

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0205

Marriage license-confidential treatment.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Simpson

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to marriage licenses; providing that
2 applications and licenses recorded with the county clerk
3 shall be kept confidential; specifying information
4 available to the public; providing access to specified
5 persons; and providing for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 20-1-103(b) is amended to read:

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11 **20-1-103. License; required.**

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13 (b) Application for a marriage license shall be made
14 by one (1) of the parties to the marriage before the
15 license is issued. Upon receipt of an application, the
16 county clerk shall ascertain by the testimony of a
17 competent witness and the applicant, the names, the social

1 security numbers of the parties who have valid social
2 security numbers, residences and ages of the parties and
3 whether there is any legal impediment to the parties
4 entering into the marriage contract according to the laws
5 of the state of their residence. The clerk shall enter the
6 facts ascertained from the application and license in a
7 book kept by him for that purpose, ~~except for the~~ and these
8 facts shall be kept confidential except for names,
9 residences and ages of the parties. The application or a
10 copy of the license shall be available only to the person
11 applying for the license, that person's authorized agent,
12 that person's dependents, a peace officer or by court
13 order. Social security numbers ~~which~~ shall be provided to
14 the state office of vital records and shall not be made a
15 part of the county public record. ~~He~~ The clerk may issue a
16 license to marry and shall date the license on the date of
17 issuance except as otherwise provided.

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19 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2004.

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