



by a physician chosen by the state, at the applicant's expense, prior to approval of an application. Proposed law changes reference from independent medical examination to compulsory medical examination.

Present law relative to the Protection From Family Violence Act provides that in domestic abuse cases the court may grant any protective order or approve any consent agreement to bring about a cessation of domestic abuse, or the threat or danger thereof, to a party, any minor children, or any person alleged to be incompetent, which relief may include but is not limited to, ordering a medical evaluation of the defendant or the abused person, or both. Proposed law changes reference from medical evaluation to compulsory medical evaluation.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial actions.

(Amends C.C.P. Arts. 1421 and 1464, R.S. 23:1123, 1124, 1203(E), 1221(4)(s)(ii), 1307 and 1317.1, R.S. 39:1952(14)(e), and R.S. 46:2136(A)(4))