

Senate Bill No. 991

CHAPTER 63

An act to amend Section 400.1 of the Family Code, relating to marriage.

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SB 991, Runner. Marriage: solemnization.

Existing law provides that a marriage may be solemnized by authorized persons of any religious denomination, by specified legislators, constitutional officers, and California Members of Congress, while those persons are currently holding that office, by specified justices, judges, and magistrates, both current and retired, by the county clerk, and by an elected city mayor, as specified. Existing law requires an elected mayor to obtain and review from the county clerk all available instructions for marriage solemnization before first solemnizing a marriage.

This bill would additionally authorize a county supervisor to solemnize a marriage and would also impose the above-described requirements for the elected mayor on the county supervisor.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 400.1 of the Family Code is amended to read:

400.1. In addition to the persons specified in Section 400, marriage may also be solemnized by a county supervisor or a mayor of a city elected in accordance with Article 3 (commencing with Section 34900) of Chapter 4 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 4 of the Government Code, while that person holds office. The county supervisor or mayor shall obtain and review from the county clerk all available instructions for marriage solemnization before the county supervisor or mayor first solemnizes a marriage.

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