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SUMMARY

- Requires each marriage license applicant to also present proof of identity in the form of a passport, a driver's license or permit, or any government- or school-issued identification card.

DETAILED ANALYSIS

Proof of identity for marriage license

The bill adds a new requirement that each person seeking a marriage license must present current and valid documentary proof of identity in the form of any of the following:

- A passport;
- A driver's license or permit;
- Any government- or school-issued identification card showing the person's date of birth.

Continuing law unchanged by the bill generally also requires each person seeking a marriage license to appear in person in the probate court to make application for the license, and for each applicant to present proof of age in the form of statutorily specified documents. A licensing officer cannot issue a marriage license if the officer does not receive the required application, affidavit, or other statements.¹

¹ R.C. 3101.05.

HISTORY

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