

Amendment No. 78

Assembly Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 117

(BDR 11-217)

Proposed by: Assembly Committee on Judiciary**Amends:** Summary: No Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes

ASSEMBLY ACTION				Initial and Date	SENATE ACTION				Initial and Date
Adopted	☐	Lost	☐	_____	Adopted	☐	Lost	☐	_____
Concurred In	☐	Not	☐	_____	Concurred In	☐	Not	☐	_____
Receded	☐	Not	☐	_____	Receded	☐	Not	☐	_____

EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) ***blue bold italics*** is new language in the original bill; (2) ***green bold italic underlining*** is new language proposed in this amendment; (3) ~~red strikethrough~~ is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ~~purple double strikethrough~~ is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill that is proposed to be retained in this amendment; and (6) ***green bold*** is newly added transitory language.

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Date: 4/4/2007

A.B. No. 117—Revises provisions relating to the exclusion of certain persons from divorce proceedings. (BDR 11-217)



ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 117—ASSEMBLYMAN CARPENTER

FEBRUARY 15, 2007

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to the exclusion of certain persons from divorce proceedings. (BDR 11-217)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to divorce; providing that the parents, guardians, ~~and~~ siblings ***and witnesses*** of parties to an action for divorce must not be excluded from observing the proceedings ~~if~~ ***under certain circumstances***; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law allows a court in any action for a divorce to exclude certain persons from the proceedings upon demand of either party. (NRS 125.080) This bill provides that the parents, guardians, ~~and~~ siblings ***and witnesses*** of the parties must not be excluded from observing the proceedings ~~if~~ ***unless good cause is shown***.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 125.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

125.080 **1.** In any action for divorce, the court shall, upon demand of either party, direct that the trial and issue or issues of fact joined therein be private. ~~if, and upon such direction~~

2. ~~Upon~~ Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, upon such demand of either party, all persons ~~shall~~ **must** be excluded from the court or chambers wherein the action is tried, except ~~the officers of the court, the parties, and their witnesses and counsel~~ :

(a) *The officers of the court;*

(b) *The parties;*

(c) *The counsel for the parties;*

(d) *The witnesses for the parties;*

(e) *The parents or guardians of the parties; and*

(f) *The siblings of the parties.*

3. *The court may, upon oral or written motion of either party, order a hearing to determine whether to exclude the parents, guardians or siblings of*

1 either party, or witnesses for either party, from the court or chambers wherein the
2 action is tried. If good cause is shown for the exclusion of any such person, the
3 court shall exclude any such person from the court or chambers wherein the
4 action is tried.