READINGS ON NO-FAULT DIVORCE

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This compilation of selected materials relative to no-fault divorce and its impact on children was gathered at the request of Assemblymember Martha Escutia, Chair of the Assembly Judiciary Committee. A brief introduction relates the history of state grounds for divorce and state divorce rates. Other topics include demographic information on divorce rates and family composition, the impact on children, current comparative state legislation, proposals to strengthen marriage and selected articles which present divergent opinions about research findings and reform proposals. The Assembly Judiciary Committee report on Divorce Reform in California: From Fault to No-Fault...and Back Again?, offers an excellent summary. Associated topics explicitly not included in the requests include child and spousal support and property division.  

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