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AN ACT to amend the domestic relations law, the family court act and the  
criminal procedure law, in relation to the scope of orders of  
protection and temporary orders of protection

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEM-  
BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Paragraph b of subdivision 3 of section 240 of the domestic  
2 relations law, as amended by chapter 597 of the laws of 1998, is amended  
3 and a new paragraph i is added to read as follows:  
4 b. An order of protection entered pursuant to this subdivision shall  
5 bear in a conspicuous manner, on the front page of said order, the  
6 language "Order of protection issued pursuant to section two hundred  
7 forty of the domestic relations law". THE ORDER OF PROTECTION SHALL ALSO  
8 CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING NOTICE: "THIS ORDER OF PROTECTION WILL REMAIN IN  
9 EFFECT EVEN IF THE PROTECTED PARTY HAS, OR CONSENTS TO HAVE, CONTACT OR  
10 COMMUNICATION WITH THE PARTY AGAINST WHOM THE ORDER IS ISSUED. THIS  
11 ORDER OF PROTECTION CAN ONLY BE MODIFIED OR TERMINATED BY THE COURT. THE  
12 PROTECTED PARTY CANNOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE THIS ORDER NOR BE ARRESTED FOR  
13 VIOLATING THIS ORDER.". The absence of such language shall not affect  
14 the validity of such order. The presentation of a copy of such an order  
15 to any peace officer acting pursuant to his or her special duties, or  
16 police officer, shall constitute authority, for that officer to arrest a  
17 person when that person has violated the terms of such an order, and  
18 bring such person before the court and, otherwise, so far as lies within  
19 the officer's power, to aid in securing the protection such order was  
20 intended to afford.  
21 I. THE PROTECTED PARTY IN WHOSE FAVOR THE ORDER OF PROTECTION OR  
22 TEMPORARY ORDER OF PROTECTION IS ISSUED MAY NOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE SUCH

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

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1 AN ORDER NOR MAY SUCH PROTECTED PARTY BE ARRESTED FOR VIOLATING SUCH  
2 ORDER.

3 S 2. Subdivision 2 of section 252 of the domestic relations law, as  
4 added by chapter 349 of the laws of 1995, is amended and a new subdivi-  
5 sion 9-a is added to read as follows:

6 2. An order of protection entered pursuant to this subdivision shall  
7 bear in a conspicuous manner, on the front page of said order, the  
8 language "Order of protection issued pursuant to section two hundred  
9 fifty-two of the domestic relations law". THE ORDER OF PROTECTION SHALL  
10 ALSO CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING NOTICE: "THIS ORDER OF PROTECTION WILL REMAIN  
11 IN EFFECT EVEN IF THE PROTECTED PARTY HAS, OR CONSENTS TO HAVE, CONTACT  
12 OR COMMUNICATION WITH THE PARTY AGAINST WHOM THE ORDER IS ISSUED. THIS  
13 ORDER OF PROTECTION CAN ONLY BE MODIFIED OR TERMINATED BY THE COURT. THE  
14 PROTECTED PARTY CANNOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE THIS ORDER NOR BE ARRESTED FOR  
15 VIOLATING THIS ORDER.". The absence of such language shall not affect  
16 the validity of such order. The presentation of a copy of such an order  
17 to any peace officer acting pursuant to his or her special duties, or  
18 police officer, shall constitute authority, for that officer to arrest a  
19 person when that person has violated the terms of such an order, and  
20 bring such person before the court and, otherwise, so far as lies within  
21 the officer's power, to aid in securing the protection such order was  
22 intended to afford.

23 9-A. THE PROTECTED PARTY IN WHOSE FAVOR THE ORDER OF PROTECTION OR  
24 TEMPORARY ORDER OF PROTECTION IS ISSUED MAY NOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE AN  
25 ORDER ISSUED IN HIS OR HER FAVOR NOR MAY SUCH PROTECTED PARTY BE  
26 ARRESTED FOR VIOLATING SUCH ORDER.

27 S 3. Section 155 of the family court act is amended by adding a new  
28 subdivision 3 to read as follows:

29 3. THE PROTECTED PARTY IN WHOSE FAVOR THE ORDER OF PROTECTION OR  
30 TEMPORARY ORDER OF PROTECTION IS ISSUED MAY NOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE AN  
31 ORDER ISSUED IN HIS OR HER FAVOR NOR MAY SUCH PROTECTED PARTY BE  
32 ARRESTED FOR VIOLATING SUCH ORDER.

