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Introduced by Sens. PALUMBO, BORRELLO, GRIFFO, HELMING, MATTERA, OBER-  
ACKER, O'MARA, ORTT, ROLISON, WEBER, WEIK -- read twice and ordered  
printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Children  
and Families

AN ACT to amend the criminal procedure law, in relation to allowing  
lifetime orders of protection in certain cases

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assem-  
bly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The opening paragraph of subdivision 5 of section 530.12 of  
2 the criminal procedure law, as amended by chapter 240 of the laws of  
3 2015, is amended to read as follows:

4 Upon sentencing on a conviction for any crime or violation between  
5 spouses, between a parent and child, or between members of the same  
6 family or household as defined in subdivision one of section 530.11 of  
7 this article, the court may in addition to any other disposition,  
8 including a conditional discharge or youthful offender adjudication,  
9 enter an order of protection. Where a temporary order of protection was  
10 issued, the court shall state on the record the reasons for issuing or  
11 not issuing an order of protection. The duration of such an order shall  
12 be fixed by the court and: (A) in the case of a felony conviction, shall  
13 not exceed the greater of: (i) eight years from the date of such  
14 sentencing~~[, except where the sentence is or includes a sentence of~~  
15 ~~probation on a conviction for a felony sexual assault, as provided in~~  
16 ~~subparagraph (iii) of paragraph (a) of subdivision three of section~~  
17 ~~65.00 of the penal law, in which case, ten years from the date of such~~  
18 ~~sentencing]~~, or (ii) eight years from the date of the expiration of the  
19 maximum term of an indeterminate or the term of a determinate sentence  
20 of imprisonment actually imposed, or (iii) the lifetime of the defendant  
21 or the victim, whichever is shorter, in the case of a conviction for any  
22 felony under article one hundred twenty, one hundred twenty-five, one

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 hundred thirty, one hundred thirty-five or two hundred sixty-three or  
2 section 255.25, 255.26 or 255.27 of the penal law, or an attempt to  
3 commit any felony under such articles or sections; or (B) in the case of  
4 a conviction for a class A misdemeanor, shall not exceed the greater of:  
5 (i) five years from the date of such sentencing, except where the  
6 sentence is or includes a sentence of probation on a conviction for a  
7 misdemeanor sexual assault, as provided in subparagraph (ii) of para-  
8 graph (b) of subdivision three of section 65.00 of the penal law, in  
9 which case, six years from the date of such sentencing, or (ii) five  
10 years from the date of the expiration of the maximum term of a definite  
11 or intermittent term actually imposed; or (C) in the case of a  
12 conviction for any other offense, shall not exceed the greater of: (i)  
13 two years from the date of sentencing, or (ii) two years from the date  
14 of the expiration of the maximum term of a definite or intermittent term  
15 actually imposed. For purposes of determining the duration of an order  
16 of protection entered pursuant to this subdivision, a conviction shall  
17 be deemed to include a conviction that has been replaced by a youthful  
18 offender adjudication. In addition to any other conditions, such an  
19 order may require the defendant:

20 § 2. The opening paragraph of subdivision 5 of section 530.12 of the  
21 criminal procedure law, as amended by chapter 9 of the laws of 2011, is  
22 amended to read as follows:

23 Upon sentencing on a conviction for any crime or violation between  
24 spouses, between a parent and child, or between members of the same  
25 family or household as defined in subdivision one of section 530.11 of  
26 this article, the court may in addition to any other disposition,  
27 including a conditional discharge or youthful offender adjudication,  
28 enter an order of protection. Where a temporary order of protection was  
29 issued, the court shall state on the record the reasons for issuing or  
30 not issuing an order of protection. The duration of such an order shall  
31 be fixed by the court and, in the case of a felony conviction, shall not  
32 exceed the greater of: (i) five years from the date of such sentencing,  
33 or (ii) three years from the date of the expiration of the maximum term  
34 of an indeterminate sentence of imprisonment actually imposed, or (iii)  
35 the lifetime of the defendant or the victim, whichever is shorter, in  
36 the case of a conviction for any felony under article one hundred twen-  
37 ty, one hundred twenty-five, one hundred thirty, one hundred thirty-five  
38 or two hundred sixty-three or section 255.25, 255.26 or 255.27 of the  
39 penal law, or an attempt to commit any felony under such articles or  
40 sections; or in the case of a conviction for a class A misdemeanor,  
41 shall not exceed three years from the date of such sentencing; or in the  
42 case of a conviction for any other offense, shall not exceed one year  
43 from the date of sentencing. For purposes of determining the duration of  
44 an order of protection entered pursuant to this subdivision, a  
45 conviction shall be deemed to include a conviction that has been  
46 replaced by a youthful offender adjudication. In addition to any other  
47 conditions, such an order may require the defendant:

48 § 3. The opening paragraph of subdivision 4 of section 530.13 of the  
49 criminal procedure law, as amended by chapter 240 of the laws of 2015,  
50 is amended to read as follows:

