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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. HINCHEY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the civil practice law and rules, in relation to including consideration of evidence of recent acts of aggravated cruelty to animals as a factor to be considered when determining whether grounds for a temporary extreme risk protection order exist

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

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 6342 of the civil practice law
2 and rules, as added by chapter 19 of the laws of 2019, is amended to
3 read as follows:
- 4 2. In determining whether grounds for a temporary extreme risk
5 protection order exist, the court shall consider any relevant factors
6 including, but not limited to, the following acts of the respondent:
- 7 (a) a threat or act of violence or use of physical force directed
8 toward self, the petitioner, or another person;
- 9 (b) a violation or alleged violation of an order of protection;
- 10 (c) any pending charge or conviction for an offense involving the use
11 of a weapon;
- 12 (d) the reckless use, display or brandishing of a firearm, rifle or
13 shotgun;
- 14 (e) any history of a violation of an extreme risk protection order;
- 15 (f) evidence of recent or ongoing abuse of controlled substances or
16 alcohol; ~~[or]~~
- 17 (g) evidence of recent acquisition of a firearm, rifle, shotgun or
18 other deadly weapon or dangerous instrument, or any ammunition there-
19 for~~[-]~~; or
- 20 (h) evidence of recent acts of aggravated cruelty to animals as
21 defined in section three hundred fifty-three-a of the agriculture and
22 markets law.

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

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1 In considering the factors under this subdivision, the court shall
2 consider the time that has elapsed since the occurrence of such act or
3 acts and the age of the person at the time of the occurrence of such act
4 or acts.

5 For the purposes of this subdivision, "recent" means within the six
6 months prior to the date the petition was filed.

7 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.