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**A BILL**

To amend sections 109.42, 2151.23, 2919.27, and 3113.33 and to enact section 3113.311 of the Revised Code to authorize the issuance of dating violence protection orders with respect to conduct directed at a petitioner alleging dating violence, to provide access to domestic violence shelters for victims of dating violence, and to require the Attorney General's victim's bill of rights pamphlet to include a notice that a petitioner alleging dating violence has the right to petition for a civil protection order.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That sections 109.42, 2151.23, 2919.27, and 3113.33 be amended and section 3113.311 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

**Sec. 109.42.** (A) The attorney general shall prepare and have printed a pamphlet that contains a compilation of all

statutes relative to victim's rights in which the attorney 17  
general lists and explains the statutes in the form of a 18  
victim's bill of rights. The attorney general shall distribute 19  
the pamphlet to all sheriffs, marshals, municipal corporation 20  
and township police departments, constables, and other law 21  
enforcement agencies, to all prosecuting attorneys, city 22  
directors of law, village solicitors, and other similar chief 23  
legal officers of municipal corporations, and to organizations 24  
that represent or provide services for victims of crime. The 25  
victim's bill of rights set forth in the pamphlet shall contain 26  
a description of all of the rights of victims that are provided 27  
for in Chapter 2930. or in any other section of the Revised Code 28  
and shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following: 29

(1) The right of a victim or a victim's representative to 30  
attend a proceeding before a grand jury, in a juvenile case, or 31  
in a criminal case pursuant to a subpoena without being 32  
discharged from the victim's or representative's employment, 33  
having the victim's or representative's employment terminated, 34  
having the victim's or representative's pay decreased or 35  
withheld, or otherwise being punished, penalized, or threatened 36  
as a result of time lost from regular employment because of the 37  
victim's or representative's attendance at the proceeding 38  
pursuant to the subpoena, as set forth in section 2151.211, 39  
2930.18, 2939.121, or 2945.451 of the Revised Code; 40

(2) The potential availability pursuant to section 41  
2151.359 or 2152.61 of the Revised Code of a forfeited 42  
recognizance to pay damages caused by a child when the 43  
delinquency of the child or child's violation of probation or 44  
community control is found to be proximately caused by the 45  
failure of the child's parent or guardian to subject the child 46  
to reasonable parental authority or to faithfully discharge the 47

conditions of probation or community control; 48

(3) The availability of awards of reparations pursuant to 49  
sections 2743.51 to 2743.72 of the Revised Code for injuries 50  
caused by criminal offenses; 51

(4) The right of the victim in certain criminal or 52  
juvenile cases or a victim's representative to receive, pursuant 53  
to section 2930.06 of the Revised Code, notice of the date, 54  
time, and place of the trial or delinquency proceeding in the 55  
case or, if there will not be a trial or delinquency proceeding, 56  
information from the prosecutor, as defined in section 2930.01 57  
of the Revised Code, regarding the disposition of the case; 58

(5) The right of the victim in certain criminal or 59  
juvenile cases or a victim's representative to receive, pursuant 60  
to section 2930.04, 2930.05, or 2930.06 of the Revised Code, 61  
notice of the name of the person charged with the violation, the 62  
case or docket number assigned to the charge, and a telephone 63  
number or numbers that can be called to obtain information about 64  
the disposition of the case; 65

(6) The right of the victim in certain criminal or 66  
juvenile cases or of the victim's representative pursuant to 67  
section 2930.13 or 2930.14 of the Revised Code, subject to any 68  
reasonable terms set by the court as authorized under section 69  
2930.14 of the Revised Code, to make a statement about the 70  
victimization and, if applicable, a statement relative to the 71  
sentencing or disposition of the offender; 72

(7) The opportunity to obtain a court order, pursuant to 73  
section 2945.04 of the Revised Code, to prevent or stop the 74  
commission of the offense of intimidation of a crime victim or 75  
witness or an offense against the person or property of the 76

complainant, or of the complainant's ward or child; 77

(8) The right of the victim in certain criminal or 78  
juvenile cases or a victim's representative pursuant to sections 79  
2151.38, 2929.20, 2930.10, 2930.16, and 2930.17 of the Revised 80  
Code to receive notice of a pending motion for judicial release, 81  
release pursuant to section 2967.19 of the Revised Code, or 82  
other early release of the person who committed the offense 83  
against the victim, to make an oral or written statement at the 84  
court hearing on the motion, and to be notified of the court's 85  
decision on the motion; 86

(9) The right of the victim in certain criminal or 87  
juvenile cases or a victim's representative pursuant to section 88  
2930.16, 2967.12, 2967.26, or 5139.56 of the Revised Code to 89  
receive notice of any pending commutation, pardon, parole, 90  
transitional control, discharge, other form of authorized 91  
release, post-release control, or supervised release for the 92  
person who committed the offense against the victim or any 93  
application for release of that person and to send a written 94  
statement relative to the victimization and the pending action 95  
to the adult parole authority or the release authority of the 96  
department of youth services; 97

(10) The right of the victim to bring a civil action 98  
pursuant to sections 2969.01 to 2969.06 of the Revised Code to 99  
obtain money from the offender's profit fund; 100

(11) The right, pursuant to section 3109.09 of the Revised 101  
Code, to maintain a civil action to recover compensatory damages 102  
not exceeding ten thousand dollars and costs from the parent of 103  
a minor who willfully damages property through the commission of 104  
an act that would be a theft offense, as defined in section 105  
2913.01 of the Revised Code, if committed by an adult; 106

(12) The right, pursuant to section 3109.10 of the Revised Code, to maintain a civil action to recover compensatory damages not exceeding ten thousand dollars and costs from the parent of a minor who willfully and maliciously assaults a person;

(13) The possibility of receiving restitution from an offender or a delinquent child pursuant to section 2152.20, 2929.18, or 2929.28 of the Revised Code;

(14) The right of the victim in certain criminal or juvenile cases or a victim's representative, pursuant to section 2930.16 of the Revised Code, to receive notice of the escape from confinement or custody of the person who committed the offense, to receive that notice from the custodial agency of the person at the victim's last address or telephone number provided to the custodial agency, and to receive notice that, if either the victim's address or telephone number changes, it is in the victim's interest to provide the new address or telephone number to the custodial agency;

