

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1648 Session of
1991

INTRODUCED BY WILLIAMS, HARPER, OLIVER, MELIO, WOZNIAK,
ROBINSON, COHEN, JAMES, DERMODY, WOGAN, FAJT AND BISHOP,
JUNE 12, 1991

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JUNE 12, 1991

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, requiring disclosure of ethnic origin
3 in marriage license applications in cities of the first
4 class.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 1302 of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes, added December 19, 1990 (P.L.1240,
9 No.206), is amended to read:

10 § 1302. Application for license.

11 (a) General rule.--No marriage license shall be issued
12 except upon written and verified application made by both of the
13 parties intending to marry.

14 (b) Contents.--The application shall contain the following:

15 (1) The full name of the applicants.

16 (2) The race, occupation, birthplace, residence and age
17 of the applicants.

18 (3) Whether the marriage contemplated is the first,

1 second or other marriage of an applicant.

2 (4) A statement that neither of the applicants is
3 afflicted with transmissible disease.

4 (5) The full name, residence, race, occupation and
5 birthplace of the parents of each applicant, including the
6 maiden name of the mother of each applicant.

7 (6) Any other facts necessary to determine whether a
8 legal impediment to the proposed marriage exists.

9 (7) In cities of the first class, the ethnic origin of
10 the applicants.

11 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.