51 Upon sentencing on a conviction for any offense, where the court has  
52 not issued an order of protection pursuant to section 530.12 of this  
53 article, the court may, in addition to any other disposition, including  
54 a conditional discharge or youthful offender adjudication, enter an  
55 order of protection. Where a temporary order of protection was issued,  
56 the court shall state on the record the reasons for issuing or not issu-

1 ing an order of protection. The duration of such an order shall be fixed  
2 by the court and; (A) in the case of a felony conviction, shall not  
3 exceed the greater of: (i) eight years from the date of such sentenc-  
4 ing[~~, except where the sentence is or includes a sentence of probation~~  
5 ~~on a conviction for a felony sexual assault, as provided in subparagraph~~  
6 ~~(iii) of paragraph (a) of subdivision three of section 65.00 of the~~  
7 ~~penal law, in which case, ten years from the date of such sentencing]~~,  
8 or (ii) eight years from the date of the expiration of the maximum term  
9 of an indeterminate or the term of a determinate sentence of imprison-  
10 ment actually imposed, or (iii) the lifetime of the defendant or the  
11 victim, whichever is shorter, in the case of a conviction for any felony  
12 under article one hundred twenty, one hundred twenty-five, one hundred  
13 thirty, one hundred thirty-five or two hundred sixty-three or section  
14 255.25, 255.26 or 255.27 of the penal law, or an attempt to commit any  
15 felony under such articles or sections; or (B) in the case of a  
16 conviction for a class A misdemeanor, shall not exceed the greater of:  
17 (i) five years from the date of such sentencing, except where the  
18 sentence is or includes a sentence of probation on a conviction for a  
19 misdemeanor sexual assault, as provided in subparagraph (ii) of para-  
20 graph (b) of subdivision three of section 65.00 of the penal law, in  
21 which case, six years from the date of such sentencing or (ii) five  
22 years from the date of the expiration of the maximum term of a definite  
23 or intermittent term actually imposed; or (C) in the case of a  
24 conviction for any other offense, shall not exceed the greater of: (i)  
25 two years from the date of sentencing, or (ii) two years from the date  
26 of the expiration of the maximum term of a definite or intermittent term  
27 actually imposed. For purposes of determining the duration of an order  
28 of protection entered pursuant to this subdivision, a conviction shall  
29 be deemed to include a conviction that has been replaced by a youthful  
30 offender adjudication. In addition to any other conditions such an  
31 order may require that the defendant:

32 § 4. The opening paragraph of subdivision 4 of section 530.13 of the  
33 criminal procedure law, as amended by chapter 9 of the laws of 2011, is  
34 amended to read as follows:

35 Upon sentencing on a conviction for any offense, where the court has  
36 not issued an order of protection pursuant to section 530.12 of this  
37 article, the court may, in addition to any other disposition, including  
38 a conditional discharge or youthful offender adjudication, enter an  
39 order of protection. Where a temporary order of protection was issued,  
40 the court shall state on the record the reasons for issuing or not issu-  
41 ing an order of protection. The duration of such an order shall be fixed  
42 by the court and, in the case of a felony conviction, shall not exceed  
43 the greater of: (i) five years from the date of such sentencing, or (ii)  
44 three years from the date of the expiration of the maximum term of an  
45 indeterminate sentence of imprisonment actually imposed, or (iii) the  
46 lifetime of the defendant or the victim, whichever is shorter, in the  
47 case of a conviction for any felony under article one hundred twenty,  
48 one hundred twenty-five, one hundred thirty, one hundred thirty-five or  
49 two hundred sixty-three or section 255.25, 255.26 or 255.27 of the penal  
50 law, or an attempt to commit any felony under such articles or sections;  
51 or in the case of a conviction for a class A misdemeanor, shall not  
52 exceed three years from the date of such sentencing; or in the case of a  
53 conviction for any other offense, shall not exceed one year from the  
54 date of sentencing. For purposes of determining the duration of an order  
55 of protection entered pursuant to this subdivision, a conviction shall  
56 be deemed to include a conviction that has been replaced by a youthful

1 offender adjudication. In addition to any other conditions such an order  
2 may require that the defendant:

3 § 5. The criminal procedure law is amended by adding a new section  
4 530.13-a to read as follows:

5 § 530.13-a Lifetime orders of protection in certain cases.

6 1. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a victim  
7 of any felony under article one hundred twenty, one hundred twenty-five,  
8 one hundred thirty, or one hundred thirty-five or section 255.25, 255.26  
9 or 255.27 of the penal law, or any attempt to commit any such felony  
10 offense, may file a petition for a lifetime order of protection against  
11 the offender who was convicted of such crime in accordance with the  
12 procedures set forth in this section.