33 S 4. Subdivision 3 of section 168 of the family court act, as added by  
34 chapter 164 of the laws of 1989, is amended to read as follows:

35 3. Any order of protection or temporary order of protection issued by  
36 the family court shall bear, in a conspicuous manner, the language, as  
37 the case may be, "this order constitutes an order of protection" or  
38 "this order constitutes a temporary order of protection", on the front  
39 page of said order. THE ORDER OF PROTECTION OR TEMPORARY ORDER OF  
40 PROTECTION SHALL ALSO CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING NOTICE: "THIS ORDER OF  
41 PROTECTION WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT EVEN IF THE PROTECTED PARTY HAS, OR  
42 CONSENTS TO HAVE, CONTACT OR COMMUNICATION WITH THE PARTY AGAINST WHOM  
43 THE ORDER IS ISSUED. THIS ORDER OF PROTECTION CAN ONLY BE MODIFIED OR  
44 TERMINATED BY THE COURT. THE PROTECTED PARTY CANNOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE  
45 THIS ORDER NOR BE ARRESTED FOR VIOLATING THIS ORDER.". The absence of  
46 such language shall not affect the validity of such order.

47 S 5. Section 446 of the family court act is amended by adding a new  
48 closing paragraph to read as follows:

49 THE PROTECTED PARTY IN WHOSE FAVOR THE ORDER OF PROTECTION OR TEMPO-  
50 RARY ORDER OF PROTECTION IS ISSUED MAY NOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE AN ORDER  
51 ISSUED IN HIS OR HER FAVOR NOR MAY SUCH PROTECTED PARTY BE ARRESTED FOR  
52 VIOLATING SUCH ORDER.

53 S 6. Section 551 of the family court act is amended by adding a new  
54 closing paragraph to read as follows:

55 THE PROTECTED PARTY IN WHOSE FAVOR THE ORDER OF PROTECTION OR TEMPO-  
56 RARY ORDER OF PROTECTION IS ISSUED MAY NOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE AN ORDER

1 ISSUED IN HIS OR HER FAVOR NOR MAY SUCH PROTECTED PARTY BE ARRESTED FOR  
2 VIOLATING SUCH ORDER.

3 S 7. Section 656 of the family court act is amended by adding a new  
4 closing paragraph to read as follows:

5 THE PROTECTED PARTY IN WHOSE FAVOR THE ORDER OF PROTECTION OR TEMPO-  
6 RARY ORDER OF PROTECTION IS ISSUED MAY NOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE AN ORDER  
7 ISSUED IN HIS OR HER FAVOR NOR MAY SUCH PROTECTED PARTY BE ARRESTED FOR  
8 VIOLATING SUCH ORDER.

9 S 8. Section 759 of the family court act is amended by adding a new  
10 closing paragraph to read as follows:

11 THE PROTECTED PARTY IN WHOSE FAVOR THE ORDER OF PROTECTION OR TEMPO-  
12 RARY ORDER OF PROTECTION IS ISSUED MAY NOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE AN ORDER  
13 ISSUED IN HIS OR HER FAVOR NOR MAY SUCH PROTECTED PARTY BE ARRESTED FOR  
14 VIOLATING SUCH ORDER.

15 S 9. Section 842 of the family court act is amended by adding a new  
16 closing paragraph to read as follows:

17 THE PROTECTED PARTY IN WHOSE FAVOR THE ORDER OF PROTECTION OR TEMPO-  
18 RARY ORDER OF PROTECTION IS ISSUED MAY NOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE AN ORDER  
19 ISSUED IN HIS OR HER FAVOR NOR MAY SUCH PROTECTED PARTY BE ARRESTED FOR  
20 VIOLATING SUCH ORDER.

21 S 10. Section 846 of the family court act is amended by adding a new  
22 subdivision (a-1) to read as follows:

23 (A-1) THE PROTECTED PARTY IN WHOSE FAVOR THE ORDER OF PROTECTION OR  
24 TEMPORARY ORDER OF PROTECTION IS ISSUED MAY NOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE AN  
25 ORDER ISSUED IN HIS OR HER FAVOR NOR MAY SUCH PROTECTED PARTY BE  
26 ARRESTED FOR VIOLATING SUCH ORDER.

27 S 11. Section 1056 of the family court act is amended by adding a new  
28 subdivision 7 to read as follows:

29 7. THE PROTECTED PARTY IN WHOSE FAVOR THE ORDER OF PROTECTION OR  
30 TEMPORARY ORDER OF PROTECTION IS ISSUED MAY NOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE AN  
31 ORDER ISSUED IN HIS OR HER FAVOR NOR MAY SUCH PROTECTED PARTY BE  
32 ARRESTED FOR VIOLATING SUCH ORDER.

33 S 12. Subdivision 4 of section 140.10 of the criminal procedure law is  
34 amended by adding a new second undesignated paragraph to read as  
35 follows:

36 THE PROTECTED PARTY IN WHOSE FAVOR THE ORDER OF PROTECTION OR TEMPO-  
37 RARY ORDER OF PROTECTION IS ISSUED MAY NOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE AN ORDER  
38 ISSUED IN HIS OR HER FAVOR NOR MAY SUCH PROTECTED PARTY BE ARRESTED FOR  
39 VIOLATING SUCH ORDER.

