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Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors:	Rep. Brown; Parenti	Bill Status:	House State Affairs
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Bill Topic: VIRTUAL MARRIAGE OR CIVIL UNION LICENSE PROCEDURES

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill indefinitely allows the use virtual methods to fulfil the requirement of appearing in-person for a prospective marriage or civil union. The bill minimally increases state and local workload beginning in FY 2023-24.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

Until December 31, 2023, current law authorizes county clerks and recorders to allow individuals to use virtual methods to satisfy the requirement of appearing in-person for a marriage or civil union. Clerks and recorders who use this authority are required to complete a training developed by the Human Trafficking Council. The bill extends this authority indefinitely and requires the training to be completed every two years.

State Expenditures

Workload will minimally increase for the Department of Public Safety to continue to provide trainings to county clerks and recorders beginning in FY 2023-24. This workload can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Local Government

Beginning in FY 2023-24, workload will minimally increase for county clerk and recorder's offices to complete the required training and update their records to indicate compliance on a continuous basis.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties	County Clerks	Human Services
Information Technology	Public Health and Environment	Public Safety
Sheriffs		