(15) The right of a victim of domestic violence to seek the issuance of a civil protection order pursuant to section 3113.31 of the Revised Code, the right of a petitioner alleging dating violence to seek the issuance of a protection order under section 3113.311 of the Revised Code, the right of a victim of a violation of section 2903.14, 2909.06, 2909.07, 2911.12, 2911.211, or 2919.22 of the Revised Code, a violation of a substantially similar municipal ordinance, or an offense of violence who is a family or household member of the offender at the time of the offense to seek the issuance of a temporary protection order pursuant to section 2919.26 of the Revised Code, and the right of both types of victims to be accompanied by a victim advocate during court proceedings;

(16) The right of a victim of a sexually oriented offense 137  
or of a child-victim oriented offense that is committed by a 138  
person who is convicted of, pleads guilty to, or is adjudicated 139  
a delinquent child for committing the offense and who is in a 140  
category specified in division (B) of section 2950.10 of the 141  
Revised Code to receive, pursuant to that section, notice that 142  
the person has registered with a sheriff under section 2950.04, 143  
2950.041, or 2950.05 of the Revised Code and notice of the 144  
person's name, the person's residence that is registered, and 145  
the offender's school, institution of higher education, or place 146  
of employment address or addresses that are registered, the 147  
person's photograph, and a summary of the manner in which the 148  
victim must make a request to receive the notice. As used in 149  
this division, "sexually oriented offense" and "child-victim 150  
oriented offense" have the same meanings as in section 2950.01 151  
of the Revised Code. 152

(17) The right of a victim of certain sexually violent 153  
offenses committed by an offender who also is convicted of or 154  
pleads guilty to a sexually violent predator specification and 155  
who is sentenced to a prison term pursuant to division (A)(3) of 156  
section 2971.03 of the Revised Code, of a victim of a violation 157  
of division (A)(1)(b) of section 2907.02 of the Revised Code 158  
committed on or after January 2, 2007, by an offender who is 159  
sentenced for the violation pursuant to division (B)(1)(a), (b), 160  
or (c) of section 2971.03 of the Revised Code, of a victim of an 161  
attempted rape committed on or after January 2, 2007, by an 162  
offender who also is convicted of or pleads guilty to a 163  
specification of the type described in section 2941.1418, 164  
2941.1419, or 2941.1420 of the Revised Code and is sentenced for 165  
the violation pursuant to division (B)(2)(a), (b), or (c) of 166  
section 2971.03 of the Revised Code, and of a victim of an 167

offense that is described in division (B)(3)(a), (b), (c), or 168  
(d) of section 2971.03 of the Revised Code and is committed by 169  
an offender who is sentenced pursuant to one of those divisions 170  
to receive, pursuant to section 2930.16 of the Revised Code, 171  
notice of a hearing to determine whether to modify the 172  
requirement that the offender serve the entire prison term in a 173  
state correctional facility, whether to continue, revise, or 174  
revoke any existing modification of that requirement, or whether 175  
to terminate the prison term. As used in this division, 176  
"sexually violent offense" and "sexually violent predator 177  
specification" have the same meanings as in section 2971.01 of 178  
the Revised Code. 179

(B)(1)(a) Subject to division (B)(1)(c) of this section, a 180  
prosecuting attorney, assistant prosecuting attorney, city 181  
director of law, assistant city director of law, village 182  
solicitor, assistant village solicitor, or similar chief legal 183  
officer of a municipal corporation or an assistant of any of 184  
those officers who prosecutes an offense committed in this 185  
state, upon first contact with the victim of the offense, the 186  
victim's family, or the victim's dependents, shall give the 187  
victim, the victim's family, or the victim's dependents a copy 188  
of the pamphlet prepared pursuant to division (A) of this 189  
section and explain, upon request, the information in the 190  
pamphlet to the victim, the victim's family, or the victim's 191  
dependents. 192

(b) Subject to division (B)(1)(c) of this section, a law 193  
enforcement agency that investigates an offense or delinquent 194  
act committed in this state shall give the victim of the offense 195  
or delinquent act, the victim's family, or the victim's 196  
dependents a copy of the pamphlet prepared pursuant to division 197  
(A) of this section at one of the following times: 198

(i) Upon first contact with the victim, the victim's 199  
family, or the victim's dependents; 200

(ii) If the offense or delinquent act is an offense of 201  
violence, if the circumstances of the offense or delinquent act 202  
and the condition of the victim, the victim's family, or the 203  
victim's dependents indicate that the victim, the victim's 204  
family, or the victim's dependents will not be able to 205  
understand the significance of the pamphlet upon first contact 206  
with the agency, and if the agency anticipates that it will have 207  
an additional contact with the victim, the victim's family, or 208  
the victim's dependents, upon the agency's second contact with 209  
the victim, the victim's family, or the victim's dependents. 210

If the agency does not give the victim, the victim's 211  
family, or the victim's dependents a copy of the pamphlet upon 212  
first contact with them and does not have a second contact with 213  
the victim, the victim's family, or the victim's dependents, the 214  
agency shall mail a copy of the pamphlet to the victim, the 215  
victim's family, or the victim's dependents at their last known 216  
address. 217

(c) In complying on and after December 9, 1994, with the 218  
duties imposed by division (B) (1) (a) or (b) of this section, an 219  
official or a law enforcement agency shall use copies of the 220  
pamphlet that are in the official's or agency's possession on 221  
December 9, 1994, until the official or agency has distributed 222  
all of those copies. After the official or agency has 223  
distributed all of those copies, the official or agency shall 224  
use only copies of the pamphlet that contain at least the 225  
information described in divisions (A) (1) to (17) of this 226  
section. 227

(2) The failure of a law enforcement agency or of a 228

prosecuting attorney, assistant prosecuting attorney, city 229  
director of law, assistant city director of law, village 230  
solicitor, assistant village solicitor, or similar chief legal 231  
officer of a municipal corporation or an assistant to any of 232  
those officers to give, as required by division (B)(1) of this 233  
section, the victim of an offense or delinquent act, the 234  
victim's family, or the victim's dependents a copy of the 235  
pamphlet prepared pursuant to division (A) of this section does 236  
not give the victim, the victim's family, the victim's 237  
dependents, or a victim's representative any rights under 238  
section 2743.51 to 2743.72, 2945.04, 2967.12, 2969.01 to 239  
2969.06, 3109.09, or 3109.10 of the Revised Code or under any 240  
other provision of the Revised Code and does not affect any 241  
right under those sections. 242

