# Washington State House of Representatives Office of Program Research

BILL ANALYSIS

## **Judiciary Committee**

### **SB 5079**

**Title:** An act relating to including supreme court and court of appeals commissioners to solemnize marriages.

**Brief Description:** Including supreme court and court of appeals commissioners to solemnize marriages.

**Sponsors:** Senators Marr, Kline and McCaslin; by request of Court Of Appeals.

#### **Brief Summary of Bill**

• Allows Supreme Court commissioners and Court of Appeals commissioners to solemnize marriages.

**Hearing Date:** 3/16/07

Staff: Trudes Tango (786-7384).

#### **Background:**

The following persons, active or retired, are authorized to solemnize marriages:

- Supreme Court justices;
- Court of Appeals, superior court, and district and municipal court judges;
- Superior Court commissioners; and
- any regularly licensed or ordained minister or any priest of any church or religious denomination.

#### **Summary of Bill:**

Supreme Court commissioners and Court of Appeals commissioners are authorized to solemnize marriages.

**Appropriation:** None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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**Effective Date:** The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.