

SENATE BILL NO. 1166

December 03, 2024, Introduced by Senator KLINEFELT and referred to the Committee on Local Government.

A bill to amend 1846 RS 83, entitled
"Of marriage and the solemnization thereof,"
by amending section 16 (MCL 551.16), as amended by 2006 PA 419.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 16. A marriage solemnized before an individual professing
2 ~~to be a district judge, common pleas court judge, district court~~
3 ~~magistrate, municipal judge, judge of probate, judge of a federal~~
4 ~~court, mayor, the county clerk or, in a county having more than~~
5 ~~2,000,000 inhabitants, an employee of the county clerk designated~~
6 ~~by the clerk to solemnize marriages, or a minister of the gospel or~~

1 ~~cleric or religious practitioner shall~~ **who is authorized to**
2 **solemnize a marriage under section 7 is** not be ~~considered or~~
3 ~~adjudged to be void, nor shall~~ **and** the validity of the marriage ~~be~~
4 **is not** affected, on account of a ~~want~~ **lack** of jurisdiction or
5 authority by that individual if the marriage was consummated with a
6 full belief on the part of the individuals married, or either of
7 them, that they were lawfully joined in marriage.

8 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
9 unless Senate Bill No. 1044 of the 102nd Legislature is enacted
10 into law.