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HOUSE BILL 47

48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2008

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AN ACT

RELATING TO MARRIAGE; DEFINING MARRIAGE AS A CIVIL CONTRACT
BETWEEN ONE MAN AND ONE WOMAN.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 40-1-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1862-
1863, p. 64, as amended) is amended to read:

"40-1-1. CIVIL CONTRACT.--~~[Section 1.]~~ Marriage is
contemplated by the law as a civil contract between one man and
one woman for which the consent of the contracting parties,
capable in law of contracting, is essential."

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