

**SENATE
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NINETY-THIRD SESSION**

S.F. No. 3142

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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Judiciary and Public Safety

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to civil marriage; allowing legislators to solemnize civil marriage; amending
1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 517.04.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 517.04, is amended to read:

1.6 **517.04 PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM CIVIL MARRIAGES.**

1.7 Civil marriages may be solemnized throughout the state by an individual who has attained
1.8 the age of 21 years and is a judge of a court of record, a retired judge of a court of record,
1.9 a court administrator, a retired court administrator with the approval of the chief judge of
1.10 the judicial district, a former court commissioner who is employed by the court system or
1.11 is acting pursuant to an order of the chief judge of the commissioner's judicial district, a
1.12 current member of the legislature who has subscribed to the oath of office, the residential
1.13 school superintendent of the Minnesota State Academy for the Deaf and the Minnesota
1.14 State Academy for the Blind, a licensed or ordained minister of any religious denomination,
1.15 or by any mode recognized in section 517.18. For purposes of this section, a court of record
1.16 includes the Office of Administrative Hearings under section 14.48.