DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND DATING VIOLENCE	
AMENDMENTS	
2011 GENERAL SESSION	
STATE OF UTAH	
Chief Sponsor: Paul Ray	
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LONG TITLE	
General Description:	
This bill provides for the issuance, modification, and enforcement of protective orders	
between certain individuals who are, or have been, in a dating relationship.	
Highlighted Provisions:	
This bill:	
defines terms;	
 provides for the issuance, modification, and enforcement of protective orders 	
between parties who are, or have been, in a dating relationship when:	
 the parties are emancipated or 18 years of age or older; 	
• the parties are, or have been, in a dating relationship with each other; and	
 a party commits abuse or dating violence against the other party; 	
 requires the Administrative Office of the Courts to develop and adopt uniform 	
forms for petitions and orders for protection relating to dating violence;	
 describes the restrictions that a court may include in a protective order; 	
 describes the conditions that may be placed on an alleged perpetrator of dating 	
violence:	
• in a protective order;	
• in an order of probation for violation of a protective order relating to dating	
violence; or	



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28	 as a condition of release prior to trial for violation of a protective order relating
29	to dating violence; and
30	 makes technical changes.
31	Money Appropriated in this Bill:
32	None
33	Other Special Clauses:
34	This bill takes effect on September 1, 2011.
35	Utah Code Sections Affected:
36	AMENDS:
37	30-3-3, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 3
38	30-3-32, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 3 and 146
39	53-10-208, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2009, Chapters 292 and 356
40	53-10-208.1, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2009, Chapter 356
41	57-22-5.1, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 352
42	62A-4a-101, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2009, Chapter 75
43	76-5-108, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 3
44	77-3a-101, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 3
45	77-36-1, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapters 218 and 384
46	77-36-2.1, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 3
47	77-36-2.4, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 384
48	77-36-2.7, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 384
49	77-36-5.1, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 384
50	77-36-6, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 384
51	78A-6-103, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2009, Chapter 146
52	78B-7-101, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 3
53	78B-7-102, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 3
54	78B-7-103, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 3
55	78B-7-105, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2009, Chapter 232
56	78B-7-106, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2009, Chapter 146
57	78B-7-107, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 34
58	78B-7-108, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 3

50	78B-19-107 , as enacted by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 382
51 52	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
63	Section 1. Section 30-3-3 is amended to read:
64	30-3-3. Award of costs, attorney and witness fees Temporary alimony.
65	(1) In any action filed under Title 30, Chapter 3, Divorce, Chapter 4, Separate
66	Maintenance, or Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 1, Cohabitant and Dating Partner Abuse Act, and in
67	any action to establish an order of custody, parent-time, child support, alimony, or division of
68	property in a domestic case, the court may order a party to pay the costs, attorney fees, and
69	witness fees, including expert witness fees, of the other party to enable the other party to
70	prosecute or defend the action. The order may include provision for costs of the action.
71	(2) In any action to enforce an order of custody, parent-time, child support, alimony, or
72	division of property in a domestic case, the court may award costs and attorney fees upon
73	determining that the party substantially prevailed upon the claim or defense. The court, in its
74	discretion, may award no fees or limited fees against a party if the court finds the party is
75	impecunious or enters in the record the reason for not awarding fees.
76	(3) In any action listed in Subsection (1), the court may order a party to provide money,
77	during the pendency of the action, for the separate support and maintenance of the other party
78	and of any children in the custody of the other party.
79	(4) Orders entered under this section prior to entry of the final order or judgment may
30	be amended during the course of the action or in the final order or judgment.
31	Section 2. Section 30-3-32 is amended to read:
32	30-3-32. Parent-time Intent Policy Definitions.
33	(1) It is the intent of the Legislature to promote parent-time at a level consistent with
34	all parties' interests.
35	(2) (a) A court shall consider as primary the safety and well-being of the child and the
36	parent who is the victim of domestic or family violence.
37	(b) Absent a showing by a preponderance of evidence of real harm or substantiated
38	potential harm to the child:
39	(i) it is in the best interests of the child of divorcing, divorced, or adjudicated parents to

78B-7-110, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 3

- H.B. 205 90 have frequent, meaningful, and continuing access to each parent following separation or 91 divorce; 92 (ii) each divorcing, separating, or adjudicated parent is entitled to and responsible for 93 frequent, meaningful, and continuing access with his child consistent with the child's best 94 interests; and 95 (iii) it is in the best interests of the child to have both parents actively involved in 96 parenting the child. 97 (c) An order issued against a cohabitant by a court pursuant to Title 78B, Chapter 7, 98 Part 1, Cohabitant and Dating Partner Abuse Act shall be considered evidence of real harm or 99 substantiated potential harm to the child. 100 (3) For purposes of Sections 30-3-32 through 30-3-37: 101 (a) "Child" means the child or children of divorcing, separating, or adjudicated parents. 102 (b) "Christmas school vacation" means the time period beginning on the evening the 103
- child gets out of school for the Christmas or winter school break until the evening before the 104

child returns to school.

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- (c) "Extended parent-time" means a period of parent-time other than a weekend, holiday as provided in Subsections 30-3-35(2)(f) and (2)(g), religious holidays as provided in Subsections 30-3-33(3) and (17), and "Christmas school vacation."
 - (d) "Surrogate care" means care by any individual other than the parent of the child.
- (e) "Uninterrupted time" means parent-time exercised by one parent without interruption at any time by the presence of the other parent.
- (f) "Virtual parent-time" means parent-time facilitated by tools such as telephone, email, instant messaging, video conferencing, and other wired or wireless technologies over the Internet or other communication media to supplement in-person visits between a noncustodial parent and a child or between a child and the custodial parent when the child is staying with the noncustodial parent. Virtual parent-time is designed to supplement, not replace, in-person parent-time.
- (4) If a parent relocates because of an act of domestic violence or family violence by the other parent, the court shall make specific findings and orders with regards to the application of Section 30-3-37.
- Section 3. Section **53-10-208** is amended to read:

121	53-10-208. Definition Offenses included on statewide warrant system
122	Transportation fee to be included Statewide warrant system responsibility Quality
123	control Training Technical support Transaction costs.
124	(1) "Statewide warrant system" means the portion of the state court computer system
125	that is accessible by modem from the state mainframe computer and contains:
126	(a) records of criminal warrant information; and
127	(b) after notice and hearing, records of protective orders issued pursuant to:
128	(i) Title 77, Chapter 36, Cohabitant Abuse Procedures Act; or
129	(ii) Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 1, Cohabitant and Dating Partner Abuse Act.
130	(2) (a) The division shall include on the statewide warrant system all warrants issued
131	for felony offenses and class A, B, and C misdemeanor offenses in the state.
132	(b) The division shall include on the statewide warrant system all warrants issued for
133	failure to appear on a traffic citation as ordered by a magistrate under Subsection 77-7-19(3).
134	(c) For each warrant, the division shall indicate whether the magistrate ordered under
135	Section 77-7-5 and Rule 6, Utah Rules of Criminal Procedure, that the accused appear in court.
136	(3) The division is the agency responsible for the statewide warrant system and shall:
137	(a) ensure quality control of all warrants of arrest or commitment and protective orders
138	contained in the statewide warrant system by conducting regular validation checks with every
139	clerk of a court responsible for entering the information on the system;
140	(b) upon the expiration of the protective orders and in the manner prescribed by the
141	division, purge information regarding protective orders described in Subsection 53-10-208.1(4)
142	within 30 days of the time after expiration;
143	(c) establish system procedures and provide training to all criminal justice agencies
144	having access to information contained on the state warrant system;
145	(d) provide technical support, program development, and systems maintenance for the
146	operation of the system; and
147	(e) pay data processing and transaction costs for state, county, and city law
148	enforcement agencies and criminal justice agencies having access to information contained on
149	the state warrant system.
150	(4) (a) Any data processing or transaction costs not funded by legislative appropriation
151	shall be paid on a pro rata basis by all agencies using the system during the fiscal year.

