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(Adoption of adults---)

**NJSA:** 2A:22-1

**LAWS OF:** 1925 **CHAPTER:** 99

**BILL NO:** S60

**SPONSOR(S)** Case

**DATE INTRODUCED:** January 19, 1925

**COMMITTEE:** **ASSEMBLY:** Bill Revision  
**SENATE:** Revision & Amendment of Laws

**AMENDED DURING PASSAGE:** No

**DATE OF PASSAGE:** **ASSEMBLY:** March 12, 1925  
**SENATE:** March 4, 1925

**DATE OF APPROVAL:** March 13, 1925

**FOLLOWING STATEMENTS ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:**

**SPONSOR STATEMENT:** Yes

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:** **ASSEMBLY:** No  
**SENATE:** No

**FISCAL NOTE:** No

**VETO MESSAGE:** No

**MESSAGE ON SIGNING:** No

**FOLLOWING WERE PRINTED:**

**REPORTS:** No

**HEARINGS:** No

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22 parents and not to the next kin of the adopted child; *and provided, also*, if such  
23 adopting parent or parents shall have other child or children then, and in that case,  
24 the children by birth and by adoption shall, respectively, inherit from and through  
25 each other as if all had been children of the same parents born in lawful wedlock;  
26 *and provided, also*, that where a parent has procured a divorce, or a surviving par-  
27 ent, having lawful custody of a child, lawfully marries again, or where an adult  
28 unmarried person who has become a foster parent and has lawful custody of a  
29 child, marries, and such parent or foster parent consents that the person who thus  
30 becomes the stepfather or the stepmother of such person so adopted may adopt such  
31 person so adopted, such parent or such foster parent so consenting shall not thereby  
32 be relieved of any of his or her parental duties toward, or be deprived of any of his  
33 or her rights over said person so adopted or to his property by descent or succession.

1 6. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and  
2 this act shall take place immediately.

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#### STATEMENT.

The annexed bill does not change the present law of the State regarding adoption.  
The bill is not an amendment or supplement to any act. It is a new act.

All previous acts, concerning adoption, treat only with the adoption of infants  
and there is now no provision under the statutes of this State for the adoption of  
adults.

The purpose of this act is to enable, or permit persons, lawfully qualified to contract,  
to obtain the sanction of the law to enter into a mutually beneficial relationship which,  
as above stated, the law of the State has not heretofore provided for.