(3) A law enforcement agency, a prosecuting attorney or 243  
assistant prosecuting attorney, or a city director of law, 244  
assistant city director of law, village solicitor, assistant 245  
village solicitor, or similar chief legal officer of a municipal 246  
corporation that distributes a copy of the pamphlet prepared 247  
pursuant to division (A) of this section shall not be required 248  
to distribute a copy of an information card or other printed 249  
material provided by the clerk of the court of claims pursuant 250  
to section 2743.71 of the Revised Code. 251

(C) The cost of printing and distributing the pamphlet 252  
prepared pursuant to division (A) of this section shall be paid 253  
out of the reparations fund, created pursuant to section 254  
2743.191 of the Revised Code, in accordance with division (D) of 255  
that section. 256

(D) As used in this section: 257

(1) "Victim's representative" has the same meaning as in 258

section 2930.01 of the Revised Code; 259

(2) "Victim advocate" has the same meaning as in section 260  
2919.26 of the Revised Code. 261

**Sec. 2151.23.** (A) The juvenile court has exclusive 262  
original jurisdiction under the Revised Code as follows: 263

(1) Concerning any child who on or about the date 264  
specified in the complaint, indictment, or information is 265  
alleged to have violated section 2151.87 of the Revised Code or 266  
an order issued under that section or to be a juvenile traffic 267  
offender or a delinquent, unruly, abused, neglected, or 268  
dependent child and, based on and in relation to the allegation 269  
pertaining to the child, concerning the parent, guardian, or 270  
other person having care of a child who is alleged to be an 271  
unruly child for being an habitual truant or who is alleged to 272  
be a delinquent child for violating a court order regarding the 273  
child's prior adjudication as an unruly child for being an 274  
habitual truant; 275

(2) Subject to divisions (G), (K), and (V) of section 276  
2301.03 of the Revised Code, to determine the custody of any 277  
child not a ward of another court of this state; 278

(3) To hear and determine any application for a writ of 279  
habeas corpus involving the custody of a child; 280

(4) To exercise the powers and jurisdiction given the 281  
probate division of the court of common pleas in Chapter 5122. 282  
of the Revised Code, if the court has probable cause to believe 283  
that a child otherwise within the jurisdiction of the court is a 284  
mentally ill person subject to court order, as defined in 285  
section 5122.01 of the Revised Code; 286

(5) To hear and determine all criminal cases charging 287

adults with the violation of any section of this chapter; 288

(6) To hear and determine all criminal cases in which an 289  
adult is charged with a violation of division (C) of section 290  
2919.21, division (B)(1) of section 2919.22, section 2919.222, 291  
division (B) of section 2919.23, or section 2919.24 of the 292  
Revised Code, provided the charge is not included in an 293  
indictment that also charges the alleged adult offender with the 294  
commission of a felony arising out of the same actions that are 295  
the basis of the alleged violation of division (C) of section 296  
2919.21, division (B)(1) of section 2919.22, section 2919.222, 297  
division (B) of section 2919.23, or section 2919.24 of the 298  
Revised Code; 299

(7) Under the interstate compact on juveniles in section 300  
2151.56 of the Revised Code; 301

(8) Concerning any child who is to be taken into custody 302  
pursuant to section 2151.31 of the Revised Code, upon being 303  
notified of the intent to take the child into custody and the 304  
reasons for taking the child into custody; 305

(9) To hear and determine requests for the extension of 306  
temporary custody agreements, and requests for court approval of 307  
permanent custody agreements, that are filed pursuant to section 308  
5103.15 of the Revised Code; 309

(10) To hear and determine applications for consent to 310  
marry pursuant to section 3101.04 of the Revised Code; 311

(11) Subject to divisions (G), (K), and (V) of section 312  
2301.03 of the Revised Code, to hear and determine a request for 313  
an order for the support of any child if the request is not 314  
ancillary to an action for divorce, dissolution of marriage, 315  
annulment, or legal separation, a criminal or civil action 316

involving an allegation of domestic violence, or an action for 317  
support brought under Chapter 3115. of the Revised Code; 318

(12) Concerning an action commenced under section 121.38 319  
of the Revised Code; 320

(13) To hear and determine violations of section 3321.38 321  
of the Revised Code; 322

(14) To exercise jurisdiction and authority over the 323  
parent, guardian, or other person having care of a child alleged 324  
to be a delinquent child, unruly child, or juvenile traffic 325  
offender, based on and in relation to the allegation pertaining 326  
to the child; 327

(15) To conduct the hearings, and to make the 328  
determinations, adjudications, and orders authorized or required 329  
under sections 2152.82 to 2152.86 and Chapter 2950. of the 330  
Revised Code regarding a child who has been adjudicated a 331  
delinquent child and to refer the duties conferred upon the 332  
juvenile court judge under sections 2152.82 to 2152.86 and 333  
Chapter 2950. of the Revised Code to magistrates appointed by 334  
the juvenile court judge in accordance with Juvenile Rule 40; 335

(16) To hear and determine a petition for a protection 336  
order against a child under section 2151.34~~or, 3113.31, or~~ 337  
3113.311 of the Revised Code and to enforce a protection order 338  
issued or a consent agreement approved under ~~either section any~~ 339  
of these sections against a child until a date certain but not 340  
later than the date the child attains nineteen years of age. 341

(B) Except as provided in divisions (G) and (I) of section 342  
2301.03 of the Revised Code, the juvenile court has original 343  
jurisdiction under the Revised Code: 344

(1) To hear and determine all cases of misdemeanors 345

charging adults with any act or omission with respect to any 346  
child, which act or omission is a violation of any state law or 347  
any municipal ordinance; 348

(2) To determine the paternity of any child alleged to 349  
have been born out of wedlock pursuant to sections 3111.01 to 350  
3111.18 of the Revised Code; 351

(3) Under the uniform interstate family support act in 352  
Chapter 3115. of the Revised Code; 353

