

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 382 Session of  
1999

INTRODUCED BY GREENLEAF AND MUSTO, FEBRUARY 11, 1999

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 11, 1999

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for mandatory counseling in  
3 certain divorce cases.

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

6 Section 1. Section 3302 of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:  
8 § 3302. Counseling.

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10 (g) Counseling of minor children.--The court may not grant a  
11 decree in divorce if the parties have any children between six  
12 and 16 years of age unless the parties can prove to the court  
13 that all of those children have attended at least three  
14 counseling sessions conducted by qualified professionals between  
15 the time of separation and the granting of the decree.

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