
DIGEST

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HB 557 Engrossed

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Abstract: Provides relative to the purpose and scope of the La. Protective Order Registry.

Present law provides for the creation of the La. Protective Order Registry in order to provide a statewide registry for abuse prevention orders to prevent domestic abuse, dating violence, stalking, and sexual assault and to aid law enforcement, prosecutors, and the courts in handling such matters.

Proposed law retains present law and clarifies that the registry exists to also protect victims and witnesses and to prevent crimes of violence.

Present law provides that the registry encompasses temporary restraining orders, protective orders, preliminary injunctions, permanent injunctions, and court-approved consent agreements resulting from actions brought pursuant to present law, or peace bonds pursuant to present law, or as part of the disposition, sentence, or bail condition of a criminal matter pursuant to present law as long as such order is issued for the purpose of preventing violent or threatening acts or harassment against, contact or communication with, or physical proximity to, another person to prevent domestic abuse, stalking, dating violence, or sexual assault.

Proposed law amends present law to include within the registry any other issue ancillary to a criminal matter pursuant to present law (R.S. 46:1846 or C.Cr.P. Arts. 320 or 871.1) or any other lawfully issued Uniform Abuse Prevention Order.

Proposed law removes language relative to an order that is issued for the purpose of preventing violent or threatening acts or harassment against, contact or communication with, or physical proximity to, another person to prevent domestic abuse, stalking, dating violence, or sexual assault.

Proposed law removes references to repealed provisions of present law.

(Amends R.S. 46:2136.2(A) and (B))