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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Authorizes the court to order that a defendant convicted of stalking be prohibited from possessing a firearm for the duration of the Uniform Abuse Prevention Order.

Present law provides, relative to the crime of stalking, that the court may, in addition to any penalties imposed pursuant to present law, grant a protective order which directs the defendant to refrain from abusing, harassing, interfering with the victim or the employment of the victim, or being physically present within a certain distance of the victim.

Proposed law retains present law and authorizes the court to order that the defendant be prohibited from possessing a firearm for the duration of the Uniform Abuse Prevention Order.

Present law prohibits any person who has been convicted of domestic abuse battery, a second or subsequent offense of battery of a dating partner, or battery of a dating partner when the offense involves strangulation or burning, from possessing a firearm or carrying a concealed weapon.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the crime of stalking (R.S. 14:40.2) to this list of crimes the conviction of which results in the prohibition of the possession of a firearm.

(Adds R.S. 14:40.2(F)(5) and 95.10(A)(5))