13 (b) A petition for a lifetime order of protection pursuant to this  
14 section may be filed by an unemancipated person under eighteen years of  
15 age. Such petition shall be signed by one of the unemancipated person's  
16 parents or guardians. The petition may also be signed by a caseworker at  
17 a not-for-profit organization that receives funds from the office of  
18 children and family services for family violence and child abuse  
19 prevention and shelters; provided, however, that a petition signed by a  
20 caseworker may not be filed against the unemancipated minor's parent or  
21 legal guardian. In such case, unless the court finds that the action  
22 would create a threat of serious harm to the minor, a copy of the peti-  
23 tion and notice of hearing shall also be served on the parents of the  
24 minor child, or if the parents are not living together and jointly  
25 caring for the child, upon the primary custodial parent. In cases before  
26 the family court where the office of children and family services is a  
27 party or where a guardian ad litem has been appointed for the child by  
28 the family court, the petition may be filed by the office or the guardi-  
29 an ad litem.

30 2. Venue for a petition for a lifetime order of protection under this  
31 section is in the county where the respondent resides or the county in  
32 which the offense occurred. If the respondent is not a resident of this  
33 state, the petition may be filed in the county where the petitioner  
34 resides.

35 3. The court shall cause a copy of the petition and notice of the date  
36 set for the hearing on such petition to be served upon the respondent at  
37 least five days prior to the hearing. The notice shall advise the  
38 respondent that such person may be represented by counsel. In every  
39 case, unless the court finds that the action would create a threat of  
40 serious harm to the minor, when a petitioner is under eighteen years of  
41 age, a copy of the petition, and notice of hearing shall also be served  
42 on the parents of the minor child, or in the event that the parents are  
43 not living together and jointly caring for the child, upon the primary  
44 residential parent, pursuant to the requirements of this section.

45 4. At the hearing on the petition, the court shall, if the petitioner  
46 has proved the respondent was convicted of any felony under article one  
47 hundred twenty, one hundred twenty-five, one hundred thirty, one hundred  
48 thirty-five or two hundred sixty-three of the penal law, or an attempt  
49 to commit a felony under such articles and that the petitioner was the  
50 victim of the offense, issue a lifetime order of protection that remains  
51 in effect for the lifetime of the petitioner or the respondent whichever  
52 is shorter. If the petitioner has not provided proof that respondent was  
53 convicted of such an offense and that the petitioner was the victim of  
54 the offense, the court shall dismiss the petition.

55 5. A lifetime order of protection granted under this section shall:

1 (a) prohibit the respondent from coming about the petitioner for any  
2 purpose, from telephoning, contacting, or otherwise communicating with  
3 the petitioner, directly or indirectly;

4 (b) include a statement of the maximum penalty that may be imposed  
5 pursuant to subdivision seven of this section for violating such order;  
6 and

7 (c) be valid and enforceable in any county of this state.

8 6. A lifetime order of protection is effective upon the date of issu-  
9 ance and shall be served within one year of such date.

10 7. (a) Upon violation of a lifetime order of protection, the court may  
11 hold the defendant in civil or criminal contempt and punish the defend-  
12 ant in accordance with the law.

13 (b) In addition to the authorized punishments for contempt of court, a  
14 judge may assess any person who violates a lifetime order of protection  
15 a civil penalty of fifty dollars. The judge may further order that any  
16 support payment made pursuant to an order of protection or a court-ap-  
17 proved consent agreement be made under an income assignment to the clerk  
18 of court. Upon collecting the civil penalty imposed by this subdivision,  
19 the clerk shall, on a monthly basis, send the money to the state comp-  
20 troller who shall deposit it in the domestic violence awareness fund  
21 pursuant to section ninety-seven-yyy of the state finance law as added  
22 by chapter 634 of the laws of 2002.

23 8. An arrest for violation of a lifetime order of protection issued  
24 pursuant to this section may be with or without warrant. A law enforce-  
25 ment officer shall arrest the respondent without a warrant if:

26 (a) the police officer or peace officer has proper jurisdiction over  
27 the area in which the violation occurred;

28 (b) the police officer or peace officer has reasonable cause to  
29 believe the respondent has violated or is in violation of a lifetime  
30 order of protection; and

31 (c) the police officer or peace officer has verified whether a life-  
32 time order of protection is in effect against the respondent. If neces-  
33 sary, the officer may verify the existence of a lifetime order of  
34 protection by telephone or radio communication with the appropriate law  
35 enforcement agency.

36 § 6. This act shall take effect immediately; provided that the amend-  
37 ments to the opening paragraph of subdivision 5 of section 530.12 of the  
38 criminal procedure law made by section one of this act shall be subject  
39 to the expiration and reversion of such paragraph pursuant to subdivi-  
40 sion d of section 74 of chapter 3 of the laws of 1995, as amended, when  
41 upon such date the provisions of section two of this act shall take  
42 effect; and provided further that the amendments to the opening para-  
43 graph of subdivision 4 of section 530.13 of the criminal procedure law  
44 made by section three of this act shall be subject to the expiration and  
45 reversion of such paragraph pursuant to subdivision d of section 74 of  
46 chapter 3 of the laws of 1995, as amended, when upon such date the  
47 provisions of section four of this act shall take effect.