(4) To hear and determine an application for an order for 354  
the support of any child, if the child is not a ward of another 355  
court of this state; 356

(5) To hear and determine an action commenced under 357  
section 3111.28 of the Revised Code; 358

(6) To hear and determine a motion filed under section 359  
3119.961 of the Revised Code; 360

(7) To receive filings under section 3109.74 of the 361  
Revised Code, and to hear and determine actions arising under 362  
sections 3109.51 to 3109.80 of the Revised Code. 363

(8) To enforce an order for the return of a child made 364  
under the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International 365  
Child Abduction pursuant to section 3127.32 of the Revised Code; 366

(9) To grant any relief normally available under the laws 367  
of this state to enforce a child custody determination made by a 368  
court of another state and registered in accordance with section 369  
3127.35 of the Revised Code. 370

(C) The juvenile court, except as to juvenile courts that 371  
are a separate division of the court of common pleas or a 372  
separate and independent juvenile court, has jurisdiction to 373

hear, determine, and make a record of any action for divorce or 374  
legal separation that involves the custody or care of children 375  
and that is filed in the court of common pleas and certified by 376  
the court of common pleas with all the papers filed in the 377  
action to the juvenile court for trial, provided that no 378  
certification of that nature shall be made to any juvenile court 379  
unless the consent of the juvenile judge first is obtained. 380  
After a certification of that nature is made and consent is 381  
obtained, the juvenile court shall proceed as if the action 382  
originally had been begun in that court, except as to awards for 383  
spousal support or support due and unpaid at the time of 384  
certification, over which the juvenile court has no 385  
jurisdiction. 386

(D) The juvenile court, except as provided in divisions 387  
(G) and (I) of section 2301.03 of the Revised Code, has 388  
jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters as to custody and 389  
support of children duly certified by the court of common pleas 390  
to the juvenile court after a divorce decree has been granted, 391  
including jurisdiction to modify the judgment and decree of the 392  
court of common pleas as the same relate to the custody and 393  
support of children. 394

(E) The juvenile court, except as provided in divisions 395  
(G) and (I) of section 2301.03 of the Revised Code, has 396  
jurisdiction to hear and determine the case of any child 397  
certified to the court by any court of competent jurisdiction if 398  
the child comes within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court as 399  
defined by this section. 400

(F) (1) The juvenile court shall exercise its jurisdiction 401  
in child custody matters in accordance with sections 3109.04 and 402  
3127.01 to 3127.53 of the Revised Code and, as applicable, 403

sections 5103.20 to 5103.22 or 5103.23 to 5103.237 of the 404  
Revised Code. 405

(2) The juvenile court shall exercise its jurisdiction in 406  
child support matters in accordance with section 3109.05 of the 407  
Revised Code. 408

(G) Any juvenile court that makes or modifies an order for 409  
child support shall comply with Chapters 3119., 3121., 3123., 410  
and 3125. of the Revised Code. If any person required to pay 411  
child support under an order made by a juvenile court on or 412  
after April 15, 1985, or modified on or after December 1, 1986, 413  
is found in contempt of court for failure to make support 414  
payments under the order, the court that makes the finding, in 415  
addition to any other penalty or remedy imposed, shall assess 416  
all court costs arising out of the contempt proceeding against 417  
the person and require the person to pay any reasonable 418  
attorney's fees of any adverse party, as determined by the 419  
court, that arose in relation to the act of contempt. 420

(H) If a child who is charged with an act that would be an 421  
offense if committed by an adult was fourteen years of age or 422  
older and under eighteen years of age at the time of the alleged 423  
act and if the case is transferred for criminal prosecution 424  
pursuant to section 2152.12 of the Revised Code, except as 425  
provided in section 2152.121 of the Revised Code, the juvenile 426  
court does not have jurisdiction to hear or determine the case 427  
subsequent to the transfer. The court to which the case is 428  
transferred for criminal prosecution pursuant to that section 429  
has jurisdiction subsequent to the transfer to hear and 430  
determine the case in the same manner as if the case originally 431  
had been commenced in that court, subject to section 2152.121 of 432  
the Revised Code, including, but not limited to, jurisdiction to 433

accept a plea of guilty or another plea authorized by Criminal 434  
Rule 11 or another section of the Revised Code and jurisdiction 435  
to accept a verdict and to enter a judgment of conviction 436  
pursuant to the Rules of Criminal Procedure against the child 437  
for the commission of the offense that was the basis of the 438  
transfer of the case for criminal prosecution, whether the 439  
conviction is for the same degree or a lesser degree of the 440  
offense charged, for the commission of a lesser-included 441  
offense, or for the commission of another offense that is 442  
different from the offense charged. 443

(I) If a person under eighteen years of age allegedly 444  
commits an act that would be a felony if committed by an adult 445  
and if the person is not taken into custody or apprehended for 446  
that act until after the person attains twenty-one years of age, 447  
the juvenile court does not have jurisdiction to hear or 448  
determine any portion of the case charging the person with 449  
committing that act. In those circumstances, divisions (A) and 450  
(B) of section 2152.12 of the Revised Code do not apply 451  
regarding the act, and the case charging the person with 452  
committing the act shall be a criminal prosecution commenced and 453  
heard in the appropriate court having jurisdiction of the 454  
offense as if the person had been eighteen years of age or older 455  
when the person committed the act. All proceedings pertaining to 456  
the act shall be within the jurisdiction of the court having 457  
jurisdiction of the offense, and that court has all the 458  
authority and duties in the case that it has in other criminal 459  
cases in that court. 460

(J) In exercising its exclusive original jurisdiction 461  
under division (A)(16) of this section with respect to any 462  
proceedings brought under section 2151.34~~or~~, 3113.31, or 463  
3113.311 of the Revised Code in which the respondent is a child, 464

the juvenile court retains all dispositional powers consistent 465  
with existing rules of juvenile procedure and may also exercise 466  
its discretion to adjudicate proceedings as provided in sections 467  
2151.34~~and~~, 3113.31, and 3113.311 of the Revised Code, 468  
including the issuance of protection orders or the approval of 469  
consent agreements under those sections. 470

