Introduced by Sen. KAPLAN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the domestic relations law, in relation to permitting combination last name changes to occur when separated by a space

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

Section 1. Clause (iv) of subparagraph 3 of paragraph (b) of subdivision 1 of section 15 of the domestic relations law, as added by chapter 583 of the laws of 1985, is amended to read as follows:

(iv) a combination name separated by a hyphen or space, provided that each part of such combination surname is the premarriage surname, or any former surname, of each of the spouses.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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