



Substitute House Bill No. 6918

Public Act No. 25-72

AN ACT PROHIBITING FIRST COUSIN MARRIAGE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2025*) On and after October 1, 2025, no person may knowingly marry such person's first cousin.

Sec. 2. Section 46b-20a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2025*):

A person is eligible to marry if such person is:

(1) Not a party to another marriage, or a relationship that provides substantially the same rights, benefits and responsibilities as a marriage, entered into in this state or another state or jurisdiction, unless the parties to the marriage will be the same as the parties to such other relationship;

(2) At least eighteen years of age;

(3) Except as provided in section 46b-29, not under the supervision or control of a conservator; and

(4) Not prohibited from entering into a marriage pursuant to section 46b-21 or section 1 of this act.

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Governor's Action:
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