

<AP> **GAY MARRIAGE 020705:** Map shows existing states' laws on gay marriage; with BC-Gay Marriage; two versions; 2c x 5 1/8 inches, 96.3 mm x 130 mm; 2c x 6 5/8 inches, 96.3 mm x 168 mm; JJO, CK; ETA 6 p.m. </AP>

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