

Regular Session, 1999

HOUSE BILL NO. 1450

BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT

MARRIAGE: Prohibits the recognition or validity of any marriage between persons of the same sex lawfully entered into in another jurisdiction and provides for the effect of such marriages

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact Civil Code Article 89, relative to same sex marriages;
3 to prohibit the recognition of any marriage between persons of the same
4 sex; to provide for any such marriage contracted in another state or
5 jurisdiction; to provide for the effect of any public act, record or
6 judicial proceeding in another state or jurisdiction which authorizes
7 such marriages; and to provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. Civil Code Article 89 is hereby amended and reenacted to
10 read as follows:

11 Art. 89. Impediment of same sex

12 Persons of the same sex may not contract marriage with each
13 other. A marriage between persons of the same sex shall not be valid
14 or recognized in this state for any purpose, even if contracted in a
15 jurisdiction where permitted. This state shall not give effect to any
16 public act, record, or judicial proceeding of any other state or
17 jurisdiction that recognizes or validates such a marriage between

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1 persons of the same sex or any right or claim asserted as a result of the
2 purported marriage.

DIGEST

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Present law prohibits persons of the same sex contracting marriage with each other.

Proposed law retains present law and further provides that a marriage between persons of the same sex is not valid or recognized in La., even if valid in a jurisdiction where contracted. Provides that La. shall not give effect to any public act, record, or judicial proceeding of any other jurisdiction that recognizes or validates any same sex marriage or any right or claim asserted as a result of the purported marriage.

(Amends C.C. Art. 89)