

HOUSE BILL No. 2330

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1 AN ACT concerning domestic relations; relating to marriage licenses;
2 amending K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 23-2510 and repealing the existing
3 section.
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5 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

6 Section 1. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 23-2510 is hereby amended to read as
7 follows: 23-2510. (a) *Except as provided by subsection (b)*, the judge or
8 clerk of the district court shall collect from the applicant for a marriage
9 license a fee of \$59.

10 (b) (1) *The judge or clerk of the district court shall collect from the*
11 *applicant for a marriage license a fee of \$23.50 if such applicant has*
12 *successfully completed a premarital counseling program meeting the*
13 *conditions specified by this subsection.*

14 (2) *A premarital counseling program shall be conducted by one of the*
15 *following premarital counseling program providers:*

16 (A) *A clergyman or religious authority of any religious denomination*
17 *or society, licensed marriage and family therapist, licensed clinical*
18 *marriage and family therapist, licensed professional counselor or licensed*
19 *clinical professional counselor; or*

20 (B) *a faith-based community program approved by the secretary for*
21 *children and families.*

22 (3) *Upon successful completion of the premarital counseling*
23 *program, the premarital counseling provider under subsection (b)(2) shall*
24 *submit to the applicant for a marriage license a certificate of premarital*
25 *counseling program completion, as approved by the secretary for children*
26 *and families. A minimum of eight hours of premarital counseling shall be*
27 *necessary for successful completion of a premarital counseling program*
28 *under this subsection.*

29 (4) *The secretary for children and families shall provide each judicial*
30 *district with an electronic list of all eligible premarital counseling*
31 *program providers and make such list publicly available on the official*
32 *website of the Kansas department for children and families.*

33 (c) The clerk of the court shall remit all fees prescribed by this
34 section to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A.

1 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance,
2 the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury. Of
3 each remittance, the state treasurer shall credit 38.98% to the protection
4 from abuse fund, 15.19% to the family and children trust account of the
5 family and children investment fund created by K.S.A. 38-1808, and
6 amendments thereto, 16.95% to the crime victims assistance fund created
7 by K.S.A. 74-7334, and amendments thereto, 15.25% to the judicial
8 branch nonjudicial salary adjustment fund created by K.S.A. 2012 Supp.
9 20-1a15, and amendments thereto, and the remainder to the state general
10 fund.

11 (c) Except as provided further, the marriage license fee established in
12 this section shall be the only fee collected or moneys in the nature of a fee
13 collected for a marriage license. Such fee shall only be established by an
14 act of the legislature and no other authority is established by law or
15 otherwise to collect a fee. On and after the effective date of this act
16 through June 30, 2013, the supreme court may impose an additional
17 charge, not to exceed \$26.50 per marriage license fee, to fund the costs of
18 non-judicial personnel.

19 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 23-2510 is hereby repealed.

20 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
21 publication in the statute book.

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