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Abstract: Provides for required notification of expenses that will be incurred for required marital counseling and possible legal counseling in the process of obtaining a judgment of divorce or a judgment of separation of bed and board under the Covenant of Marriage Act.

Present law provides for the Covenant Marriage Act which establishes special procedures in order to enter into a covenant marriage and to obtain a divorce under a covenant marriage.

Present law provides for certain declarations and forms required to be used in a covenant marriage.

Present law requires premarital counseling in order to enter into a covenant marriage and requires marriage counseling to attempt to resolve marital conflicts prior to obtaining a divorce or a judgment of separation from bed and board.

Proposed law retains present law and further provides for required notice of expenses that will be incurred for required marital counseling and possible legal counseling in the process of obtaining a judgment of divorce or a judgment of separation of bed and board.

(Amends R.S. 9:273(A)(1) and (2)(a), 273.1, 275(C)(1)(a) and (b)(i), and 275.1)