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## **MARRIAGE APPLICATIONS**

**House Bill 4962**

**Sponsor: Rep. Michael J. Bennane**

**Committee: Public Health**

**Complete to 9-13-93**

### **A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4962 AS INTRODUCED 7-15-93**

Currently, under the Public Health Code, physicians and local health officers are required to counsel marriage applicants on venereal diseases and HIV (human immunodeficiency virus) infection, as well as offer applicants tests for both. The bill would amend the health code to allow certified nurse midwives (CNMs) and certified nurse practitioners (CNPs) to perform these functions in addition to physicians and local health officers. In addition, the bill would authorize those required to offer venereal and HIV tests to marriage applicants to also refer applicants for testing.

The bill also would define "physician" to mean a licensed M.D. or D.O. Currently, the health code allows local public health officers to designate someone to offer counseling and testing to marriage applicants; the bill also would allow physicians to designate someone to perform these functions.

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