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A Bill for an Act Relating to Marriage Officiants.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 323-11, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, is amended to read as follows:

"It shall not be lawful for any person to perform the marriage ceremony within the State without first obtaining from the department of health a license to solemnize marriages."

SECTION 2. Section 323-12, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, is amended to read as follows:

"A license to solemnize marriages may be issued to, and the marriage rite may be performed and solemnized by any minister, priest, or officer of any religious denomination or society who has been ordained or is authorized to solemnize marriages according to the usages of such denomination or society, or any justice or judge or magistrate, active or retired, of a state or federal court in the State, upon presentation to him of a license to marry, as prescribed by this chapter. He may receive the price stipulated by the parties or the gratification tendered to him."

SECTION 3. Chapter 323, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately numbered and to read as follows:

"Section 323- Rules and Regulations. The director of health may make such rules and regulations as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of this chapter."

SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material or the underscoring.*

SECTION 5. Notwithstanding the adoption of Act 16, Session Laws of Hawaii 1968, this Act shall have full force according to its intent. Upon the taking effect of this Act or the Hawaii Revised Statutes, whichever occurs later, this Act shall be construed to be in amendment of or in addition to the Hawaii Revised Statutes, all references in this Act being construed to refer to the applicable or corresponding provisions of the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

The revisor of statutes may reword and renumber the references in this Act and make such other formal or verbal changes as may be necessary to con-* Edited accordingly form with the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved May 13, 1969.)