

HOUSE BILL No. 2065

AN ACT concerning family law; relating to dissolution of marriage; allowing change to name other than former or maiden name; removing reference to maiden name; amending K.S.A. 2022 Supp. 23-2716 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2022 Supp. 23-2716 is hereby amended to read as follows: 23-2716. (a) Upon the request of a spouse, the court shall order the restoration of that spouse's ~~maiden or~~ former name. The court shall have jurisdiction to restore the spouse's ~~maiden or~~ former name at or after the time the decree of divorce becomes final.

(b) Upon the request of a spouse, the court may order such spouse's name be changed to a name that is different than such spouse's former name. The court shall have jurisdiction to change the spouse's name at or after the time the decree of divorce becomes final.

(c) The judicial council shall develop a form ~~which~~ that is simple, concise and direct for use with this ~~paragraph~~ section.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2022 Supp. 23-2716 is hereby repealed.

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

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the HOUSE, and was adopted by that body

HOUSE adopted
Conference Committee Report _____

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.

Passed the SENATE
as amended _____

SENATE adopted
Conference Committee Report _____

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

APPROVED _____

Governor.