**Sec. 2919.27.** (A) No person shall recklessly violate the 471  
terms of any of the following: 472

(1) A protection order issued or consent agreement 473  
approved pursuant to section 2919.26~~or~~, 3113.31, or 3113.311 474  
of the Revised Code; 475

(2) A protection order issued pursuant to section 2151.34, 476  
2903.213, or 2903.214 of the Revised Code; 477

(3) A protection order issued by a court of another state. 478

(B) (1) Whoever violates this section is guilty of 479  
violating a protection order. 480

(2) Except as otherwise provided in division (B) (3) or (4) 481  
of this section, violating a protection order is a misdemeanor 482  
of the first degree. 483

(3) If the offender previously has been convicted of, 484  
pleaded guilty to, or been adjudicated a delinquent child for a 485  
violation of a protection order issued pursuant to section 486  
2151.34, 2903.213, or 2903.214 of the Revised Code, two or more 487  
violations of section 2903.21, 2903.211, 2903.22, or 2911.211 of 488  
the Revised Code that involved the same person who is the 489  
subject of the protection order or consent agreement, or one or 490  
more violations of this section, violating a protection order is 491  
a felony of the fifth degree. 492

(4) If the offender violates a protection order or consent 493  
agreement while committing a felony offense, violating a 494  
protection order is a felony of the third degree. 495

(5) If the protection order violated by the offender was 496  
an order issued pursuant to section 2151.34 or 2903.214 of the 497  
Revised Code that required electronic monitoring of the offender 498  
pursuant to that section, the court may require in addition to 499  
any other sentence imposed upon the offender that the offender 500  
be electronically monitored for a period not exceeding five 501  
years by a law enforcement agency designated by the court. If 502  
the court requires under this division that the offender be 503  
electronically monitored, unless the court determines that the 504  
offender is indigent, the court shall order that the offender 505  
pay the costs of the installation of the electronic monitoring 506  
device and the cost of monitoring the electronic monitoring 507  
device. If the court determines that the offender is indigent 508  
and subject to the maximum amount allowable and the rules 509  
promulgated by the attorney general under section 2903.214 of 510  
the Revised Code, the costs of the installation of the 511  
electronic monitoring device and the cost of monitoring the 512  
electronic monitoring device may be paid out of funds from the 513  
reparations fund created pursuant to section 2743.191 of the 514  
Revised Code. The total amount paid from the reparations fund 515  
created pursuant to section 2743.191 of the Revised Code for 516  
electronic monitoring under this section and sections 2151.34 517  
and 2903.214 of the Revised Code shall not exceed three hundred 518  
thousand dollars per year. 519

(C) It is an affirmative defense to a charge under 520  
division (A) (3) of this section that the protection order issued 521  
by a court of another state does not comply with the 522  
requirements specified in 18 U.S.C. 2265(b) for a protection 523

order that must be accorded full faith and credit by a court of 524  
this state or that it is not entitled to full faith and credit 525  
under 18 U.S.C. 2265(c) . 526

(D) As used in this section, "protection order issued by a 527  
court of another state" means an injunction or another order 528  
issued by a criminal court of another state for the purpose of 529  
preventing violent or threatening acts or harassment against, 530  
contact or communication with, or physical proximity to another 531  
person, including a temporary order, and means an injunction or 532  
order of that nature issued by a civil court of another state, 533  
including a temporary order and a final order issued in an 534  
independent action or as a pendente lite order in a proceeding 535  
for other relief, if the court issued it in response to a 536  
complaint, petition, or motion filed by or on behalf of a person 537  
seeking protection. "Protection order issued by a court of 538  
another state" does not include an order for support or for 539  
custody of a child issued pursuant to the divorce and child 540  
custody laws of another state, except to the extent that the 541  
order for support or for custody of a child is entitled to full 542  
faith and credit under the laws of the United States. 543

**Sec. 3113.311.** (A) As used in this section: 544

(1) "Dating violence" means the occurrence of one or more 545  
of the following acts against a petitioner alleging dating 546  
violence: 547

(a) Attempting to cause or recklessly causing bodily 548  
injury; 549

(b) Placing the petitioner alleging dating violence by the 550  
threat of force in fear of imminent serious physical harm or 551  
committing a violation of section 2903.211 or 2911.211 of the 552

Revised Code; 553

(c) Committing a sexually oriented offense. 554

(2) "Court" means the domestic relations division of the 555  
court of common pleas in counties that have a domestic relations 556  
division and the court of common pleas in counties that do not 557  
have a domestic relations division, or the juvenile division of 558  
the court of common pleas of the county in which the person to 559  
be protected by a protection order issued or a consent agreement 560  
approved under this section resides if the respondent is less 561  
than eighteen years of age. 562

(3) (a) "Petitioner alleging dating violence" or "person 563  
alleging dating violence" means a person who has or has had a 564  
dating relationship with the respondent within the twelve months 565  
preceding the date of the conduct in question that constitutes 566  
the alleged dating violence. "Petitioner alleging dating 567  
violence" or "person alleging dating violence" does not include, 568  
with respect to a specified respondent, another person who has 569  
only a casual relationship with the specified respondent or 570  
another person who has engaged solely in ordinary fraternization 571  
in a business or social context with the specified respondent. 572

(b) The existence of a dating relationship between two 573  
persons shall be determined based on a consideration of either 574  
of the following factors: 575

(i) The nature of the relationship must have been 576  
characterized by the expectation of affection between the two 577  
persons. 578

(ii) The frequency and type of interaction between the two 579  
persons involved in the relationship must have included that the 580  
persons have been involved over time and on a continuous basis 581

during the course of the relationship. 582

(4) "Victim advocate" means a person who provides support 583  
and assistance for a person who files a petition under this 584  
section. 585

(5) "Sexually oriented offense" has the same meaning as in 586  
section 2950.01 of the Revised Code. 587

(6) "Companion animal" has the same meaning as in section 588  
959.131 of the Revised Code. 589

(B) The court has jurisdiction over all proceedings under 590  
this section. 591

(C) A petitioner alleging dating violence may seek relief 592  
under this section on the person's own behalf, or any parent or 593  
adult household member of a person alleging dating violence may 594  
seek relief under this section on behalf of that person, by 595  
filing a petition with the court. The petition shall contain or 596  
state: 597

