

# HB1804



## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB1804

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### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

750 ILCS 50/2

from Ch. 40, par. 1502

Amends the Adoption Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning who may adopt a child.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning civil law.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Adoption Act is amended by changing Section  
5 2 as follows:

6 (750 ILCS 50/2) (from Ch. 40, par. 1502)

7 Sec. 2. Who may adopt a child.

8 A. Any of the ~~the~~ following persons, who is under no legal  
9 disability (except the minority specified in sub-paragraph  
10 (b)) and who has resided in the State of Illinois continuously  
11 for a period of at least 6 months immediately preceding the  
12 commencement of an adoption proceeding, or any member of the  
13 armed forces of the United States who has been domiciled in the  
14 State of Illinois for 90 days, may institute such proceeding:

15 (a) A reputable person of legal age and of either sex,  
16 provided that if such person is married and has not been  
17 living separate and apart from his or her spouse for 12  
18 months or longer, his or her spouse shall be a party to the  
19 adoption proceeding, including a husband or wife desiring  
20 to adopt a child of the other spouse, in all of which cases  
21 the adoption shall be by both spouses jointly;

22 (b) A minor, by leave of court upon good cause shown.

23 B. The residence requirement specified in paragraph A of

1 this Section shall not apply to:

2 (a) an adoption of a related child; or

3 (b) an adoption of a child placed by an agency.

4 (Source: P.A. 98-804, eff. 1-1-15.)