Declaratory, Corrective and Administrative Remedies

CHAPTER 553

ABOLITION OF VARIOUS CIVIL ACTIONS

553.01 Breach of promise; alienation of affections; criminal conversation and seduction; declaration of policy.

553.02 553.03 Civil causes abolished

Breach of contract to marry not actionable.

553.01 BREACH OF PROMISE; ALIENATION OF AFFECTIONS; CRIMINAL CONVERSATION AND SEDUCTION; DECLARATION OF POLICY.

Actions based upon alleged alienation of affections, criminal conversation, seduction and breach of contract to marry, have been subject to grave abuses, have caused intimidation and harassment, to innocent persons and have resulted in the perpetration of frauds. It is declared as the public policy of the state that the best interests of the people of the state will be served by the abolition of these causes of action.

History: 1978 c 515 s 1

553.02 CIVIL CAUSES ABOLISHED.

All civil causes of action for breach of promise to marry, alienation of affections, criminal conversation and seduction are abolished.

History: 1978 c 515 s 2

553.03 BREACH OF CONTRACT TO MARRY NOT ACTIONABLE.

No act done within this state shall operate to give rise, either within or without this state, to any of the rights of action abolished by sections 553.01 to 553.03. No contract to marry made or entered into in this state shall operate to give rise, either within or without this state, to any cause or right of action for breach, nor shall any action alleging breach of contract to marry be heard in the courts of this state.

History: 1978 c 515 s 3