

# HOUSE BILL No. 4704

March 25, 2009, Introduced by Rep. Byrnes and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1905 PA 299, entitled

"An act to provide for changing and determining the names of divorced women,"

by amending the title and section 1 (MCL 552.391).

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 TITLE

2 An act to provide for changing and determining the names of  
3 divorced ~~women~~ **INDIVIDUALS**.

4 Sec. 1. ~~The circuit courts of this state, whenever a decree~~ **IN**  
5 **A JUDGMENT** of divorce, ~~is granted, A COURT~~ may, at the ~~instance of~~  
6 ~~the woman~~ **REQUEST OF A PARTY**, whether ~~complainant~~ **PLAINTIFF** or  
7 defendant, ~~decree to restore to her her~~ **THE PARTY THE PARTY'S** birth  
8 name, or the surname ~~she~~ **THE PARTY** legally bore prior to her ~~THE~~  
9 marriage, ~~to the husband in the divorce action, or allow her~~ **THE**

- 1 **PARTY** to adopt another surname if the change is not sought with any
- 2 fraudulent or evil intent.