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152	(b) This Subsection (4) supersedes any conflicting provision in Subsection (3)(e).
153	Section 4. Section 53-10-208.1 is amended to read:
154	53-10-208.1. Magistrates and court clerks to supply information.
155	Every magistrate or clerk of a court responsible for court records in this state shall,
156	within 30 days of the disposition and on forms and in the manner provided by the division,
157	furnish the division with information pertaining to:
158	(1) all dispositions of criminal matters, including:
159	(a) guilty pleas;
160	(b) convictions;
161	(c) dismissals;
162	(d) acquittals;
163	(e) pleas held in abeyance;
164	(f) judgments of not guilty by reason of insanity for a violation of:
165	(i) a felony offense;
166	(ii) Title 76, Chapter 5, Offenses Against the Person; or
167	(iii) Title 76, Chapter 10, Part 5, Weapons;
168	(g) judgments of guilty and mentally ill;
169	(h) finding of mental incompetence to stand trial for a violation of:
170	(i) a felony offense;
171	(ii) Title 76, Chapter 5, Offenses Against the Person; or
172	(iii) Title 76, Chapter 10, Part 5, Weapons; or
173	(i) probations granted; and
174	(2) orders of civil commitment under the terms of Section 62A-15-631;
175	(3) the issuance, recall, cancellation, or modification of all warrants of arrest or
176	commitment as described in Rule 6, Utah Rules of Criminal Procedure and Section 78B-6-303,
177	within one day of the action and in a manner provided by the division; and
178	(4) protective orders issued after notice and hearing, pursuant to:
179	(a) Title 77, Chapter 36, Cohabitant Abuse Procedures Act; or
180	(b) Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 1, Cohabitant and Dating Partner Abuse Act.
181	Section 5. Section 57-22-5.1 is amended to read:
182	57-22-5.1. Crime victim's right to new locks Domestic violence victim's right to

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183	terminate rental agreement.
184	(1) As used in this section, "crime victim" means a victim of:
185	(a) domestic violence, as defined in Section 77-36-1;
186	(b) stalking as defined in Section 76-5-106.5;
187	(c) a crime under Title 76, Chapter 5, Part 4, Sexual Offenses;
188	(d) burglary or aggravated burglary under Section 76-6-202 or 76-6-203; or
189	(e) dating violence, consisting of verbal, emotional, psychological, physical, or sexual
190	abuse of one person by another in a dating relationship.
191	(2) An acceptable form of documentation of an act listed in Subsection (1) is:
192	(a) a protective order protecting the renter issued pursuant to Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part
193	1, Cohabitant and Dating Partner Abuse Act, subsequent to a hearing of which the petitioner
194	and respondent have been given notice under Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 1, Cohabitant and
195	Dating Partner Abuse Act; or
196	(b) a copy of a police report documenting an act listed in Subsection (1).
197	(3) (a) A renter who is a crime victim may require the renter's owner to install a new
198	lock to the renter's residential rental unit if the renter:
199	(i) provides the owner with an acceptable form of documentation of an act listed in
200	Subsection (1); and
201	(ii) pays for the cost of installing the new lock.
202	(b) An owner may comply with Subsection (3)(a) by:
203	(i) rekeying the lock if the lock is in good working condition; or
204	(ii) changing the entire locking mechanism with a locking mechanism of equal or
205	greater quality than the lock being replaced.
206	(c) An owner who installs a new lock under Subsection (3)(a) may retain a copy of the
207	key that opens the new lock.
208	(d) Notwithstanding any rental agreement, an owner who installs a new lock under
209	Subsection (3)(a) shall refuse to provide a copy of the key that opens the new lock to the
210	perpetrator of the act listed in Subsection (1).
211	(e) Notwithstanding Section 78B-6-814, if an owner refuses to provide a copy of the

key under Subsection (3)(d) to a perpetrator who is not barred from the residential rental unit

by a protective order but is a renter on the rental agreement, the perpetrator may file a petition

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214	with a court of competent jurisdiction within 50 days to:	
215	(i) establish whether the perpetrator should be given a key and allowed access to the	
216	residential rental unit; or	
217	(ii) whether the perpetrator should be relieved of further liability under the rental	
218	agreement because of the owner's exclusion of the perpetrator from the residential rental unit.	
219	(f) Notwithstanding Subsection (3)(e)(ii), a perpetrator may not be relieved of further	
220	liability under the rental agreement if the perpetrator is found by the court to have committed	
221	the act upon which the landlord's exclusion of the perpetrator is based.	
222	(4) A renter who is a victim of domestic violence, as defined in Section 77-36-1, may	
223	terminate a rental agreement if the renter:	
224	(a) is in compliance with:	
225	(i) all provisions of Section 57-22-5; and	
226	(ii) all obligations under the rental agreement;	
227	(b) provides the owner:	
228	(i) written notice of termination; and	
229	(ii) a protective order protecting the renter from a domestic violence perpetrator; and	
230	(c) no later than the date that the renter provides a notice of termination under	
231	Subsection (4)(b)(i), pays the owner the equivalent of 45 days' rent for the period beginning or	
232	the date that the renter provides the notice of termination.	
233	Section 6. Section 62A-4a-101 is amended to read:	
234	62A-4a-101. Definitions.	
235	As used in this chapter:	
236	(1) "Abuse" is as defined in Section 78A-6-105.	
237	(2) "Adoption services" means:	
238	(a) placing children for adoption;	
239	(b) subsidizing adoptions under Section 62A-4a-105;	
240	(c) supervising adoption placements until the adoption is finalized by the court;	
241	(d) conducting adoption studies;	
242	(e) preparing adoption reports upon request of the court; and	
243	(f) providing postadoptive placement services, upon request of a family, for the	
244	purpose of stabilizing a possible disruptive placement.	

245	(3) "Child" means, except as provided in Part 7, Interstate Compact on Placement of	
246	Children, a person under 18 years of age.	
247	(4) "Consumer" means a person who receives services offered by the division in	
248	accordance with this chapter.	
249	(5) "Chronic abuse" means repeated or patterned abuse.	
250	(6) "Chronic neglect" means repeated or patterned neglect.	
251	(7) "Custody," with regard to the division, means the custody of a minor in the division	
252	as of the date of disposition.	
253	(8) "Day-care services" means care of a child for a portion of the day which is less than	
254	24 hours:	
255	(a) in the child's own home by a responsible person; or	
256	(b) outside of the child's home in a:	
257	(i) day-care center;	
258	(ii) family group home; or	
259	(iii) family child care home.	
260	(9) "Dependent child" or "dependency" means a child, or the condition of a child, who	
261	is homeless or without proper care through no fault of the child's parent, guardian, or custodian	
262	(10) "Director" means the director of the Division of Child and Family Services.	
263	(11) "Division" means the Division of Child and Family Services.	
264	(12) "Domestic violence services" means:	
265	(a) temporary shelter, treatment, and related services to:	
266	(i) a person who is a victim of abuse, as defined in Section 78B-7-102, by a cohabitant,	
267	as defined in Section 78B-7-102; and	
268	(ii) the dependent children of a person described in Subsection (12)(a)(i); and	
269	(b) treatment services for a person who is alleged to have committed, has been	
270	convicted of, or has pled guilty to, an act of domestic violence as defined in Section 77-36-1.	
271	(13) "Harm" is as defined in Section 78A-6-105.	
272	(14) "Homemaking service" means the care of individuals in their domiciles, and help	
273	given to individual caretaker relatives to achieve improved household and family management	
274	through the services of a trained homemaker.	
275	(15) "Incest" is as defined in Section 78A-6-105.	

276	(16) "Minor" means, except as provided in Part 7, Interstate Compact on Placement of	
277	Children:	
278	(a) a child; or	
279	(b) a person:	
280	(i) who is at least 18 years of age and younger than 21 years of age; and	
281	(ii) for whom the division has been specifically ordered by the juvenile court to provide	
282	services.	
283	(17) "Molestation" is as defined in Section 78A-6-105.	
284	(18) "Natural parent" means a minor's biological or adoptive parent, and includes a	
285	minor's noncustodial parent.	
286	(19) "Neglect" is as defined in Section 78A-6-105.	
287	(20) "Protective custody," with regard to the division, means the shelter of a child by	
288	the division from the time the child is removed from the child's home until the earlier of:	
289	(a) the shelter hearing; or	
290	(b) the child's return home.	
291	(21) "Protective services" means expedited services that are provided:	
292	(a) in response to evidence of neglect, abuse, or dependency of a child;	
293	(b) to a cohabitant who is neglecting or abusing a child, in order to:	
294	(i) help the cohabitant develop recognition of the cohabitant's duty of care and of the	
295	causes of neglect or abuse; and	
296	(ii) strengthen the cohabitant's ability to provide safe and acceptable care; and	
297	(c) in cases where the child's welfare is endangered:	
298	(i) to bring the situation to the attention of the appropriate juvenile court and law	
299	enforcement agency;	
300	(ii) to cause a protective order to be issued for the protection of the child, when	
301	appropriate; and	
302	(iii) to protect the child from the circumstances that endanger the child's welfare	
303	including, when appropriate:	
304	(A) removal from the child's home;	
305	(B) placement in substitute care; and	
306	(C) petitioning the court for termination of parental rights.	

