## 6014

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Brief Description: Authorizing civil unions.

## SB 6014 - DIGEST

Requires that parties to a civil union must satisfy the following criteria in order to establish a civil union: (1) Neither party may be a party to another civil union or a marriage;

- (2) The parties to the civil union must be of the same sex and therefore excluded from the marriage laws of this state;
- (3) The parties may not be nearer of kin to each other than second cousins, whether of the whole or half blood;
  - (4) Both parties must be eighteen years of age or older; and
- (5) Both parties must be capable of consenting to the civil union.