(1) An allegation that the respondent engaged in dating 598  
violence against the petitioner alleging dating violence, 599  
including a description of the nature and extent of the dating 600  
violence; 601

(2) An explanation of the relationship of the respondent 602  
to the petitioner alleging dating violence and to the person 603  
alleging dating violence if other than the petitioner filing the 604  
petition; 605

(3) A request for relief under this section. 606

(D) (1) If a person who files a petition pursuant to this 607  
section requests an ex parte order, the court shall hold an ex 608  
parte hearing on the same day that the petition is filed. The 609

court, for good cause shown at the ex parte hearing, may enter 610  
any temporary orders, with or without bond, including, but not 611  
limited to, an order described in division (E)(1)(a) of this 612  
section, that the court finds necessary to protect the 613  
petitioner alleging dating violence from any dating violence. 614  
Immediate and present danger of dating violence to the 615  
petitioner alleging dating violence constitutes good cause for 616  
purposes of this section. Immediate and present danger includes, 617  
but is not limited to, situations in which the respondent has 618  
threatened the petitioner alleging dating violence with bodily 619  
harm, in which the respondent has threatened that petitioner 620  
with a sexually oriented offense, or in which the respondent 621  
previously has been convicted of, pleaded guilty to, or been 622  
adjudicated a delinquent child for an offense that constitutes 623  
dating violence against the petitioner alleging dating violence. 624

(2)(a) If the court, after an ex parte hearing, issues any 625  
protection order that is authorized under division (E) of this 626  
section, the court shall schedule a full hearing for a date that 627  
is within ten court days after the ex parte hearing. The court 628  
shall give the respondent notice of, and an opportunity to be 629  
heard at, the full hearing. The court shall hold the full 630  
hearing on the date scheduled under this division unless the 631  
court grants a continuance of the hearing in accordance with 632  
this division. Under any of the following circumstances or for 633  
any of the following reasons, the court may grant a continuance 634  
of the full hearing to a reasonable time determined by the 635  
court: 636

(i) Prior to the date scheduled for the full hearing under 637  
this division, the respondent has not been served with the 638  
petition filed pursuant to this section and notice of the full 639  
hearing. 640

- (ii) The parties consent to the continuance. 641
- (iii) The continuance is needed to allow a party to obtain 642  
counsel. 643
- (iv) The continuance is needed for other good cause. 644
- (b) An ex parte order issued under this section does not 645  
expire because of a failure to serve notice of the full hearing 646  
upon the respondent before the date set for the full hearing 647  
under division (D)(2)(a) of this section or because the court 648  
grants a continuance under that division. 649
- (3) If a person who files a petition pursuant to this 650  
section does not request an ex parte order, or if a person 651  
requests an ex parte order but the court does not issue an ex 652  
parte order after an ex parte hearing, the court shall proceed 653  
as in a normal civil action and grant a full hearing on the 654  
matter. 655
- (E)(1) After an ex parte or full hearing, the court may 656  
grant any protection order, with or without bond, or approve any 657  
consent agreement to bring about a cessation of dating violence 658  
against the petitioner alleging dating violence. The order or 659  
agreement may: 660
- (a) Direct the respondent to refrain from abusing or from 661  
committing sexually oriented offenses against the petitioner 662  
alleging dating violence; 663
- (b) Require the respondent, the petitioner alleging dating 664  
violence, the petitioner filing the petition if other than the 665  
person alleging dating violence, or any combination of those 666  
persons, to seek counseling; 667
- (c) Require the respondent to refrain from entering the 668

residence, school, business, or place of employment of the 669  
petitioner alleging dating violence or the petitioner filing the 670  
petition if other than the person alleging dating violence; 671

(d) Require that the respondent not remove, damage, hide, 672  
harm, or dispose of any companion animal owned or possessed by 673  
the petitioner alleging dating violence; 674

(e) Authorize the petitioner alleging dating violence to 675  
remove a companion animal owned by that petitioner from the 676  
possession of the respondent; 677

(f) Grant other relief that the court considers equitable 678  
and fair. 679

(2) If a protection order has been issued pursuant to this 680  
section in a prior action involving the respondent and the 681  
petitioner alleging dating violence or the petitioner filing the 682  
petition if other than the person alleging dating violence, the 683  
court may include in a protection order that it issues a 684  
prohibition against the respondent returning to the residence, 685  
school, business, or place of employment. 686

(3) (a) Any protection order issued or consent agreement 687  
approved under this section shall be valid until a date certain, 688  
but not later than five years from the date of its issuance or 689  
approval, or not later than the date a respondent who is less 690  
than eighteen years of age attains nineteen years of age, unless 691  
modified or terminated as provided in division (E) (6) of this 692  
section. 693

(b) Any protection order issued or consent agreement 694  
approved pursuant to this section may be renewed in the same 695  
manner as the original order or agreement was issued or 696  
approved. 697

(4) A court may not issue a protection order that requires 698  
a petitioner alleging dating violence to do or to refrain from 699  
doing an act that the court may require a respondent to do or to 700  
refrain from doing under division (E) (1) (a), (c), (d), (e), or 701  
(f) of this section unless all of the following apply: 702

(a) The respondent files a separate petition for a 703  
protection order in accordance with this section. 704

(b) The petitioner is served notice of the respondent's 705  
petition at least forty-eight hours before the court holds a 706  
hearing with respect to the respondent's petition, or the 707  
petitioner waives the right to receive this notice. 708

(c) If the petitioner has requested an ex parte order 709  
pursuant to division (D) of this section, the court does not 710  
delay any hearing required by that division beyond the time 711  
specified in that division in order to consolidate the hearing 712  
with a hearing on the petition filed by the respondent. 713

(d) After a full hearing at which the respondent presents 714  
evidence in support of the request for a protection order and 715  
the petitioner is afforded an opportunity to defend against that 716  
evidence, the court determines that the petitioner has committed 717  
an act of dating violence, that both the petitioner and the 718  
respondent acted primarily as aggressors, and that neither the 719  
petitioner nor the respondent acted primarily in self-defense. 720