307	(22) "Severe abuse" is as defined in Section 78A-6-105.	
308	(23) "Severe neglect" is as defined in Section 78A-6-105.	
309	(24) "Sexual abuse" is as defined in Section 78A-6-105.	
310	(25) "Sexual exploitation" is as defined in Section 78A-6-105.	
311	(26) "Shelter care" means the temporary care of a minor in a nonsecure facility.	
312	(27) "State" means:	
313	(a) a state of the United States;	
314	(b) the District of Columbia;	
315	(c) the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico;	
316	(d) the Virgin Islands;	
317	(e) Guam;	
318	(f) the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; or	
319	(g) a territory or possession administered by the United States.	
320	(28) "State plan" means the written description of the programs for children, youth, and	
321	family services administered by the division in accordance with federal law.	
322	(29) "Status offense" means a violation of the law that would not be a violation but for	
323	the age of the offender.	
324	(30) "Substance abuse" is as defined in Section 78A-6-105.	
325	(31) "Substantiated" or "substantiation" means a judicial finding based on a	
326	preponderance of the evidence that abuse or neglect occurred. Each allegation made or	
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328	a finding of substantiated.	
329	(32) "Substitute care" means:	
330	(a) the placement of a minor in a family home, group care facility, or other placement	
331	outside the minor's own home, either at the request of a parent or other responsible relative, or	
332	upon court order, when it is determined that continuation of care in the minor's own home	
333	would be contrary to the minor's welfare;	
334	(b) services provided for a minor awaiting placement; and	
335	(c) the licensing and supervision of a substitute care facility.	
336	(33) "Supported" means a finding by the division based on the evidence available at the	
337	completion of an investigation that there is a reasonable basis to conclude that abuse, neglect,	

or dependency occurred. Each allegation made or identified during the course of the investigation shall be considered separately in determining whether there should be a finding of supported.

- (34) "Temporary custody," with regard to the division, means the custody of a child in the division from the date of the shelter hearing until disposition.
- (35) "Transportation services" means travel assistance given to an individual with escort service, if necessary, to and from community facilities and resources as part of a service plan.
- (36) "Unsubstantiated" means a judicial finding that there is insufficient evidence to conclude that abuse or neglect occurred.
- (37) "Unsupported" means a finding at the completion of an investigation that there is insufficient evidence to conclude that abuse, neglect, or dependency occurred. However, a finding of unsupported means also that the division worker did not conclude that the allegation was without merit.
- (38) "Without merit" means a finding at the completion of an investigation by the division, or a judicial finding, that the alleged abuse, neglect, or dependency did not occur, or that the alleged perpetrator was not responsible for the abuse, neglect, or dependency.
 - Section 7. Section **76-5-108** is amended to read:

76-5-108. Protective orders restraining abuse of another -- Violation.

- (1) Any person who is the respondent or defendant subject to a protective order, child protective order, ex parte protective order, or ex parte child protective order issued under Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 1, Cohabitant and Dating Partner Abuse Act, or Title 78A, Chapter 6, Juvenile Court Act of 1996, Title 77, Chapter 36, Cohabitant Abuse Procedures Act, or a foreign protection order enforceable under Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 3, Uniform Interstate Enforcement of Domestic Violence Protection Orders Act, who intentionally or knowingly violates that order after having been properly served, is guilty of a class A misdemeanor, except as a greater penalty may be provided in Title 77, Chapter 36, Cohabitant Abuse Procedures Act.
- (2) Violation of an order as described in Subsection (1), except for an order relating to parties who are dating partners, as defined in Section 78B-7-102, is a domestic violence offense under Section 77-36-1 and subject to increased penalties in accordance with Section

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370 Section 8. Section **77-3a-101** is amended to read:

77-3a-101. Civil stalking injunction -- Petition -- Ex parte injunction.

- (1) As used in this chapter, "stalking" means the crime of stalking as defined in Section 76-5-106.5. Stalking injunctions may not be obtained against law enforcement officers, governmental investigators, or licensed private investigators, acting in their official capacity.
- (2) Any person who believes that he or she is the victim of stalking may file a verified written petition for a civil stalking injunction against the alleged stalker with the district court in the district in which the petitioner or respondent resides or in which any of the events occurred. A minor with his or her parent or guardian may file a petition on his or her own behalf, or a parent, guardian, or custodian may file a petition on the minor's behalf.
- (3) The Administrative Office of the Courts shall develop and adopt uniform forms for petitions, ex parte civil stalking injunctions, civil stalking injunctions, service and any other necessary forms in accordance with the provisions of this chapter on or before July 1, 2001. The office shall provide the forms to the clerk of each district court.
- (a) All petitions, injunctions, ex parte injunctions, and any other necessary forms shall be issued in the form adopted by the Administrative Office of the Courts.
- (b) The offices of the court clerk shall provide the forms to persons seeking to proceed under this chapter.
 - (4) The petition for a civil stalking injunction shall include:
- (a) the name of the petitioner; however, the petitioner's address shall be disclosed to the court for purposes of service, but, on request of the petitioner, the address may not be listed on the petition, and shall be protected and maintained in a separate document or automated database, not subject to release, disclosure, or any form of public access except as ordered by the court for good cause shown;
 - (b) the name and address, if known, of the respondent:
 - (c) specific events and dates of the actions constituting the alleged stalking;
- (d) if there is a prior court order concerning the same conduct, the name of the court in which the order was rendered; and
- (e) corroborating evidence of stalking, which may be in the form of a police report, affidavit, record, statement, item, letter, or any other evidence which tends to prove the

allegation of stalking.

- (5) If the court determines that there is reason to believe that an offense of stalking has occurred, an ex parte civil stalking injunction may be issued by the court that includes any of the following:
 - (a) respondent may be enjoined from committing stalking;
- (b) respondent may be restrained from coming near the residence, place of employment, or school of the other party or specifically designated locations or persons;
- (c) respondent may be restrained from contacting, directly or indirectly, the other party, including personal, written or telephone contact with the other party, the other party's employers, employees, fellow workers or others with whom communication would be likely to cause annoyance or alarm to the other party; or
- (d) any other relief necessary or convenient for the protection of the petitioner and other specifically designated persons under the circumstances.
- (6) Within 10 days of service of the ex parte civil stalking injunction, the respondent is entitled to request, in writing, an evidentiary hearing on the civil stalking injunction.
- (a) A hearing requested by the respondent shall be held within 10 days from the date the request is filed with the court unless the court finds compelling reasons to continue the hearing. The hearing shall then be held at the earliest possible time. The burden is on the petitioner to show by a preponderance of the evidence that stalking of the petitioner by the respondent has occurred.
 - (b) An ex parte civil stalking injunction issued under this section shall state on its face:
- (i) that the respondent is entitled to a hearing, upon written request within 10 days of the service of the order;
 - (ii) the name and address of the district court where the request may be filed;
- (iii) that if the respondent fails to request a hearing within 10 days of service, the ex parte civil stalking injunction is automatically modified to a civil stalking injunction without further notice to the respondent and that the civil stalking injunction expires three years after service of the ex parte civil stalking injunction; and
- (iv) that if the respondent requests, in writing, a hearing after the ten-day period after service, the court shall set a hearing within a reasonable time from the date requested.
 - (7) At the hearing, the court may modify, revoke, or continue the injunction. The

burden is on the petitioner to show by a preponderance of the evidence that stalking of the petitioner by the respondent has occurred.

- (8) The ex parte civil stalking injunction and civil stalking injunction shall include the following statement: "Attention. This is an official court order. If you disobey this order, the court may find you in contempt. You may also be arrested and prosecuted for the crime of stalking and any other crime you may have committed in disobeying this order."
- (9) The ex parte civil stalking injunction shall be served on the respondent within 90 days from the date it is signed. An ex parte civil stalking injunction is effective upon service. If no hearing is requested in writing by the respondent within 10 days of service of the ex parte civil stalking injunction, the ex parte civil stalking injunction automatically becomes a civil stalking injunction without further notice to the respondent and expires three years from the date of service of the ex parte civil stalking injunction.
- (10) If the respondent requests a hearing after the ten-day period after service, the court shall set a hearing within a reasonable time from the date requested. At the hearing, the burden is on the respondent to show good cause why the civil stalking injunction should be dissolved or modified.
- (11) Within 24 hours after the affidavit or acceptance of service has been returned, excluding weekends and holidays, the clerk of the court from which the ex parte civil stalking injunction was issued shall enter a copy of the ex parte civil stalking injunction and proof of service or acceptance of service in the statewide network for warrants or a similar system.
- (a) The effectiveness of an ex parte civil stalking injunction or civil stalking injunction shall not depend upon its entry in the statewide system and, for enforcement purposes, a certified copy of an ex parte civil stalking injunction or civil stalking injunction is presumed to be a valid existing order of the court for a period of three years from the date of service of the ex parte civil stalking injunction on the respondent.
- (b) Any changes or modifications of the ex parte civil stalking injunction are effective upon service on the respondent. The original ex parte civil stalking injunction continues in effect until service of the changed or modified civil stalking injunction on the respondent.
- (12) Within 24 hours after the affidavit or acceptance of service has been returned, excluding weekends and holidays, the clerk of the court shall enter a copy of the changed or modified civil stalking injunction and proof of service or acceptance of service in the statewide

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network for warrants or a similar system.

