

House of Representatives
Supplementary Order Paper

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Civil Union Bill

Proposed amendments

Larry Baldock, in committee, to move the following amendment:

Clause 18

To insert in subclause (1), after the words “and who are otherwise eligible to marry” (line 32 on page 11), the words: “, and who are a man and a woman,”.

Explanatory note

This amendment clarifies that marriage is between a man and a woman, since this is only implied in the Marriage Act, and therefore restricts eligibility for those wanting to convert their civil union into marriage to couples that comprise of a man and a woman.