(5) (a) If a protection order issued or consent agreement 721  
approved under this section includes a requirement that the 722  
respondent refrain from entering the residence, school, 723  
business, or place of employment of the petitioner alleging 724  
dating violence or the petitioner filing the petition if other 725  
than the person alleging dating violence, the order or agreement 726

shall state clearly that the order or agreement cannot be waived 727  
or nullified by an invitation to the respondent from the 728  
petitioner alleging dating violence or the petitioner filing the 729  
petition to enter the residence, school, business, or place of 730  
employment or by the respondent's entry into one of those places 731  
otherwise upon the consent of the applicable petitioner. 732

(b) Division (E) (5) (a) of this section does not limit any 733  
discretion of a court to determine that a respondent charged 734  
with contempt of court, which charge is based on an alleged 735  
violation of a protection order issued or consent agreement 736  
approved under this section, did not commit the violation or was 737  
not in contempt of court. 738

(6) (a) The court may modify or terminate as provided in 739  
division (E) (6) of this section a protection order or consent 740  
agreement that was issued after a full hearing under this 741  
section. The court that issued the protection order or approved 742  
the consent agreement shall hear a motion for modification or 743  
termination of the protection order or consent agreement 744  
pursuant to division (E) (6) of this section. 745

(b) Either the petitioner alleging dating violence or the 746  
respondent of the original protection order or consent agreement 747  
may bring a motion for modification or termination of a 748  
protection order or consent agreement that was issued or 749  
approved after a full hearing. The court shall require notice of 750  
the motion to be made as provided by the Rules of Civil 751  
Procedure. If that petitioner for the original protection order 752  
or consent agreement has requested that the petitioner's address 753  
be kept confidential, the court shall not disclose the address 754  
to the respondent of the original protection order or consent 755  
agreement or any other person, except as otherwise required by 756

law. The moving party has the burden of proof to show, by a 757  
preponderance of the evidence, that modification or termination 758  
of the protection order or consent agreement is appropriate 759  
because either the protection order or consent agreement is no 760  
longer needed or because the terms of the original protection 761  
order or consent agreement are no longer appropriate. 762

(c) In considering whether to modify or terminate a 763  
protection order or consent agreement issued or approved under 764  
this section, the court shall consider all relevant factors, 765  
including, but not limited to, the following: 766

(i) Whether the petitioner consents to modification or 767  
termination of the protection order or consent agreement; 768

(ii) Whether the petitioner fears the respondent; 769

(iii) The current nature of the relationship between the 770  
petitioner and the respondent; 771

(iv) The circumstances of the petitioner and respondent, 772  
including the relative proximity of the petitioner's and 773  
respondent's workplaces and residences; 774

(v) Whether the respondent has complied with the terms and 775  
conditions of the original protection order or consent 776  
agreement; 777

(vi) Whether the respondent has a continuing involvement 778  
with illegal drugs or alcohol; 779

(vii) Whether the respondent has been convicted of, 780  
pleaded guilty to, or been adjudicated a delinquent child for an 781  
offense of violence since the issuance of the protection order 782  
or approval of the consent agreement; 783

(viii) Whether any other protection orders, consent 784

agreements, restraining orders, or no contact orders have been 785  
issued against the respondent pursuant to this section, section 786  
2919.26 or 3113.31 of the Revised Code, any other provision of 787  
state law, or the law of any other state; 788

(ix) Whether the respondent has participated in any dating 789  
violence treatment, intervention program, or other counseling 790  
addressing dating violence and whether the respondent has 791  
completed the treatment, program, or counseling; 792

(x) The time that has elapsed since the protection order 793  
was issued or since the consent agreement was approved; 794

(xi) The age and health of the respondent; 795

(xii) When the last incident of abuse, threat of harm, or 796  
commission of a sexually oriented offense occurred or other 797  
relevant information concerning the safety and protection of the 798  
petitioner alleging dating violence, or the petitioner filing 799  
the petition if other than the person alleging dating violence. 800

(d) If a protection order or consent agreement is modified 801  
or terminated as provided in division (E)(6) of this section, 802  
the court shall issue copies of the modified or terminated order 803  
or agreement as provided in division (F) of this section. A 804  
petitioner may also provide notice of the modification or 805  
termination to the judicial and law enforcement officials in any 806  
county other than the county in which the order or agreement is 807  
modified or terminated as provided in division (L) of this 808  
section. 809

(e) If the respondent moves for modification or 810  
termination of a protection order or consent agreement pursuant 811  
to this section and the court denies the motion, the court may 812  
assess costs against the respondent for the filing of the 813

motion. 814

(7) Any protection order issued or any consent agreement 815  
approved pursuant to this section shall include a provision that 816  
the court will automatically seal all of the records of the 817  
proceeding in which the order is issued or agreement approved on 818  
the date the respondent attains the age of nineteen years unless 819  
the petitioner provides the court with evidence that the 820  
respondent has not complied with all of the terms of the 821  
protection order or consent agreement. The protection order or 822  
consent agreement shall specify the date when the respondent 823  
attains the age of nineteen years. 824

(F)(1) A copy of any protection order, or consent 825  
agreement, that is issued, approved, modified, or terminated 826  
under this section shall be issued by the court to the 827  
petitioner, to the respondent, and to all law enforcement 828  
agencies that have jurisdiction to enforce the order or 829  
agreement. The court shall direct that a copy of an order be 830  
delivered to the respondent on the same day that the order is 831  
entered. 832

(2) Upon the issuance of a protection order or the 833  
approval of a consent agreement under this section, the court 834  
shall provide the parties to the order or agreement with the 835  
following notice orally or by form: 836

"NOTICE 837

As a result of this order or consent agreement, it may be 838  
unlawful for you to possess or purchase a firearm, including a 839  
rifle, pistol, or revolver, or ammunition pursuant to federal 840  
law under 18 U.S.C. 922(g)(8). If you have any questions whether 841  
this law makes it illegal for you to possess or purchase a 842

firearm or ammunition, you should consult an attorney." 843

(3) All law enforcement agencies shall establish and 844  
maintain an index for the protection orders and the approved 845  
consent agreements delivered to the agencies pursuant to 846  
division (F)(1) of this section. With respect to each order and 847  
consent agreement delivered, each agency shall note on the index 848  
the date and time that it received the order or consent 849  
agreement. 850