- (13) The ex parte civil stalking injunction or civil stalking injunction may be dissolved at any time upon application of the petitioner to the court which granted it.
- (14) The court clerk shall provide, without charge, to the petitioner one certified copy of the injunction issued by the court and one certified copy of the proof of service of the injunction on the respondent. Charges may be imposed by the clerk's office for any additional copies, certified or not certified in accordance with Rule 4-202.08 of the Code of Judicial Administration.
- (15) The remedies provided in this chapter for enforcement of the orders of the court are in addition to any other civil and criminal remedies available. The district court shall hear and decide all matters arising pursuant to this section.
- (16) After a hearing with notice to the affected party, the court may enter an order requiring any party to pay the costs of the action, including reasonable attorney fees.
- (17) This chapter does not apply to protective orders or ex parte protective orders issued pursuant to Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 1, Cohabitant and Dating Partner Abuse Act, or to preliminary injunctions issued pursuant to an action for dissolution of marriage or legal separation.
- Section 9. Section **77-36-1** is amended to read:
- 480 **77-36-1. Definitions.**
- 481 As used in this chapter:
- 482 (1) "Cohabitant" [has the same meaning as] is as defined in Section 78B-7-102.
- 483 (2) "Dating violence" is as defined in Section 78B-7-102.
- 484 [(2)] (3) "Department" means the Department of Public Safety.
- [(3)] (4) "Divorced" means an individual who has obtained a divorce under Title 30, Chapter 3, Divorce.
- 487 [(4)] (5) "Domestic violence" means:
 - (a) any criminal offense involving violence or physical harm or threat of violence or physical harm, or any attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation to commit a criminal offense involving violence or physical harm, when committed by one cohabitant against another["Domestic violence" also means]; or
- 492 (b) commission or attempt to commit, any of the following offenses by one cohabitant

493	against another:	
494	[(a)] (i) aggravated assault, as described in Section 76-5-103;	
495	[(b)] (ii) assault, as described in Section 76-5-102;	
496	[(c)] (<u>iii</u>) criminal homicide, as described in Section 76-5-201;	
497	[(d)] <u>(iv)</u> harassment, as described in Section 76-5-106;	
498	[(e)] (v) electronic communication harassment, as described in Section 76-9-201;	
499	[(f)] (vi) kidnapping, child kidnapping, or aggravated kidnapping, as described in	
500	Sections 76-5-301, 76-5-301.1, and 76-5-302;	
501	[(g)] (vii) mayhem, as described in Section 76-5-105;	
502	[(h)] (viii) sexual offenses, as described in Title 76, Chapter 5, Part 4, Sexual Offenses,	
503	and Title 76, Chapter 5a, Sexual Exploitation of Children;	
504	[(i)] (ix) stalking, as described in Section 76-5-106.5;	
505	$[\frac{1}{2}]$ (x) unlawful detention, as described in Section 76-5-304;	
506	[(k)] (xi) violation of a protective order or ex parte protective order, as described in	
507	Section 76-5-108;	
508	[(1)] (xii) any offense against property described in Title 76, Chapter 6, Part 1, Property	
509	Destruction, Part 2, Burglary and Criminal Trespass, or Part 3, Robbery;	
510	[(m)] (xiii) possession of a deadly weapon with intent to assault, as described in	
511	Section 76-10-507;	
512	[(n)] (xiv) discharge of a firearm from a vehicle, near a highway, or in the direction of	
513	any person, building, or vehicle, as described in Section 76-10-508;	
514	(xv) commission of domestic violence in the presence of a child, as described in	
515	Section 76-5-109.1; or	
516	[(o)] (xvi) disorderly conduct, as defined in Section 76-9-102, if a conviction of	
517	disorderly conduct is the result of a plea agreement in which the defendant was originally	
518	charged with any of the domestic violence offenses otherwise described in this Subsection [(4)]	
519	(5). Conviction of disorderly conduct as a domestic violence offense, in the manner described	
520	in [this] Subsection [$\frac{(4)(0)}{(5)(b)(xvi)}$, does not constitute a misdemeanor crime of domestic	
521	violence under 18 U.S.C. Section 921, and is exempt from the provisions of the federal	
522	Firearms Act, 18 U.S.C. Section 921 et seq.[; or]	
523	(p) child abuse as described in Section 76-5-109.1.	

524	$\left[\frac{(5)}{(6)}\right]$ "Jail release agreement" means a written agreement:
525	(a) specifying and limiting the contact a person arrested for a domestic violence offense
526	may have with an alleged victim or other specified individuals; and
527	(b) specifying other conditions of release from jail as required in Subsection 77-36-2.5
528	(1).
529	[(6)] (7) "Jail release court order" means a written court order:
530	(a) specifying and limiting the contact a person arrested for a domestic violence offense
531	may have with an alleged victim or other specified individuals; and
532	(b) specifying other conditions of release from jail as required in Subsection
533	77-36-2.5(1).
534	[(7)] (8) "Marital status" means married and living together, divorced, separated, or not
535	married.
536	[(8)] (9) "Married and living together" means a man and a woman whose marriage was
537	solemnized under Section 30-1-4 or 30-1-6 and who are living in the same residence.
538	[(9)] (10) "Not married" means any living arrangement other than married and living
539	together, divorced, or separated.
540	[(10)] (11) "Pretrial protective order" means a written order:
541	(a) specifying and limiting the contact a person who has been charged with a domestic
542	violence offense may have with an alleged victim or other specified individuals; and
543	(b) specifying other conditions of release pursuant to Subsection 77-36-2.5(2)(c),
544	Subsection 77-36-2.6(3), or Section 77-36-2.7, pending trial in the criminal case.
545	[(11)] (12) "Sentencing protective order" means a written order of the court as part of
546	sentencing in a domestic violence case that limits the contact a person who has been convicted
547	of a domestic violence offense may have with a victim or other specified individuals pursuant
548	to Sections 77-36-5 and 77-36-5.1.
549	[(12)] (13) "Separated" means a man and a woman who have had their marriage
550	solemnized under Section 30-1-4 or 30-1-6 and who are not living in the same residence.
551	[(13)] <u>(14)</u> "Victim" means <u>:</u>
552	(a) a cohabitant who has been subjected to domestic violence[:]; or
553	(b) a person who has been subjected by a dating partner, as defined in Section
554	78B-7-102, to:

555	(i) abuse, as defined in Section 78B-7-102; or
556	(ii) dating violence.
557	Section 10. Section 77-36-2.1 is amended to read:
558	77-36-2.1. Duties of law enforcement officers Notice to victims.
559	(1) A law enforcement officer who responds to an allegation of domestic violence shall
560	use all reasonable means to protect the victim and prevent further violence, including:
561	(a) taking the action that, in the officer's discretion, is reasonably necessary to provide
562	for the safety of the victim and any family or household member;
563	(b) confiscating the weapon or weapons involved in the alleged domestic violence;
564	(c) making arrangements for the victim and any child to obtain emergency housing or
565	shelter;
566	(d) providing protection while the victim removes essential personal effects;
567	(e) arrange, facilitate, or provide for the victim and any child to obtain medical
568	treatment; and
569	(f) arrange, facilitate, or provide the victim with immediate and adequate notice of the
570	rights of victims and of the remedies and services available to victims of domestic violence, in
571	accordance with Subsection (2).
572	(2) (a) A law enforcement officer shall give written notice to the victim of domestic
573	violence in simple language, describing the rights and remedies available under this chapter,
574	Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 1, Cohabitant and Dating Partner Abuse Act, and Title 78B, Chapter
575	7, Part 2, Child Protective Orders.
576	(b) The written notice shall also include:
577	(i) a statement that the forms needed in order to obtain an order for protection are
578	available from the court clerk's office in the judicial district where the victim resides or is
579	temporarily domiciled;
580	(ii) a list of shelters, services, and resources available in the appropriate community,
581	together with telephone numbers, to assist the victim in accessing any needed assistance; and
582	(iii) the information required to be provided to both parties in accordance with
583	Subsection 77-36-2.5(7).
584	Section 11. Section 77-36-2.4 is amended to read:
585	77-36-24 Violation of protective orders Mandatory arrest Panalties

