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Marriage Amendments

2026 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Todd Weiler

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LONG TITLE

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General Description:

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This bill modifies provisions relating to the validity of a marriage.

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Highlighted Provisions:

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This bill:

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▶ provides that a marriage that is not properly solemnized is invalid unless a court or administrative order legally recognized the marriage before May 6, 2026.

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Money Appropriated in this Bill:

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None

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Other Special Clauses:

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None

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Utah Code Sections Affected:

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REPEALS AND REENACTS:

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81-2-408, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 366

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

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Section 1. Section **81-2-408** is repealed and reenacted to read:

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81-2-408 . Validity of marriage not solemnized or solemnized before an unauthorized individual.

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A marriage that is not solemnized in accordance with this chapter is invalid unless a court or administrative order legally recognized the marriage before May 6, 2026.

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Section 2. **Effective Date.**

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This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.