(4) Regardless of whether the petitioner has registered 851  
the order or agreement in the county in which the officer's 852  
agency has jurisdiction pursuant to division (L) of this 853  
section, any officer of a law enforcement agency shall enforce a 854  
protection order issued or consent agreement approved by any 855  
court in this state in accordance with the provisions of the 856  
order or agreement, including removing the respondent from the 857  
premises, if appropriate. 858

(G) Any proceeding under this section shall be conducted 859  
in accordance with the Rules of Civil Procedure, except that an 860  
order under this section may be obtained with or without bond. 861  
An order issued under this section, other than an ex parte 862  
order, that grants a protection order or approves a consent 863  
agreement, that refuses to grant a protection order or approve a 864  
consent agreement that modifies or terminates a protection order 865  
or consent agreement, or that refuses to modify or terminate a 866  
protection order or consent agreement, is a final, appealable 867  
order. The remedies and procedures provided in this section are 868  
in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other available civil or 869  
criminal remedies. 870

(H) Any law enforcement agency that investigates a dispute 871  
involving persons in a dating relationship shall provide 872

information to the potential petitioner alleging dating violence 873  
involved regarding the relief available under this section. 874

(I) (1) Subject to divisions (E) (6) (e) and (I) (2) of this 875  
section and regardless of whether a protection order is issued 876  
or a consent agreement is approved by a court of another county 877  
or a court of another state, no court or unit of state or local 878  
government shall charge the petitioner any fee, cost, deposit, 879  
or money in connection with the filing of a petition pursuant to 880  
this section or in connection with the filing, issuance, 881  
registration, modification, enforcement, dismissal, withdrawal, 882  
or service of a protection order, consent agreement, or witness 883  
subpoena or for obtaining a certified copy of a protection order 884  
or consent agreement. 885

(2) Regardless of whether a protection order is issued or 886  
a consent agreement is approved pursuant to this section, the 887  
court may assess costs against the respondent in connection with 888  
the filing, issuance, registration, modification, enforcement, 889  
dismissal, withdrawal, or service of a protection order, consent 890  
agreement, or witness subpoena or for obtaining a certified copy 891  
of a protection order or consent agreement. 892

(J) A person who violates a protection order issued or a 893  
consent agreement approved under this section is guilty of a 894  
violation of section 2919.27 of the Revised Code. 895

(K) In all stages of a proceeding under this section, a 896  
petitioner may be accompanied by a victim advocate. 897

(L) (1) A petitioner who obtains a protection order or 898  
consent agreement under this section may provide notice of the 899  
issuance or approval of the order or agreement to the judicial 900  
and law enforcement officials in any county other than the 901

county in which the order is issued or the agreement is approved 902  
by registering that order or agreement in the other county 903  
pursuant to division (L) (2) of this section and filing a copy of 904  
the registered order or registered agreement with a law 905  
enforcement agency in the other county in accordance with that 906  
division. A person who obtains a protection order issued by a 907  
court of another state may provide notice of the issuance of the 908  
order to the judicial and law enforcement officials in any 909  
county of this state by registering the order in that county 910  
pursuant to section 2919.272 of the Revised Code and filing a 911  
copy of the registered order with a law enforcement agency in 912  
that county. 913

(2) A petitioner may register a temporary protection 914  
order, protection order, or consent agreement in a county other 915  
than the county in which the court that issued the order or 916  
approved the agreement is located in the following manner: 917

(a) The petitioner shall obtain a certified copy of the 918  
order or agreement from the clerk of the court that issued the 919  
order or approved the agreement and present that certified copy 920  
to the clerk of the court of common pleas or the clerk of a 921  
municipal court or county court in the county in which the order 922  
or agreement is to be registered. 923

(b) Upon accepting the certified copy of the order or 924  
agreement for registration, the clerk of the court of common 925  
pleas, municipal court, or county court shall place an 926  
endorsement of registration on the order or agreement and give 927  
the petitioner a copy of the order or agreement that bears that 928  
proof of registration. 929

(3) The clerk of each court of common pleas, the clerk of 930  
each municipal court, and the clerk of each county court shall 931

maintain a registry of certified copies of temporary protection 932  
orders, protection orders, or consent agreements that have been 933  
issued or approved by courts in other counties and that have 934  
been registered with the clerk. 935

**Sec. 3113.33.** As used in sections 3113.33 to 3113.40 of 936  
the Revised Code: 937

(A) "Domestic violence" means attempting to cause or 938  
causing bodily injury to a family or household member, or 939  
placing a family or household member by threat of force in fear 940  
of imminent physical harm. "Domestic violence" includes dating 941  
violence. 942

(B) "Family or household member" means any of the 943  
following: 944

(1) Any of the following who is residing or has resided 945  
with the person committing the domestic violence: 946

(a) A spouse, a person living as a spouse, or a former 947  
spouse of the person committing the domestic violence; 948

(b) A parent, foster parent, or child of the person 949  
committing the domestic violence, or another person related by 950  
consanguinity or affinity to the person committing the domestic 951  
violence; 952

(c) A parent or a child of a spouse, person living as a 953  
spouse, or former spouse of the person committing the domestic 954  
violence, or another person related by consanguinity or affinity 955  
to a spouse, person living as a spouse, or former spouse of the 956  
person committing the domestic violence; 957

(d) The dependents of any person listed in division (B) (1) 958  
(a), (b), or (c) of this section. 959

(2) The natural parent of any child of whom the person 960  
committing the domestic violence is the other natural parent or 961  
is the putative other natural parent; 962

(3) A person in a dating relationship with the person 963  
committing the dating violence and who is the victim of that 964  
dating violence. 965

(C) "Shelter for victims of domestic violence" or 966  
"shelter" means a facility that provides temporary residential 967  
service or facilities to family or household members who are 968  
victims of domestic violence. 969

(D) "Person living as a spouse" means a person who is 970  
living or has lived with the person committing the domestic 971  
violence in a common law marital relationship, who otherwise is 972  
cohabiting with the person committing the domestic violence, or 973  
who otherwise has cohabited with the person committing the 974  
domestic violence within five years prior to the date of the 975  
alleged occurrence of the act in question. 976

(E) "Dating violence" has the same meaning as in section 977  
3113.311 of the Revised Code. 978

**Section 2.** That existing sections 109.42, 2151.23, 979  
2919.27, and 3113.33 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 980