586	(1) A law enforcement officer shall, without a warrant, arrest an alleged perpetrator
587	whenever there is probable cause to believe that the alleged perpetrator has violated any of the
588	provisions of an ex parte protective order or protective order.
589	(2) (a) Intentional or knowing violation of any ex parte protective order or protective
590	order is a class A misdemeanor, in accordance with Section 76-5-108, except where a greater
591	penalty is provided in this chapter, and, except for an order relating to parties who are dating
592	partners, as defined in Section 78B-7-102, is a domestic violence offense, pursuant to Section
593	77-36-1.
594	(b) Second or subsequent violations of ex parte protective orders or protective orders
595	carry increased penalties, in accordance with Section 77-36-1.1.
596	(3) As used in this section, "ex parte protective order" or "protective order" includes:
597	(a) any protective order or ex parte protective order issued under Title 78B, Chapter 7,
598	Part 1, Cohabitant and Dating Partner Abuse Act;
599	(b) any jail release agreement, jail release court order, pretrial protective order, or
600	sentencing protective order issued under Title 77, Chapter 36, Cohabitant Abuse Procedures
601	Act;
602	(c) any child protective order or ex parte child protective order issued under Title 78B
603	Chapter 7, Part 2, Child Protective Orders; or
604	(d) a foreign protection order enforceable under Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 3, Uniform
605	Interstate Enforcement of Domestic Violence Protection Orders Act.
606	Section 12. Section 77-36-2.7 is amended to read:
607	77-36-2.7. Dismissal Diversion prohibited Plea in abeyance Pretrial
608	protective order pending trial.
609	(1) Because of the serious nature of domestic violence, the court, in domestic violence
610	actions:
611	(a) may not dismiss any charge or delay disposition because of concurrent divorce or
612	other civil proceedings;
613	(b) may not require proof that either party is seeking a dissolution of marriage before
614	instigation of criminal proceedings;

(c) shall waive any requirement that the victim's location be disclosed other than to the

defendant's attorney and order the defendant's attorney not to disclose the victim's location to

617 the client;

- (d) shall identify, on the docket sheets, the criminal actions arising from acts of domestic violence;
 - (e) may dismiss a charge on stipulation of the prosecutor and the victim; and
- (f) may hold a plea in abeyance, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 2a, Pleas in Abeyance, making treatment or any other requirement for the defendant a condition of that status.
- (2) When the court holds a plea in abeyance in accordance with Subsection (1)(f), the case against a perpetrator of domestic violence may be dismissed only if the perpetrator successfully completes all conditions imposed by the court. If the defendant fails to complete any condition imposed by the court under Subsection (1)(f), the court may accept the defendant's plea.
- (3) (a) Because of the likelihood of repeated violence directed at those who have been victims of domestic violence <u>or dating violence</u> in the past, when any defendant is charged with a crime involving domestic violence, <u>or with violating a protective order relating to dating partners</u>, as defined in Section 78B-7-102, the court may, during any court hearing where the defendant is present, issue a pretrial protective order, pending trial:
- (i) enjoining the defendant from threatening to commit or committing acts of domestic violence, dating violence, or abuse against the victim and any designated family or household member;
- (ii) prohibiting the defendant from harassing, telephoning, contacting, or otherwise communicating with the victim, directly or indirectly;
- (iii) removing and excluding the defendant from the victim's residence and the premises of the residence;
- (iv) ordering the defendant to stay away from the residence, school, place of employment of the victim, and the premises of any of these, or any specified place frequented by the victim and any designated family member; and
- (v) ordering any other relief that the court considers necessary to protect and provide for the safety of the victim and any designated family or household member.
 - (b) Violation of an order issued pursuant to this section is punishable as follows:
- (i) if the original arrest or subsequent charge filed is a felony, an offense under this

section is a third degree felony; and

- (ii) if the original arrest or subsequent charge filed is a misdemeanor, an offense under this section is a class A misdemeanor.
- (c) (i) The court shall provide the victim with a certified copy of any pretrial protective order that has been issued if the victim can be located with reasonable effort.
- (ii) The court shall also transmit the pretrial protective order to the statewide domestic violence network.
- (d) Issuance of a pretrial or sentencing protective order supercedes a written jail release agreement or a written jail release court order issued by the court at the time of arrest.
- (4) (a) When a court dismisses criminal charges or a prosecutor moves to dismiss charges against a defendant accused of a domestic violence offense, the specific reasons for dismissal shall be recorded in the court file and made a part of the statewide domestic violence network described in Section 78B-7-113.
 - (b) The court shall transmit the dismissal to the statewide domestic violence network.
- (c) Any pretrial protective orders, including jail release court orders and jail release agreements, related to the dismissed domestic violence criminal charge shall also be dismissed.
- (5) When the privilege of confidential communication between spouses, or the testimonial privilege of spouses is invoked in any criminal proceeding in which a spouse is the victim of an alleged domestic violence offense, the victim shall be considered to be an unavailable witness under the Utah Rules of Evidence.
 - (6) The court may not approve diversion for a perpetrator of domestic violence.
 - Section 13. Section **77-36-5.1** is amended to read:

77-36-5.1. Conditions of probation for person convicted of domestic violence offense.

- (1) Before any perpetrator who has been convicted of a domestic violence offense, or of violating a protective order relating to dating partners, as defined in Section 78B-7-102, may be placed on probation, the court shall consider the safety and protection of the victim and any member of the victim's family or household.
- (2) The court may condition probation or a plea in abeyance on the perpetrator's compliance with one or more orders of the court, which may include a sentencing protective order:

- (a) enjoining the perpetrator from threatening to commit or committing acts of domestic violence <u>or dating violence</u> against the victim or other family or household member;
- (b) prohibiting the perpetrator from harassing, telephoning, contacting, or otherwise communicating with the victim, directly or indirectly;
- (c) requiring the perpetrator to stay away from the victim's residence, school, place of employment, and the premises of any of these, or a specified place frequented regularly by the victim or any designated family or household member;
- (d) prohibiting the perpetrator from possessing or consuming alcohol or controlled substances;
- (e) prohibiting the perpetrator from purchasing, using, or possessing a firearm or other specified weapon;
- (f) directing the perpetrator to surrender any weapons the perpetrator owns or possesses;
- (g) directing the perpetrator to participate in and complete, to the satisfaction of the court, a program of intervention for perpetrators, treatment for alcohol or substance abuse, or psychiatric or psychological treatment;
 - (h) directing the perpetrator to pay restitution to the victim; and
- (i) imposing any other condition necessary to protect the victim and any other designated family or household member or to rehabilitate the perpetrator.
- (3) The perpetrator is responsible for the costs of any condition of probation, according to the perpetrator's ability to pay.
- (4) (a) Adult Probation and Parole, or other provider, shall immediately report to the court and notify the victim of any offense involving domestic violence committed by the perpetrator, the perpetrator's failure to comply with any condition imposed by the court, and any violation of any sentencing criminal protective order issued by the court.
- (b) Notification of the victim under Subsection (4)(a) shall consist of a good faith reasonable effort to provide prompt notification, including mailing a copy of the notification to the last-known address of the victim.
- (5) The court shall transmit all dismissals, terminations, and expirations of pretrial and sentencing criminal protective orders issued by the court to the statewide domestic violence network.

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710	Section 14. Section 77-36-6 is amended to read:
711	77-36-6. Enforcement of orders.
712	(1) Each law enforcement agency in this state shall enforce all orders of the court
713	issued pursuant to the requirements and procedures described in this chapter, and shall enforce:
714	(a) all protective orders and ex parte protective orders issued pursuant to Title 78B,
715	Chapter 7, Part 1, Cohabitant and Dating Partner Abuse Act;
716	(b) jail release agreements, jail release court orders, pretrial protective orders, and
717	sentencing protective orders; and
718	(c) all foreign protection orders enforceable under Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 3,
719	Uniform Interstate Enforcement of Domestic Violence Protection Orders Act.
720	(2) The requirements of this section apply statewide, regardless of the jurisdiction in
721	which the order was issued or the location of the victim or the perpetrator.
722	Section 15. Section 78A-6-103 is amended to read:
723	78A-6-103. Jurisdiction of juvenile court Original Exclusive.
724	(1) Except as otherwise provided by law, the juvenile court has exclusive original
725	jurisdiction in proceedings concerning:
726	(a) a child who has violated any federal, state, or local law or municipal ordinance or a
727	person younger than 21 years of age who has violated any law or ordinance before becoming
728	18 years of age, regardless of where the violation occurred, excluding offenses in Subsection
729	78A-7-106(2);
730	(b) a person 21 years of age or older who has failed or refused to comply with an order
731	of the juvenile court to pay a fine or restitution, if the order was imposed prior to the person's
732	21st birthday; however, the continuing jurisdiction is limited to causing compliance with
733	existing orders;
734	(c) a child who is an abused child, neglected child, or dependent child, as those terms
735	are defined in Section 78A-6-105;
736	(d) a protective order for a child pursuant to the provisions of Title 78B, Chapter 7,
737	Part 2, Child Protective Orders, which the juvenile court may transfer to the district court if the
738	juvenile court has entered an ex parte protective order and finds that:
739	(i) the petitioner and the respondent are the natural parent, adoptive parent, or step
740	parent of the child who is the object of the petition;

