

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1293

5 By: Representative Pickett
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO ALLOW A CIRCUIT COURT TO EXTEND THE
10 DURATION OF AN ORDER OF PROTECTION; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-15-205 is amended to read as follows:
22 9-15-205. Relief generally - Duration.

23 (a) At the hearing on the petition, the circuit court may provide the
24 following relief:

25 (1) Exclude the abusing party from the dwelling which the
26 parties share or from the residence of the petitioner or victim;

27 (2) Exclude the abusing party from the place of business or
28 employment, school, or other location of the petitioner or victim;

29 (3) Award temporary custody or establish temporary visitation
30 rights with regard to minor children of the parties;

31 (4) Order temporary support for minor children or a spouse, with
32 such support to be enforced in the manner prescribed by law for other child
33 support and alimony awards;

34 (5) Allow the prevailing party a reasonable attorney's fee as
35 part of the costs;

36 (6) Prohibit the abusing party directly or through an agent from



1 contacting the petitioner or victim except under specific conditions named in
2 the order; and

3 (7)(A) Order such other relief as the circuit court deems
4 necessary or appropriate for the protection of a family or household member.

5 (B) The relief may include, but not be limited to,
6 enjoining and restraining the abusing party from doing, attempting to do, or
7 threatening to do any act injuring, mistreating, molesting, or harassing the
8 petitioner.

9 (b) Any relief granted by the circuit court for protection under the
10 provisions of this chapter shall be for a fixed period of time not less than
11 ninety (90) days nor more than ~~two (2)~~ ten (10) years in duration, in the
12 discretion of the circuit court, and may be renewed at a subsequent hearing
13 upon proof and a finding by the circuit court that the threat of domestic
14 abuse still exists.

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