30-98.)