

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 1059

## 92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES GOODMAN (Sponsor), STEVENSON, MUNZLINGER, MYERS,  
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### AN ACT

To repeal sections 452.075 and 452.420, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to alimony and maintenance.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Sections 452.075 and 452.420, RSMo, are repealed and one new section  
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 452.075, to read as follows:

452.075. When a divorce has been granted, and the court has made an order or decree  
2 providing for the payment of alimony and maintenance, the remarriage of the former spouse shall  
3 relieve the spouse obligated to pay support from further payment of alimony to the former spouse  
4 from the date of the remarriage, without the necessity of further court action. **The court may**  
5 **also relieve a former spouse from further payment of alimony and maintenance on a**  
6 **finding that a former spouse receiving alimony or maintenance is cohabitating or has**  
7 **cohabitated with another person in a relationship of a romantic nature**, but the remarriage  
8 **or order of the court terminating alimony or maintenance** shall not relieve the former spouse  
9 from the provisions of any judgment or decree or order providing for the support of any minor  
10 children.

[452.420. All proceedings authorized in chapter 452 to be maintained in  
2 circuit court shall be heard by circuit judges, except that said proceedings may be  
3 heard by an associate circuit judge if he is assigned to hear such case or class of cases  
4 or if he is transferred to hear such case or class of cases pursuant to other provisions  
5 of law or section 6 of article V of the constitution.]

**EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law. Matter in boldface type in the above law is proposed language.**