

## SENATE BILL 704: COVID-19 Recovery Act, Sec. 4.13: Marriage Licenses

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OVERVIEW: Section 4.13 of S.L. 2020-3 allows any register of deeds, who can positively identify each applicant for a marriage license to issue a marriage license via remote audio video communication during a declaration of emergency issued under G.S. 166A-19.20. This section also extends the time from 60 days to 120 days from the date of the issuance of a marriage license to celebrate the marriage in any place within the State.

This section became effective on May 4, 2020, and applies to any marriage license issued on or after February 1, 2020, and expires August 1, 2020, and any marriage license issued on or before that date must be valid for 120 days.

