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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 835

5 By: Senator Irvin  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF  
9 MARRIAGE LICENSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

12 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE  
13 OF MARRIAGE LICENSES.  
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-11-202(a), concerning the form of a  
20 marriage license, is amended to read as follows:

21 (a) The license may be in the following form:

22 "State of Arkansas,

23 County of . . . . .

24 To any person authorized by law to solemnize marriage:

25 You are hereby commanded to solemnize the rites and publish the  
26 banns of matrimony between A. B., age . . . . . years, and

27 D. C., age . . . . . years, according to law, and officially  
28 sign and return this license to the parties herein named.

29 ~~Witness my hand and~~ Issued with official seal, this . . . . .  
30 day of . . . . , 20. . . . .

31 [L. S.]

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33 ~~A. B., County Clerk~~

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35 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 9-11-203 is amended to add an additional  
36 subsection to read as follows:



1           (d) It is not a requirement that a marriage license be signed by a  
2           county clerk for the license to be effective.

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SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 9-11-220(c), concerning the duty of the clerk and the issuance of the license, is amended to read as follows:

(c) The certificate shall be ~~signed officially by the clerk and~~ sealed with the county seal.

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