

CITIZEN PROPOSAL IN LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

to eliminate the marriage of children under the age of 18

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Citizen Proposal for Legislation to Eliminate the Marriage of Children under the age of 18

Article 1

Law No. 70-03 of February 3, 2004 on the Family Code (consolidated version dated February 4, 2016) is amended as follows:

1° Articles 20, 21 and 22 are repealed.

Article 2

The provisions of Articles 98, 116, 195 and 199 are amended and modified as follows:

Article 98

The wife may petition for judicial divorce on one of the following grounds:

...

7) If she was married before the age of 18.

Article 116

The second and final sentence of Article 116 is deleted.

Article 195

At the end of this article, insert the following words... unless she was married before the age of 18.

Section 199

At the end of this article, insert the following words... unless she was married before the age of

18. Article 3

This law will enter into force from the date of its publication in the Official Bulletin.