

CHAPTER 159
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SENATE BILL **89**

AN ACT relative to accommodation for medical reasons in issuing marriage licenses.

SPONSORS: Sen. Birdsell, Dist 19

COMMITTEE: Election Law and Municipal Affairs

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill allows a city or town clerk to accommodate parties unable to appear in person for a marriage license due to documented medical reasons.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Three

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

- 1 159:1 Marriage Registration Forms and Procedures; Marriage License Registration. Amend RSA 5-
- 2 C:42, V-a to read as follows:
- 3 V-a. If either party is unable to appear in person for ***documented*** medical reasons, the city or
- 4 town clerk [shall] ***may*** accommodate the parties by meeting in person with the parties at such other
- 5 location within the city or town as may be convenient.

159:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: July 28, 2023
Effective Date: September 26, 2023