

AN ACT

relating to certain conditions of, penalties for violating, and collection of information about protective orders issued in certain family violence, sexual assault or abuse, stalking, or trafficking cases.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. The heading to Chapter 7A, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 7A. PROTECTIVE ORDER FOR ~~[CERTAIN]~~ VICTIMS OF ~~[TRAFFICKING OR]~~ SEXUAL ASSAULT OR ABUSE, STALKING, OR TRAFFICKING

SECTION 2. Subsection (a), Article 7A.05, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

(a) In a protective order issued under this chapter, the court may:

(1) order the alleged offender to take action as specified by the court that the court determines is necessary or appropriate to prevent or reduce the likelihood of future harm to the applicant or a member of the applicant's family or household; or

(2) prohibit the alleged offender from:

(A) communicating:

(i) directly or indirectly with the applicant or any member of the applicant's family or household in a threatening or harassing manner; or

(ii) in any manner with the applicant or any

1 member of the applicant's family or household except through the  
2 applicant's attorney or a person appointed by the court, if the  
3 court finds good cause for the prohibition;

4 (B) going to or near the residence, place of  
5 employment or business, or child-care facility or school of the  
6 applicant or any member of the applicant's family or household;

7 (C) engaging in conduct directed specifically  
8 toward the applicant or any member of the applicant's family or  
9 household, including following the person, that is reasonably  
10 likely to harass, annoy, alarm, abuse, torment, or embarrass the  
11 person; and

12 (D) possessing a firearm, unless the alleged  
13 offender is a peace officer, as defined by Section 1.07, Penal Code,  
14 actively engaged in employment as a sworn, full-time paid employee  
15 of a state agency or political subdivision.

16 SECTION 3. Subsections (b) and (g), Section 411.042,  
17 Government Code, are amended to read as follows:

18 (b) The bureau of identification and records shall:

19 (1) procure and file for record photographs, pictures,  
20 descriptions, fingerprints, measurements, and other pertinent  
21 information of all persons arrested for or charged with a criminal  
22 offense or convicted of a criminal offense, regardless of whether  
23 the conviction is probated;

24 (2) collect information concerning the number and  
25 nature of offenses reported or known to have been committed in the  
26 state and the legal steps taken in connection with the offenses, and  
27 other information useful in the study of crime and the

administration of justice, including information that enables the bureau to create a statistical breakdown of:

(A) offenses in which family violence was involved;

(B) offenses under Sections 22.011 and 22.021, Penal Code; and

(C) offenses under Sections 20A.02 and 43.05, Penal Code;

(3) make ballistic tests of bullets and firearms and chemical analyses of bloodstains, cloth, materials, and other substances for law enforcement officers of the state;

(4) cooperate with identification and crime records bureaus in other states and the United States Department of Justice;

(5) maintain a list of all previous background checks for applicants for any position regulated under Chapter 1702, Occupations Code, who have undergone a criminal history background check under Section 411.119, if the check indicates a Class B misdemeanor or equivalent offense or a greater offense;

(6) collect information concerning the number and nature of protective orders and all other pertinent information about all persons on active protective orders, including pertinent information about persons subject to conditions of bond imposed for the protection of the victim in any family violence, sexual assault or abuse, or stalking case. Information in the law enforcement information system relating to an active protective order shall include:

1 (A) the name, sex, race, date of birth, personal  
2 descriptors, address, and county of residence of the person to whom  
3 the order is directed;

4 (B) any known identifying number of the person to  
5 whom the order is directed, including the person's social security  
6 number or driver's license number;

7 (C) the name and county of residence of the  
8 person protected by the order;

9 (D) the residence address and place of employment  
10 or business of the person protected by the order, unless that  
11 information is excluded from the order under Section 85.007, Family  
12 Code;

13 (E) the child-care facility or school where a  
14 child protected by the order normally resides or which the child  
15 normally attends, unless that information is excluded from the  
16 order under Section 85.007, Family Code;

17 (F) the relationship or former relationship  
18 between the person who is protected by the order and the person to  
19 whom the order is directed; ~~and~~

20 (G) the conditions of bond imposed on the person  
21 to whom the order is directed, if any, for the protection of a  
22 victim in any family violence, sexual assault or abuse, or stalking  
23 case; and

24 (H) the date the order expires;

25 (7) grant access to criminal history record  
26 information in the manner authorized under Subchapter F;

27 (8) collect and disseminate information regarding

1 offenders with mental impairments in compliance with Chapter 614,  
2 Health and Safety Code; and

3 (9) record data and maintain a state database for a  
4 computerized criminal history record system and computerized  
5 juvenile justice information system that serves:

6 (A) as the record creation point for criminal  
7 history record information and juvenile justice information  
8 maintained by the state; and

9 (B) as the control terminal for the entry of  
10 records, in accordance with federal law and regulations, federal  
11 executive orders, and federal policy, into the federal database  
12 maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

13 (g) The department may adopt reasonable rules under this  
14 section relating to:

15 (1) law enforcement information systems maintained by  
16 the department;

17 (2) the collection, maintenance, and correction of  
18 records;

19 (3) reports of criminal history information submitted  
20 to the department;

