Chapter 506

#### (House Bill 39)

# AN ACT concerning

### Action for Change of Name - Waiver of Publication Requirement

FOR the purpose of requiring a court to waive a certain publication requirement in a certain action for change of name under certain circumstances; and generally relating to actions for change of name.

### BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3–2201 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 22. Change of Name – Waiver of Publication Requirement"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2020 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

# **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

SUBTITLE 22. CHANGE OF NAME – WAIVER OF PUBLICATION REQUIREMENT.

3-2201.

On motion by an individual who has filed an action for change of name under Maryland Rule 15–901, the court shall waive the publication requirement under the rule.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2021.

Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 30, 2021.