40 S 13. Subdivisions 6 and 8 of section 530.12 of the criminal procedure  
41 law, subdivision 6 as amended by chapter 164 of the laws of 1989, the  
42 closing paragraph of subdivision 6 as added by chapter 222 of the laws  
43 of 1994 and subdivision 8 as amended by section 81 of subpart B of part  
44 C of chapter 62 of the laws of 2011, are amended to read as follows:

45 6. An order of protection or a temporary order of protection issued  
46 pursuant to subdivision one, two, three, four or five of this section  
47 shall bear in a conspicuous manner the term "order of protection" or  
48 "temporary order of protection" as the case may be and a copy shall be  
49 filed by the clerk of the court with the sheriff's office in the county  
50 in which the complainant resides, or, if the complainant resides within  
51 a city, with the police department of such city. THE ORDER OF  
52 PROTECTION OR TEMPORARY ORDER OF PROTECTION SHALL ALSO CONTAIN THE  
53 FOLLOWING NOTICE: "THIS ORDER OF PROTECTION WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT EVEN  
54 IF THE PROTECTED PARTY HAS, OR CONSENTS TO HAVE, CONTACT OR COMMUNI-  
55 CATION WITH THE PARTY AGAINST WHOM THE ORDER IS ISSUED. THIS ORDER OF  
56 PROTECTION CAN ONLY BE MODIFIED OR TERMINATED BY THE COURT. THE

1 PROTECTED PARTY CANNOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE THIS ORDER NOR BE ARRESTED FOR  
2 VIOLATING THIS ORDER.". The absence of such language shall not affect  
3 the validity of such order. A copy of such order of protection or  
4 temporary order of protection may from time to time be filed by the  
5 clerk of the court with any other police department or sheriff's office  
6 having jurisdiction of the residence, work place, and school of anyone  
7 intended to be protected by such order. A copy of the order may also be  
8 filed by the complainant at the appropriate police department or sher-  
9 iff's office having jurisdiction. Any subsequent amendment or revocation  
10 of such order shall be filed in the same manner as herein provided.

11 Such order of protection shall plainly state the date that such order  
12 expires.

13 8. In any proceeding in which an order of protection or temporary  
14 order of protection or a warrant has been issued under this section, the  
15 clerk of the court shall issue to the complainant and defendant and  
16 defense counsel and to any other person affected by the order a copy of  
17 the order of protection or temporary order of protection and ensure that  
18 a copy of the order of protection or temporary order of protection be  
19 transmitted to the local correctional facility where the individual is  
20 or will be detained, the state or local correctional facility where the  
21 individual is or will be imprisoned, and the supervising probation  
22 department or department of corrections and community supervision where  
23 the individual is under probation or parole supervision. The presenta-  
24 tion of a copy of such order or a warrant to any peace officer acting  
25 pursuant to his or her special duties or police officer shall constitute  
26 authority for him or her to arrest a person who has violated the terms  
27 of such order and bring such person before the court and, otherwise, so  
28 far as lies within his or her power, to aid in securing the protection  
29 such order was intended to afford. THE PROTECTED PARTY IN WHOSE FAVOR  
30 THE ORDER OF PROTECTION OR TEMPORARY ORDER OF PROTECTION IS ISSUED MAY  
31 NOT BE HELD TO VIOLATE AN ORDER ISSUED IN HIS OR HER FAVOR NOR MAY SUCH  
32 PROTECTED PARTY BE ARRESTED FOR VIOLATING SUCH ORDER.

33 S 14. Severability clause. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdi-  
34 vision, section or part of this act shall be adjudged by a court of  
35 competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect,  
36 impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its  
37 operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or  
38 part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment  
39 shall have been rendered. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the  
40 legislature that this act would have been enacted even if such invalid  
41 provisions had not been included herein.

42 S 15. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to all  
43 orders of protection regardless of when such orders were issued, except  
44 that:

45 (a) the amendments to paragraph b of subdivision 3 of section 240 of  
46 the domestic relations law made by section one of this act, the amend-  
47 ments to subdivision 2 of section 252 of the domestic relations law made  
48 by section two of this act, the amendments to subdivision 3 of section  
49 168 of the family court act made by section four of this act, and the  
50 amendments to subdivision 6 of section 530.12 of the criminal procedure  
51 law made by section thirteen of this act shall take effect on the nine-  
52 tieth day after this act shall have become a law, and shall apply to  
53 orders of protection issued on or after such effective date; and

54 (b) the amendments to subdivision 4 of section 140.10 of the criminal  
55 procedure law, made by section twelve of this act, shall not affect the  
56 repeal of such subdivision, and shall be deemed repealed therewith.