BILL SUMMARY

2nd Session of the 52nd Legislature

Bill No.: HB2634
Version: Committee Substitute
Author: Representative McCullough
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Impact: \$0

Bill Summary

Research Analyst: Dante Giancola

The committee substitute for HB2634 changes several aspect of exist law as it relates to marriage. This includes:

- Outlawing common law marriage;
- Creating covenant marriage;
- Requiring no less than two hours of premarital counseling; and
- Requiring a designation on the marriage license that the couple received counseling

Fiscal Summary

Fiscal Analyst: Marilyn Anderson

The committee substitute for HB2634 provides for covenant marriages and requires all couples to complete at least two hours of premarital counseling prior to receiving a marriage license. Couples who complete twenty or more hours of premarital counseling may receive a marriage license for a reduced fee. The measure requires in all actions for divorce where a minor child is involved that the adult parties attend an educational program before any other issues are addressed in the action.

Fiscal Analysis

HB2634 in its current form has no significant fiscal impact.

Long Term Fiscal Considerations

None

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