

1-1 By: Springer, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Hughes) H.B. No. 555
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 5, 2017;
 1-3 May 9, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on State
 1-4 Affairs; May 18, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 18, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-12	X			
1-13	X			
1-14	X			
1-15	X			
1-16	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to an additional fee for issuing a marriage license to
 1-20 applicants who are not residents of this state.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 118.011(b), Local Government Code, as
 1-23 effective until September 1, 2019, is amended to read as follows:

1-24 (b) The county clerk may set and collect the following fee
 1-25 from any person:

1-26 (1) Returned Check (Sec. 118.0215) not
 1-27 less than \$15 or more than \$30

1-28 (2) Records Management and Preservation Fee
 1-29 (Sec. 118.0216) not more
 1-30 than \$10

1-31 (3) Mental Health Background Check for License to
 1-32 Carry a Handgun (Sec. 118.0217) not more than \$2

1-33 (4) Marriage License for Out-of-State Applicants
 1-34 (Sec. 118.018) \$100

1-35 SECTION 2. Section 118.011(b), Local Government Code, as
 1-36 effective September 1, 2019, is amended to read as follows:

1-37 (b) The county clerk may set and collect the following fee
 1-38 from any person:

1-39 (1) Returned Check (Sec. 118.0215) not
 1-40 less than \$15 or more than \$30

1-41 (2) Records Management and Preservation Fee (Sec.
 1-42 118.0216) not more
 1-43 than \$5

1-44 (3) Mental Health Background Check for License to
 1-45 Carry a Handgun (Sec. 118.0217) not more than \$2

1-46 (4) Marriage License for Out-of-State Applicants
 1-47 (Sec. 118.018) \$100

1-48 SECTION 3. Section 118.018, Local Government Code, is
 1-49 amended by amending Subsection (b-1) and adding Subsection (d) to
 1-50 read as follows:

1-51 (b-1) The county clerk shall issue a marriage license
 1-52 without collecting a marriage license fee from an applicant who:

1-53 (1) completes a premarital education course described
 1-54 by Section 2.013, Family Code; ~~and~~

1-55 (2) provides to the county clerk a premarital
 1-56 education course completion certificate indicating completion of
 1-57 the premarital education course not more than one year before the
 1-58 date the marriage license application is filed with the clerk; and

1-59 (3) provides proof satisfactory to the county clerk
 1-60 that the applicant is a resident of this state.

1-61 (d) If neither applicant for a marriage license provides

2-1 proof satisfactory to the county clerk that the applicant is a
2-2 resident of this state, the county clerk may collect an additional
2-3 fee of \$100 for issuing the marriage license.

2-4 SECTION 4. The change in law made by this Act applies only
2-5 to a marriage license issued on or after January 1, 2018. A
2-6 marriage license issued before January 1, 2018, is governed by the
2-7 law in effect immediately before the effective date of this Act, and
2-8 the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

2-9 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-10 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-11 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-12 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-13 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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