



- 1           a.   ~~upon the consent and authority expressly given by the~~  
2           ~~parent or guardian of such underage applicant in the~~  
3           ~~presence of the authority issuing such license,~~
- 4           b.   ~~upon the written consent of the parent or guardian of~~  
5           ~~such underage applicant executed and acknowledged in~~  
6           ~~person before a judge of the district court or the~~  
7           ~~court clerk of any county within the State of~~  
8           ~~Oklahoma,~~
- 9           c.   ~~if the parent or guardian resides outside of the State~~  
10           ~~of Oklahoma, upon the written consent of the parent or~~  
11           ~~guardian executed before a judge or clerk of a court~~  
12           ~~of record. The executed foreign consent shall be duly~~  
13           ~~authenticated in the same manner as proof of documents~~  
14           ~~from foreign jurisdictions,~~
- 15           d.   ~~if the certificate of a duly licensed medical doctor~~  
16           ~~or osteopath, acknowledged in the manner provided by~~  
17           ~~law for the acknowledgment of deeds, and stating that~~  
18           ~~such parent or guardian is unable by reason of health~~  
19           ~~or incapacity to be present in person, is presented to~~  
20           ~~such licensing authority, upon the written consent of~~  
21           ~~the parent or guardian, acknowledged in the same~~  
22           ~~manner as the accompanying medical certificate,~~
- 23           e.   ~~if the parent or guardian is on active duty with the~~  
24           ~~Armed Forces of the United States, upon the written~~

1 ~~permission of the parent or guardian, acknowledged in~~  
2 ~~the manner provided by law for acknowledgment of deeds~~  
3 ~~by military personnel authorized to administer oaths.~~  
4 ~~Such permission shall be presented to the licensing~~  
5 ~~authority, accompanied by a certificate executed by a~~  
6 ~~commissioned officer in command of the applicant, to~~  
7 ~~the effect that the parent or guardian is on active~~  
8 ~~duty in the Armed Forces of the United States, or~~  
9 ~~f. upon affidavit of three (3) reputable persons stating~~  
10 ~~that both parents of the minor are deceased, or~~  
11 ~~mentally incompetent, or their whereabouts are unknown~~  
12 ~~to the minor, and that no guardian has theretofore~~  
13 ~~been appointed for the minor. The judge of the~~  
14 ~~district court issuing the license may in his or her~~  
15 ~~discretion consent to the marriage in the same manner~~  
16 ~~as in all cases in which consent may be given by a~~  
17 ~~parent or guardian.~~

18 ~~2. Every person under the age of sixteen (16) years is~~  
19 ~~expressly forbidden and prohibited from entering into the marriage~~  
20 ~~relation except when authorized by the court:~~

- 21 ~~a. in settlement of a suit for seduction or paternity, or~~
- 22 ~~b. if the unmarried female is pregnant, or has given~~  
23 ~~birth to an illegitimate child and at least one parent~~  
24 ~~of each minor, or the guardian or custodian of such~~

1 ~~child, is present before the court and has an~~  
2 ~~opportunity to present evidence in the event such~~  
3 ~~parent, guardian, or custodian objects to the issuance~~  
4 ~~of a marriage license. If they are not present the~~  
5 ~~parent, guardian, or custodian may be given notice of~~  
6 ~~the hearing at the discretion of the court.~~

7 ~~3. A parent or a guardian of any child under the age of~~  
8 ~~eighteen (18) years who is in the custody of the Department of Human~~  
9 ~~Services or the Department of Juvenile Justice shall not be eligible~~  
10 ~~to consent to the marriage of such minor child as required by the~~  
11 ~~provisions of this subsection.~~

12 ~~4. Any certificate or written permission required by this~~  
13 ~~subsection shall be retained by the official issuing the marriage~~  
14 ~~license.~~

15 ~~C.~~ No marriage may be authorized when such marriage would be  
16 incestuous under this ~~chapter~~ title.

17 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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19 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY  
20 OVERSIGHT, dated 04/14/2026 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.  
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