

ICSEW BILL ALERT

Bill #SB 5695

Eliminating child
marriage



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Legislative Hotline:
1.800.562.6000

Summary of bill and impact on Washington:

This bill would eliminate child marriage with the following:

- Marriage is a civil contract between two persons of any gender who have each attained the age of 18 years and who are otherwise capable.
- Every marriage entered in which either person is not 18 is void.
- Any person knowingly violating this section is guilty of a class C felony and shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000, or by imprisonment in a state correctional facility for a period of not more than three years, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

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