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<u>AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 116, AS AMENDED</u>
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1
        On page 1 of the Judicial Proceedings Committee Amendments (SB0116/418771/1), in line 5 of Amendment No. 1, after "<u>circumstances;</u>" insert "<u>prohibiting certain individuals from being required to perform a marriage ceremony under certain circumstances;</u>"; in lines 5 and 6, strike "<u>a certain refusal</u>" and substitute "<u>certain refusals</u>"; and in line 6, strike the second "or" and substitute "<u>; providing that a certain refusal may not</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2
        On page 2 of the bill, before line 4, insert:

        "<u>SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:</u>

        (a)   <u>Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an individual authorized to perform a marriage ceremony under § 2-406 of the Family Law Article may not be required to perform a marriage ceremony if performance of the ceremony would violate the individual's sincerely held religious beliefs.</u>

        (b)   <u>A refusal by an individual described in subsection (a) of this section to perform a marriage ceremony in accordance with subsection (a) of this section may not create a civil claim or cause of action.</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 3
        On page 5 of the Judicial Proceedings Committee Amendments, in the last line of Amendment No. 3, strike "<u>4.</u>" and substitute "<u>5.</u>".