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- 741 (ii) the district court has a petition pending or an order related to custody or parent-time 742 entered under Title 30, Chapter 3, Divorce, Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 1, Cohabitant and Dating 743 Partner Abuse Act, or Title 78B, Chapter 15, Utah Uniform Parentage Act, in which the 744 petitioner and the respondent are parties; and 745 (iii) the best interests of the child will be better served in the district court; 746 (e) appointment of a guardian of the person or other guardian of a minor who comes 747 within the court's jurisdiction under other provisions of this section; 748 (f) the emancipation of a minor in accordance with Part 8, Emancipation; 749 (g) the termination of the legal parent-child relationship in accordance with Part 5, 750 Termination of Parental Rights Act, including termination of residual parental rights and 751 duties; 752 (h) the treatment or commitment of a mentally retarded minor; 753 (i) a minor who is a habitual truant from school; 754 (j) the judicial consent to the marriage of a child under age 16 upon a determination of 755 voluntariness or where otherwise required by law, employment, or enlistment of a child when 756 consent is required by law; 757 (k) any parent or parents of a child committed to a secure youth corrections facility, to 758 order, at the discretion of the court and on the recommendation of a secure facility, the parent 759 or parents of a child committed to a secure facility for a custodial term, to undergo group 760 rehabilitation therapy under the direction of a secure facility therapist, who has supervision of 761 that parent's or parents' child, or any other therapist the court may direct, for a period directed 762 by the court as recommended by a secure facility; 763 (1) a minor under Title 55, Chapter 12, Interstate Compact for Juveniles; 764 (m) the treatment or commitment of a mentally ill child. The court may commit a child 765 to the physical custody of a local mental health authority in accordance with the procedures and 766 requirements of Title 62A, Chapter 15, Part 7, Commitment of Persons Under Age 18 to 767 Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health, but not directly to the Utah State Hospital;
 - (n) the commitment of a child in accordance with Section 62A-15-301;
 - (o) de novo review of final agency actions resulting from an informal adjudicative proceeding as provided in Section 63G-4-402; and
 - (p) adoptions conducted in accordance with the procedures described in Title 78B,

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772	Chapter 6, Part 1, Utah Adoption Act, when the juvenile court has previously entered an order
773	terminating the rights of a parent and finds that adoption is in the best interest of the child.
774	(2) Notwithstanding Section 78A-7-106 and Subsection 78A-5-102(9), the juvenile
775	court has exclusive jurisdiction over the following offenses committed by a child:
776	(a) Title 41, Chapter 6a, Part 5, Driving Under the Influence and Reckless Driving;
777	(b) Section 73-18-12, reckless operation; and
778	(c) class B and C misdemeanors, infractions, or violations of ordinances that are part of
779	a single criminal episode filed in a petition that contains an offense over which the court has
780	jurisdiction.
781	(3) The juvenile court has jurisdiction over an ungovernable or runaway child who is
782	referred to it by the Division of Child and Family Services or by public or private agencies that
783	contract with the division to provide services to that child where, despite earnest and persistent
784	efforts by the division or agency, the child has demonstrated that the child:
785	(a) is beyond the control of the child's parent, guardian, lawful custodian, or school
786	authorities to the extent that the child's behavior or condition endangers the child's own welfare
787	or the welfare of others; or
788	(b) has run away from home.
789	(4) This section does not restrict the right of access to the juvenile court by private
790	agencies or other persons.
791	(5) The juvenile court has jurisdiction of all magistrate functions relative to cases
792	arising under Section 78A-6-702.
793	(6) The juvenile court has jurisdiction to make a finding of substantiated,
794	unsubstantiated, or without merit, in accordance with Section 78A-6-323.
795	(7) The juvenile court has jurisdiction of matters transferred to it by another trial court
796	pursuant to Subsection 78A-7-106(7).
797	Section 16. Section 78B-7-101 is amended to read:
798	Part 1. Cohabitant and Dating Partner Abuse Act
799	78B-7-101. Title.
800	This part is known [and may be cited] as the "Cohabitant and Dating Partner Abuse

Section 17. Section **78B-7-102** is amended to read:

803	78B-7-102. Definitions.
804	As used in this chapter:
805	(1) "Abuse" means intentionally or knowingly:
806	(a) causing or attempting to cause [a cohabitant] physical harm to a person; or
807	[intentionally or knowingly]
808	(b) placing a [cohabitant] person in reasonable fear of imminent physical harm.
809	(2) (a) "Cohabitant" means a person who:
810	(i) (A) is an emancipated person pursuant to Section 15-2-1 or [a person who] Title
811	78A, Chapter 6, Part 8, Emancipation; or
812	(B) is 16 years of age or older [who:]; and
813	[(a)] (ii) (A) is or was a spouse of the other party;
814	[(b)] (B) is or was living as if a spouse of the other party;
815	[(e)] (C) is related by blood or marriage to the other party;
816	[(d)] (D) has one or more children in common with the other party;
817	[(e)] (E) is the biological parent of the other party's unborn child; or
818	[(f)] (F) resides or has resided in the same residence as the other party.
819	[(3)] (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (2)(a), "cohabitant" does not include:
820	[(a)] (i) the relationship of [natural] biological parent, adoptive parent, or step-parent to
821	a minor; or
822	[(b)] (ii) the relationship between [natural] biological, adoptive, step, or foster siblings
823	who are under 18 years of age.
824	[(4)] <u>(3)</u> "Court clerk" means a district court clerk.
825	(4) "Dating partner" means a person who:
826	(a) (i) is an emancipated person pursuant to Section 15-2-1 or Title 78A, Chapter 6,
827	Part 8, Emancipation; or
828	(ii) is 18 years of age or older;
829	(b) is, or has been, in a dating relationship with the other party; and
830	(c) is not, and has not been, a cohabitant of the other party.
831	(5) (a) "Dating relationship" means a social relationship of a romantic or intimate
832	nature, regardless of whether the relationship involves sexual intimacy.
833	(b) "Dating relationship" does not include:

834	(i) a casual relationship; or
835	(ii) casual fraternization between two individuals in a business, educational, or social
836	context.
837	(c) In determining, based on a totality of the circumstances, whether a dating
838	relationship exists:
839	(i) all relevant factors should be considered, including:
840	(A) whether the parties developed a minimal social interpersonal bonding, over and
841	above a mere casual fraternization;
842	(B) the length of the parties' relationship;
843	(C) the nature and frequency of the parties' interactions;
844	(D) the ongoing expectations of the parties, individually or jointly, with respect to the
845	relationship;
846	(E) whether, by statement or conduct, the parties demonstrated an affirmation of their
847	relationship before others; and
848	(F) whether other reasons exist that support or detract from a finding that a dating
849	relationship exists; and
850	(ii) it is not necessary that all, or a particular number, of the factors described in
851	Subsection (5)(c)(i) are found to support the existence of a dating relationship.
852	(6) "Dating violence" means:
853	(a) any criminal offense involving violence or physical harm or threat of violence or
854	physical harm, or any attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation to commit a criminal offense
855	involving violence or physical harm, when committed by a person against a dating partner of
856	the person; or
857	(b) the commission or attempt to commit, any of the following offenses by a person
858	against a dating partner of the person:
859	(i) aggravated assault, as described in Section 76-5-103;
860	(ii) assault, as described in Section 76-5-102;
861	(iii) criminal homicide, as described in Section 76-5-201;
862	(iv) harassment, as described in Section 76-5-106;
863	(v) electronic communication harassment, as described in Section 76-9-201;
864	(vi) kidnaping, child kidnaping, or aggravated kidnaping, as described in Sections

865	76-5-301, 76-5-301.1, and 76-5-302;
866	(vii) mayhem, as described in Section 76-5-105;
867	(viii) sexual offenses, as described in Title 76, Chapter 5, Part 4, Sexual Offenses, and
868	Title 76, Chapter 5a, Sexual Exploitation of Children;
869	(ix) stalking, as described in Section 76-5-106.5;
870	(x) unlawful detention, as described in Section 76-5-304;
871	(xi) violation of a protective order or ex parte protective order, as described in Section
872	<u>76-5-108;</u>
873	(xii) any offense against property described in Title 76, Chapter 6, Part 1, Property
874	Destruction, Part 2, Burglary and Criminal Trespass, or Part 3, Robbery;
875	(xiii) possession of a deadly weapon with intent to assault, as described in Section
876	<u>76-10-507; or</u>
877	(xiv) a felony offense under Section 76-10-508, discharge of a firearm from a vehicle,
878	near a highway, or in the direction of any person, building, or vehicle.
879	[(5)] (7) "Domestic violence" means the same as that term is defined in Section
880	77-36-1.
881	[(6)] (8) "Ex parte protective order" means an order issued without notice to the
882	defendant in accordance with this chapter.
883	[(7)] (9) "Foreign protection order" is as defined in Section 78B-7-302.
884	[(8)] (10) "Law enforcement unit" or "law enforcement agency" means any public
885	agency having general police power and charged with making arrests in connection with
886	enforcement of the criminal statutes and ordinances of this state or any political subdivision.
887	[(9)] (11) "Peace officer" means those persons specified in Title 53, Chapter 13, Peace
888	Officer Classifications.
889	[(10)] (12) "Protective order" means an order issued pursuant to this chapter
890	subsequent to a hearing on the petition, of which the petitioner and respondent have been given
891	notice in accordance with this chapter.
892	Section 18. Section 78B-7-103 is amended to read:
893	78B-7-103. Abuse or danger of abuse Protective orders.
894	(1) (a) Any [cohabitant who has been subjected to abuse or domestic violence, or to
895	whom there is a substantial likelihood of abuse or domestic violence,] person may seek an ex

