93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

750 ILCS 50/2   from Ch. 40, par. 1502

     Amends the Adoption Act. Provides that prospective adoptive parents do not have to be licensed as foster parents under the Child Care Act of 1969. Effective July 1, 2004.

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A BILL FOR

1   AN ACT concerning adoption.

2   **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**

3   **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 following persons, who is under no legal

9   disability (except the minority specified in sub-paragraph (b)

10 and who has resided in the State of Illinois continuously for a

11 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

17 separate and apart from his or her spouse for 12 months or

18 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.

23   B. The residence requirement specified in paragraph A of

24 this Section shall not apply to an adoption of a related child

25 or to an adoption of a child placed by an agency.

26   C. Prospective adoptive parents do not have to be licensed

27 as foster parents under the Child Care Act of 1969.

28 (Source: P.A. 90-608, eff. 6-30-98.)

29   Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,

30 2004.