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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill provides funding for the displaced homemaker program through a \$20 increase in the fee for marriage licenses. This program provides services to individuals who were previously financially supported by another person in the home who no longer provides support due to death, divorce, or disability.

Section

- 1** **Term of license; fee; premarital education.** Increases the fee for a marriage license by \$20, from \$70 to \$90 for individuals who have not completed premarital counseling and from \$20 to \$40 for individuals who have done so.
- 2** **Disposition of license fee.** Provides for \$20 of each marriage license to be placed in a special fund devoted to providing funding for the displaced homemaker program.
- 3** **Effective date.** The first two sections are effective July 1, 2003.