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896	parte protective order or a protective order in accordance with this chapter, if the person is
897	subjected to, or there is a substantial likelihood that the person will be subjected to:
898	(i) abuse by a cohabitant or dating partner of the person;
899	(ii) domestic violence by a cohabitant of the person; or
900	(iii) dating violence by a dating partner of the person.
901	(b) A person may seek an order described in Subsection (1)(a), whether or not that
902	person <u>:</u>
903	(i) has left the residence or the premises in an effort to avoid further abuse[-]; or
904	(ii) has taken other action to end the relationship.
905	(2) A petition for a protective order may be filed under this chapter regardless of
906	whether an action for divorce between the parties is pending.
907	(3) A petition seeking a protective order may not be withdrawn without approval of the
908	court.
909	Section 19. Section 78B-7-105 is amended to read:
910	78B-7-105. Forms for petitions and protective orders Assistance.
911	(1) (a) The offices of the court clerk shall provide forms and nonlegal assistance to
912	persons seeking to proceed under this chapter.
913	(b) The Administrative Office of the Courts shall develop and adopt uniform forms for
914	petitions and orders for protection in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. That
915	office shall provide the forms to the clerk of each court authorized to issue protective orders.
916	The forms shall include:
917	(i) a statement notifying the petitioner for an ex parte protective order that knowing
918	falsification of any statement or information provided for the purpose of obtaining a protective
919	order may subject the petitioner to felony prosecution;
920	(ii) a separate portion of the form for those provisions, the violation of which is a
921	criminal offense, and a separate portion for those provisions, the violation of which is a civil
922	violation, as provided in Subsection 78B-7-106[(5)](6);
923	(iii) language in the criminal provision portion stating violation of any criminal
924	provision is a class A misdemeanor, and language in the civil portion stating violation of or
925	failure to comply with a civil provision is subject to contempt proceedings;
926	(iv) a space for information the petitioner is able to provide to facilitate identification

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of the respondent, such as Social Security number, driver license number, date of birth, address, telephone number, and physical description;

- (v) a space for the petitioner to request a specific period of time for the civil provisions to be in effect, not to exceed 150 days, unless the petitioner provides in writing the reason for the requested extension of the length of time beyond 150 days;
- (vi) a statement advising the petitioner that when a minor child is included in an ex parte protective order or a protective order, as part of either the criminal or the civil portion of the order, the petitioner may provide a copy of the order to the principal of the school where the child attends; and
- (vii) a statement advising the petitioner that if the respondent fails to return custody of a minor child to the petitioner as ordered in a protective order, the petitioner may obtain from the court a writ of assistance.
- (2) If the person seeking to proceed under this chapter is not represented by an attorney, it is the responsibility of the court clerk's office to provide:
 - (a) the forms adopted pursuant to Subsection (1);
- (b) all other forms required to petition for an order for protection including, but not limited to, forms for service:
- (c) clerical assistance in filling out the forms and filing the petition, in accordance with Subsection (1)(a). A court clerk's office may designate any other entity, agency, or person to provide that service, but the court clerk's office is responsible to see that the service is provided;
 - (d) information regarding the means available for the service of process;
- (e) a list of legal service organizations that may represent the petitioner in an action brought under this chapter, together with the telephone numbers of those organizations; and
- (f) written information regarding the procedure for transporting a jailed or imprisoned respondent to the protective order hearing, including an explanation of the use of transportation order forms when necessary.
- 954 (3) No charges may be imposed by a court clerk, constable, or law enforcement agency for:
 - (a) filing a petition under this chapter;
- 957 (b) obtaining an exparte protective order;

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- 958 (c) obtaining copies, either certified or not certified, necessary for service or delivery to 959 law enforcement officials; or 960 (d) fees for service of a petition, ex parte protective order, or protective order. 961 (4) A petition for an order of protection shall be in writing and verified. 962 (5) (a) All orders for protection shall be issued in the form adopted by the 963 Administrative Office of the Courts pursuant to Subsection (1). 964 (b) Each protective order issued, except orders issued ex parte, shall include the 965 following language: 966 "Respondent was afforded both notice and opportunity to be heard in the hearing that 967 gave rise to this order. Pursuant to the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, P.L. 103-322, 968 108 Stat. 1796, 18 U.S.C.A. 2265, this order is valid in all the United States, the District of 969 Columbia, tribal lands, and United States territories. This order complies with the Uniform 970 Interstate Enforcement of Domestic Violence Protection Orders Act." 971 (c) Each protective order issued in accordance with this part, including protective 972 orders issued ex parte, shall include the following language: 973 "NOTICE TO PETITIONER: The court may amend or dismiss a protective order after 974 one year if it finds that the basis for the issuance of the protective order no longer exists and the 975 petitioner has repeatedly acted in contravention of the protective order provisions to 976 intentionally or knowingly induce the respondent to violate the protective order, demonstrating 977 to the court that the petitioner no longer has a reasonable fear of the respondent." 978 Section 20. Section **78B-7-106** is amended to read: 979 78B-7-106. Protective orders -- Ex parte protective orders -- Modification of 980 orders -- Service of process -- Duties of the court. 981 (1) If it appears from a petition for an order for protection or a petition to modify an 982 order for protection that domestic violence, dating violence, or abuse has occurred or a 983 modification of an order for protection is required, a court may: 984 (a) without notice, immediately issue an order for protection ex parte or modify an 985 order for protection ex parte as [it] the court considers necessary to protect the petitioner and
 - (b) upon notice, issue an order for protection or modify an order after a hearing, whether or not the respondent appears.

all parties named to be protected in the petition; or

989	(2) A court may grant the following relief without notice in an order for protection or a
990	modification issued ex parte:
991	(a) enjoin the respondent from threatening to commit or committing domestic violence
992	dating violence, or abuse against the petitioner and any designated family or household
993	member;
994	(b) prohibit the respondent from harassing, telephoning, contacting, or otherwise
995	communicating with the petitioner, directly or indirectly;
996	(c) order that the respondent:
997	(i) is excluded and must stay away from the petitioner's residence and its premises[;
998	and order the respondent to stay away from the residence, school, or place of employment of
999	the petitioner, and the premises of any of these, or];
1000	(ii) except as provided in Subsection (4), stay away from the petitioner's:
1001	(A) school and the school's premises; and
1002	(B) place of employment and its premises; and
1003	(iii) stay away from any specified place frequented by the petitioner [and] or any
1004	designated family or household member;
1005	(d) prohibit the respondent from being within a specified distance of the petitioner;
1006	[(d)] (e) upon finding that the respondent's use or possession of a weapon may pose a
1007	serious threat of harm to the petitioner, prohibit the respondent from purchasing, using, or
1008	possessing a firearm or other weapon specified by the court;
1009	[(e)] (f) order possession and use of an automobile and other essential personal effects,
1010	and direct the appropriate law enforcement officer to accompany the petitioner to the residence
1011	of the parties to ensure that the petitioner is safely restored to possession of the residence,
1012	automobile, and other essential personal effects, or to supervise the petitioner's or respondent's
1013	removal of personal belongings;
1014	[(f)] (g) if the petitioner is a cohabitant of the other party, grant to the petitioner
1015	temporary custody of any minor children of the parties;
1016	[(g)] (h) order the appointment of the office of the Guardian Ad Litem to represent the
1017	interests of any minor children of the parties, if abuse or neglect of the minor children is
1018	alleged, or appoint a private guardian ad litem, if appropriate, pursuant to Section 78A-2-228;
1019	[(h)] (i) order any further relief that the court considers necessary to provide for the

1020	safety and welfare of the petitioner and any designated family or household member; and
1021	[(i)] (j) if [the] a petition by a cohabitant requests child support or spousal support, at
1022	the hearing on the petition order both parties to provide verification of current income,
1023	including year-to-date pay stubs or employer statements of year-to-date or other period of
1024	earnings, as specified by the court, and complete copies of tax returns from at least the most
1025	recent year.
1026	(3) A court may grant the following relief in an order for protection or a modification
1027	of an order after notice and hearing, whether or not the respondent appears:
1028	(a) grant the relief described in Subsection (2); and
1029	(b) if the petitioner is a cohabitant of the other party, specify arrangements for
1030	parent-time of any minor child by the respondent and require supervision of that parent-time by
1031	a third party or deny parent-time if necessary to protect the safety of the petitioner or child.
1032	(4) If the petitioner is a dating partner of the respondent, a court:
1033	(a) may not enter an order under Subsection (2)(c)(ii) that:
1034	(i) excludes the respondent from the petitioner's school if the respondent attends the
1035	same school as the petitioner; or
1036	(ii) excludes the respondent from the petitioner's place of employment if the
1037	respondent is employed at the same location as the petitioner; and
1038	(b) may enter an order governing the respondent's conduct at a location described in
1039	Subsection (4)(a).
1040	[(4)] (5) Following the protective order hearing, the court shall:
1041	(a) clearly distinguish whether the order relates to cohabitants or dating partners;
1042	[(a)] (b) as soon as possible, deliver the order to the county sheriff for service of
1043	process;
1044	[(b)] (c) make reasonable efforts to ensure that the order for protection is understood by
1045	the petitioner, and the respondent, if present;
1046	[(c)] (d) transmit electronically, by the end of the next business day after the order is
1047	issued, a copy of the order for protection to the local law enforcement agency or agencies
1048	designated by the petitioner; and
1049	[(d)] (e) transmit a copy of the order to the statewide domestic violence network
1050	described in Section 78B-7-113.

