

## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2011 and 2012 HB4120

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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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1 AN ACT concerning civil law.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 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 living
- separate and apart from his or her spouse for 12 months or
- longer, his or her spouse shall be a party to the adoption
- 19 proceeding, including a husband or wife desiring to adopt a
- 20 child of the other spouse, in all of which cases the adoption
- 21 shall be by both spouses jointly;
- 22 (b) A minor, by leave of court upon good cause shown.
- B. The residence requirement specified in paragraph A of

- 1 this Section shall not apply to an adoption of a related child
- or to an adoption of a child placed by an agency.
- 3 (Source: P.A. 96-328, eff. 8-11-09.)