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Senate Bill 1132 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator John Pappageorge
Committee: Families, Seniors and Human Services

(as enrolled)

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Adoption Code to specify that the court could allow either of the following:

- A married person to adopt an adult, without his or her spouse joining in the adoption petition, if all of the interested parties consented.
- A married person to adopt without his or her spouse joining in the petition, if failure to join in the petition or to consent to the adoption were excused by the court for good cause shown or were in the best interest of the child.

Under the Code, if a married person wishes to adopt an adult or a child, with the intent of making the adoptee his or her heir, the person *and* his or her spouse must file a petition with the court. The bill would make an exception to this requirement.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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