1051	[(5)] (6) (a) Each protective order shall include two separate portions, one for
1052	provisions, the violation of which are criminal offenses, and one for provisions, the violation of
1053	which are civil violations, as follows:
1054	(i) criminal offenses are those under Subsections (2)(a) through [(e)] (f), and under
1055	Subsection (3)(a) as it refers to Subsections (2)(a) through [(e)] <u>(f)</u> ; and
1056	(ii) civil offenses are those under Subsections (2)[(f), (h), and (i)](g), (i), and (j), and
1057	Subsection (3)(a) as it refers to Subsections (2)[(f), (h), and (i)](g), (i), and (j).
1058	(b) The criminal provision portion shall include a statement that violation of any
1059	criminal provision is a class A misdemeanor.
1060	(c) The civil provision portion shall include a notice that violation of or failure to
1061	comply with a civil provision is subject to contempt proceedings.
1062	$[\frac{(6)}{2}]$ The protective order shall include:
1063	(a) a designation of a specific date, determined by the court, when the civil portion of
1064	the protective order either expires or is scheduled for review by the court, which date may not
1065	exceed 150 days after the date the order is issued, unless the court indicates on the record the
1066	reason for setting a date beyond 150 days;
1067	(b) information the petitioner is able to provide to facilitate identification of the
1068	respondent, such as Social Security number, driver license number, date of birth, address,
1069	telephone number, and physical description; and
1070	(c) except for a protective order described in Subsection (8)(a), a statement advising
1071	the petitioner that:
1072	(i) after two years from the date of issuance of the protective order, a hearing may be
1073	held to dismiss the criminal portion of the protective order;
1074	(ii) the petitioner should, within the 30 days prior to the end of the two-year period,
1075	advise the court of the petitioner's current address for notice of any hearing; and
1076	(iii) the address provided by the petitioner will not be made available to the respondent.
1077	(8) (a) A protective order issued under this section between parties who are dating
1078	partners shall expire 180 days after the day on which the order is issued, unless, subject to
1079	Subsection (8)(b), the court indicates on the record the reason for setting an expiration date that
1080	is more than 180 days after the day on which the order is issued.

(b) A court may not set an expiration date for a protective order described in

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1082 Subsection (8)(a) that is more than two years after the day on which the order is issued. 1083 [(7)] (9) Child support and spouse support orders issued as part of a protective order 1084 are subject to mandatory income withholding under Title 62A, Chapter 11, Part 4, Income 1085 Withholding in IV-D Cases, and Title 62A, Chapter 11, Part 5, Income Withholding in Non 1086 IV-D Cases, except when the protective order is issued ex parte. 1087 [(8)] (10) (a) The county sheriff that receives the order from the court, pursuant to 1088 Subsection [(5)] (6)(a), shall provide expedited service for orders for protection issued in 1089 accordance with this chapter, and shall transmit verification of service of process, when the 1090 order has been served, to the statewide domestic violence network described in Section 1091 78B-7-113. 1092 (b) This section does not prohibit any law enforcement agency from providing service 1093 of process if that law enforcement agency: 1094 (i) has contact with the respondent and service by that law enforcement agency is 1095 possible; or (ii) determines that under the circumstances, providing service of process on the 1096 1097 respondent is in the best interests of the petitioner. 1098 [(9)] (11) (a) When an order is served on a respondent in a jail or other holding facility, 1099 the law enforcement agency managing the facility shall make a reasonable effort to provide 1100 notice to the petitioner at the time the respondent is released from incarceration. 1101 (b) Notification of the petitioner shall consist of a good faith reasonable effort to 1102 provide notification, including mailing a copy of the notification to the last-known address of 1103 the victim. 1104 [(10)] (12) A court may modify or vacate an order of protection or any provisions in 1105 the order after notice and hearing, except that the criminal provisions of a protective order may 1106 not be vacated within two years of issuance unless the petitioner: 1107 (a) is personally served with notice of the hearing as provided in Rules 4 and 5, Utah 1108 Rules of Civil Procedure, and the petitioner personally appears before the court and gives

[(11)] (13) A protective order may be modified without a showing of substantial and

(b) submits a verified affidavit, stating agreement to the vacation of the criminal

specific consent to the vacation of the criminal provisions of the protective order; or

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1113	material change in circumstances.
1114	[(12)] (14) Insofar as the provisions of this chapter are more specific than the Utah
1115	Rules of Civil Procedure, regarding protective orders, the provisions of this chapter govern.
1116	Section 21. Section 78B-7-107 is amended to read:
1117	78B-7-107. Hearings on ex parte orders.
1118	(1) (a) When a court issues an ex parte protective order the court shall set a date for a
1119	hearing on the petition within 20 days after the ex parte order is issued.
1120	(b) If at [that] the hearing described in Subsection (1)(a) the court does not issue a
1121	protective order, the ex parte protective order shall expire, unless it is otherwise extended by
1122	the court. Extensions beyond the 20-day period may not by granted unless:
1123	(i) the petitioner is unable to be present at the hearing;
1124	(ii) the respondent has not been served;
1125	(iii) the respondent has had the opportunity to present a defense at the hearing;
1126	(iv) the respondent requests that the ex parte order be extended; or
1127	(v) exigent circumstances exist.
1128	(c) Under no circumstances may an ex parte order be extended beyond 180 days from
1129	the date of initial issuance.
1130	(d) If at [that] the hearing described in Subsection (1)(a) the court issues a protective
1131	order, the ex parte protective order remains in effect until service of process of the protective
1132	order is completed.
1133	(e) A protective order issued after notice and a hearing is effective until further order of
1134	the court.
1135	(f) If the hearing on the petition is heard by a commissioner, either the petitioner or
1136	respondent may file an objection within 10 days of the entry of the recommended order and the
1137	assigned judge shall hold a hearing within 20 days of the filing of the objection.
1138	(2) Upon a hearing under this section, the court may grant any of the relief described in
1139	Section 78B-7-106.
1140	(3) When a court denies a petition for an ex parte protective order or a petition to
1141	modify an order for protection ex parte, upon the request of the petitioner, the court shall set

(4) (a) A respondent who has been served with an ex parte protective order may seek to

the matter for hearing and notify the petitioner and serve the respondent.

1144	vacate the ex parte protective order prior to the hearing scheduled pursuant to Subsection (1)(a)
1145	by filing a verified motion to vacate.
1146	(b) The [respondent's verified] motion [to vacate] described in Subsection (4)(a) and a
1147	notice of hearing on that motion shall be personally served on the petitioner at least two days
1148	prior to the hearing on the motion to vacate.
1149	Section 22. Section 78B-7-108 is amended to read:
1150	78B-7-108. Mutual protective orders prohibited.
1151	(1) A court may not grant a mutual order or mutual orders for protection to opposing
1152	parties, unless each party:
1153	(a) has filed an independent petition against the other for a protective order, and both
1154	petitions have been served;
1155	(b) makes a showing at a due process protective order hearing of [abuse or] domestic
1156	violence, dating violence, or abuse committed by the other party; and
1157	(c) demonstrates that the [abuse or] domestic violence, dating violence, or abuse did
1158	not occur in self-defense.
1159	(2) If the court issues mutual protective orders, the circumstances justifying those
1160	orders shall be documented in the case file.
1161	Section 23. Section 78B-7-110 is amended to read:
1162	78B-7-110. No denial of relief solely because of lapse of time.
1163	The court may not deny a petitioner relief requested pursuant to this chapter solely
1164	because of a lapse of time between an act of domestic violence, dating violence, or abuse and
1165	the filing of the petition for an order of protection.
1166	Section 24. Section 78B-19-107 is amended to read:
1167	78B-19-107. Emergency orders.
1168	During a collaborative law process, a court may issue emergency orders, including
1169	protective orders in accordance with Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 1, Cohabitant and Dating
1170	Partner Abuse Act, or Part 2, Child Protective Orders, to protect the health, safety, welfare, or
1171	interest of a party or member of a party's household.
1172	Section 25. Effective date.
1173	This bill takes effect on September 1, 2011.

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