



93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

750 ILCS 50/2

from Ch. 40, par. 1502

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

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1 AN ACT concerning adoption.

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 following persons, who is under no legal
9 disability (except the minority specified in sub-paragraph (b)
10 and who has resided in this ~~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
14 this ~~the~~ State ~~of Illinois~~ for 90 days, may institute such
15 proceeding:

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

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

24 B. The residence requirement specified in paragraph A of
25 this Section shall not apply to an adoption of a related child
26 or to an adoption of a child placed by an agency.

27 (Source: P.A. 90-608, eff. 6-30-98.)