## LEGISLATIVE BILL 434

## Approved by the Governor April 2, 1997

Introduced by Crosby, 29

AN ACT relating to marriage; to amend section 42-372.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1996; to change dissolution decree provisions; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 42-372.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1996, is amended to read:

42-372.01. (1) Except for purposes of appeal as prescribed in section 42-372, for purposes of remarriage as prescribed in subsection (2) of this section, and for purposes of continuation of health insurance coverage as prescribed in subsection (3) of this section, a decree dissolving a marriage becomes final and operative thirty days after the decree is rendered or on the date of death of one of the parties to the dissolution, whichever occurs first. If the decree becomes final and operative upon the date of death of one of the parties to the dissolution, the decree shall be treated as if it became final and operative the date it was rendered.

(2) For purposes of remarriage other than remarriage between the parties, a decree dissolving a marriage becomes final and operative six months after the decree is rendered or on the date of death of one of the parties to the dissolution, whichever occurs first. If the decree becomes final and operative upon the date of death of one of the parties to the dissolution, the decree shall be treated as if it became final and operative the date it was rendered.

(3) For purposes of continuation of health insurance coverage, a decree dissolving a marriage becomes final and operative six months after the decree is rendered.

(4) A decree dissolving a marriage rendered prior to September 9, 1995, which is not final and operative becomes operative pursuant to the provisions of section 42-372 as such section existed immediately preceding September 9, 1995.

Sec. 2. Original section 42-372.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1996, is repealed.