

H.B. 290

DIVORCE ORIENTATION CLASS

Representative **Daniel McCay** proposes the following amendments:

1. *Page 1, Lines 12 through 19:*

12 This bill:

* * * *Some lines not shown* * * *

13 ▶ requires a prospective petitioner for divorce to complete the mandatory divorce
14 orientation course before filing a petition for divorce;

15 ▶ requires the respondent to complete the mandatory divorce orientation course within
16 30 days of receipt of a petition for divorce;

17 ▶ eliminates the waiver of the 90-day waiting requirement for parties who complete
18 the mandatory divorce education course;

▶ waives the requirement for a petitioner or respondent who has previously taken the class; and

19 ▶ makes technical corrections.

2. *Page 2, Lines 42 through 44:*

42 (3) The respondent shall [~~attend~~] complete the divorce orientation course [~~no more~~
43 ~~than~~] within 30 days [~~after~~] of being served with a petition for divorce.

(4) A petitioner or respondent who has taken the class is not required to take the class again unless more than 18 months has passed since completion of the class. The petitioner or respondent shall provide documentation showing class completion at the time of filing.

44 {~~(4)~~} (5) The clerk of the court shall provide notice to a petitioner of the requirement for the

Renumber the remaining subsections accordingly