21 (4) active protective orders [~~issued under Title 4,~~  
22 ~~Family Code,~~] and reporting procedures that ensure that information  
23 relating to the issuance and dismissal of an active protective  
24 order [~~and to the dismissal of an active protective order~~] is  
25 reported to the local law enforcement agency at the time of the  
26 order's issuance or dismissal and entered by the local law  
27 enforcement agency in the state's law enforcement information

1 system;

2 (5) the collection of information described by  
3 Subsection (h); ~~and~~

4 (6) a system for providing criminal history record  
5 information through the criminal history clearinghouse under  
6 Section 411.0845; and

7 (7) active conditions of bond imposed on a defendant  
8 for the protection of a victim in any family violence, sexual  
9 assault or abuse, or stalking case, and reporting procedures that  
10 ensure that information relating to the issuance, modification, or  
11 removal of the conditions of bond is reported, at the time of the  
12 issuance, modification, or removal, to:

13 (A) the victim or, if the victim is deceased, a  
14 close relative of the victim; and

15 (B) the local law enforcement agency for entry by  
16 the local law enforcement agency in the state's law enforcement  
17 information system.

18 SECTION 4. The heading to Section 25.07, Penal Code, is  
19 amended to read as follows:

20 Sec. 25.07. VIOLATION OF CERTAIN COURT ORDERS OR CONDITIONS  
21 OF BOND IN A FAMILY VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT OR ABUSE, OR STALKING  
22 CASE.

23 SECTION 5. Subsection (a), Section 25.07, Penal Code, is  
24 amended to read as follows:

25 (a) A person commits an offense if, in violation of a  
26 condition of bond set in a family violence, sexual assault or abuse,  
27 or stalking case and related to the safety of a [the] victim or the

1 safety of the community, an order issued under Article 17.292, Code  
2 of Criminal Procedure, an order issued under Section 6.504, Family  
3 Code, Chapter 83, Family Code, if the temporary ex parte order has  
4 been served on the person, or Chapter 85, Family Code, or an order  
5 issued by another jurisdiction as provided by Chapter 88, Family  
6 Code, the person knowingly or intentionally:

7           (1) commits family violence or an act in furtherance  
8 of an offense under Section 22.011, 22.021, or 42.072;

9           (2) communicates:

10               (A) directly with a protected individual or a  
11 member of the family or household in a threatening or harassing  
12 manner;

13               (B) a threat through any person to a protected  
14 individual or a member of the family or household; or

15               (C) in any manner with the protected individual  
16 or a member of the family or household except through the person's  
17 attorney or a person appointed by the court, if the violation is of  
18 an order described by this subsection and the order prohibits any  
19 communication with a protected individual or a member of the family  
20 or household;

21           (3) goes to or near any of the following places as  
22 specifically described in the order or condition of bond:

23               (A) the residence or place of employment or  
24 business of a protected individual or a member of the family or  
25 household; or

26               (B) any child care facility, residence, or school  
27 where a child protected by the order or condition of bond normally

1 resides or attends;

2 (4) possesses a firearm; or

3 (5) harms, threatens, or interferes with the care,  
4 custody, or control of a pet, companion animal, or assistance  
5 animal that is possessed by a person protected by the order.

6 SECTION 6. Subsection (b), Section 25.07, Penal Code, is  
7 amended by adding Subdivisions (4), (5), and (6) to read as follows:

8 (4) "Sexual abuse" means any act as described by  
9 Section 21.02 or 21.11.

10 (5) "Sexual assault" means any act as described by  
11 Section 22.011 or 22.021.

12 (6) "Stalking" means any conduct that constitutes an  
13 offense under Section 42.072.

14 SECTION 7. The heading to Section 38.112, Penal Code, is  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Sec. 38.112. VIOLATION OF PROTECTIVE ORDER ISSUED ON BASIS  
17 OF SEXUAL ASSAULT OR ABUSE, STALKING, OR TRAFFICKING.

18 SECTION 8. Subsection (a), Section 38.112, Penal Code, is  
19 amended to read as follows:

20 (a) A person commits an offense if, in violation of an order  
21 issued under Chapter 7A, Code of Criminal Procedure, the person  
22 knowingly:

23 (1) communicates:

24 (A) directly or indirectly with the applicant or  
25 any member of the applicant's family or household in a threatening  
26 or harassing manner; or

27 (B) in any manner with the applicant or any



1 member of the applicant's family or household except through the  
2 applicant's attorney or a person appointed by the court;

3 (2) goes to or near the residence, place of employment  
4 or business, or child-care facility or school of the applicant or  
5 any member of the applicant's family or household; or

6 (3) possesses a firearm.

7 SECTION 9. The changes in law made by this Act in amending  
8 Sections 25.07 and 38.112, Penal Code, apply only to an offense  
9 committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An offense  
10 committed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the  
11 law in effect on the date the offense was committed, and the former  
12 law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this  
13 subsection, an offense was committed before the effective date of  
14 this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

15 SECTION 10. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 893 passed the Senate on April 25, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 22, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 893 passed the House, with amendment, on May 17, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 134, Nays 0, two present not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

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Governor