

1-1 By: Moody (Senate Sponsor - Hinojosa) H.B. No. 907
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 1, 2023;
 1-3 May 1, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on State
 1-4 Affairs; May 10, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-5 Yeas 11, Nays 0; May 10, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to persons authorized to conduct a marriage ceremony.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Sections 2.202(a) and (b), Family Code, are
 1-24 amended to read as follows:

1-25 (a) The following persons are authorized to conduct a
 1-26 marriage ceremony:

1-27 (1) a licensed or ordained Christian minister or
 1-28 priest;

1-29 (2) a Jewish rabbi;

1-30 (3) a person who is an officer of a religious
 1-31 organization and who is authorized by the organization to conduct a
 1-32 marriage ceremony; and

1-33 (4) a current, former, or retired federal judge or
 1-34 state judge [~~justice of the supreme court, judge of the court of~~
 1-35 ~~criminal appeals, justice of the courts of appeals, judge of the~~
 1-36 ~~district, county, and probate courts, judge of the county courts at~~
 1-37 ~~law, judge of the courts of domestic relations, judge of the~~
 1-38 ~~juvenile courts, retired justice or judge of those courts, justice~~
 1-39 ~~of the peace, retired justice of the peace, judge of a municipal~~
 1-40 ~~court, retired judge of a municipal court, associate judge of a~~
 1-41 ~~statutory probate court, retired associate judge of a statutory~~
 1-42 ~~probate court, associate judge of a county court at law, retired~~
 1-43 ~~associate judge of a county court at law, or judge or magistrate of~~
 1-44 ~~a federal court of this state, and~~

1-45 [~~(5) a retired judge or magistrate of a federal court~~
 1-46 ~~of this state].~~

1-47 (b) For the purposes of Subsection (a)(4), "federal judge"
 1-48 and "state judge" have the meanings assigned by Section 25.025, Tax
 1-49 Code [~~a retired judge or justice is a former judge or justice who is~~
 1-50 ~~vested in the Judicial Retirement System of Texas Plan One or the~~
 1-51 ~~Judicial Retirement System of Texas Plan Two or who has an aggregate~~
 1-52 ~~of at least 12 years of service as judge or justice of any type~~
 1-53 ~~listed in Subsection (a)(4)].~~

1-54 SECTION 2. Section 2.202(b-1), Family Code, is repealed.

1-55 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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