STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

August 7, 2019

Introduced by M. of A. GALEF -- read once and referred to the Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the domestic relations law, in relation to prohibiting internet ministers to solemnize marriages

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The domestic relations law is amended by adding a new section 11-d to read as follows:

§ 11-d. Prohibition of internet-ordained ministers. No internet-ordained minister shall be authorized to solemnize any marriage. Any marriage solemnized by an internet-ordained minister prior to the effective date of this section shall be valid if such marriage meets all other necessary criteria under this article.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such effective date.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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