# STATE OF NEW YORK

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# IN ASSEMBLY

March 6, 2026

Introduced by M. of A. WALSH -- read once and referred to the Committee on Judiciary

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

**The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:**

Section 1. Paragraphs (e) and (f) of subdivision 1 of section 812 of the family court act, as amended by chapter 541 of the laws of 2024, are amended and a new paragraph (g) is added to read as follows:

(e) persons who are not related by consanguinity or affinity and who are or have been in an intimate relationship regardless of whether such persons have lived together at any time. Factors the court may consider in determining whether a relationship is an "intimate relationship" include but are not limited to: the nature or type of relationship, regardless of whether the relationship is sexual in nature; the frequency of interaction between the persons; and the duration of the relationship. Neither a casual acquaintance nor ordinary fraternization between two individuals in business or social contexts shall be deemed to constitute an "intimate relationship"; [~~and~~]

(f) persons who are related by consanguinity or affinity to parties who are or have been in an intimate relationship as defined in paragraph (e) of this subdivision[~~.~~]*; and*

***(g) persons who are not related by consanguinity or affinity, where one such person is the spouse or intimate partner of such other person's former spouse or former intimate partner. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term "intimate partner" shall mean a relationship where two individuals are in an intimate relationship, as defined by paragraph (e) of this subdivision.***

§ 2. Paragraphs (e) and (f) of subdivision 1 of section 530.11 of the criminal procedure law, as amended by chapter 541 of the laws of 2024, are amended and a new paragraph (g) is added to read as follows:

(e) persons who are not related by consanguinity or affinity and who are or have been in an intimate relationship regardless of whether such persons have lived together at any time. Factors the court may consider

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

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(f) persons who are related by consanguinity or affinity to parties who are or have been in an intimate relationship as defined in paragraph (e) of this subdivision[~~.~~]**; and**

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§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.