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AN ACT

D.C. ACT 10-380

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

DECEMBER 27, 1994

To amend title 16 of the District of Columbia Code to extend the remedies for intrafamily offenses to those in romantic relationships and to establish a misdemeanor penalty for violating a protection order.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Domestic Violence in Romantic Relationships Act of 1994".

Sec. 2. Title 16 of the District of Columbia Code is amended as follows:

(a) Section 16-1001(5) is amended to read as follows:

Section 16-1001

"(5) The term "intrafamily offense" means an act punishable as a criminal offense committed by an offender upon a person:

"(A) to whom the offender is related by blood, legal custody, marriage, having a child in common, or with whom the offender shares or has shared a mutual residence; or

"(B) with whom the offender maintains or maintained a romantic relationship not necessarily including a sexual relationship. A person seeking a protection order under this subparagraph shall reside in the District of Columbia or the underlying intrafamily offense shall have occurred in the District of Columbia."

(b) Section 16-1003 is amended by adding a new subsection (d) to read as follows:

Section 16-1003

"(d) An action for an intrafamily offense under section 16-1001(5)(B) shall not be brought more than 2 years from the date the right to maintain the action accrues."

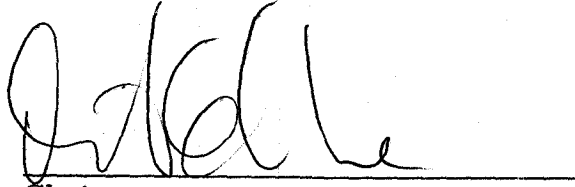
(b) Section 16-1005 is amended by adding a new subsection (g) to read as follows:

Section 16-1005

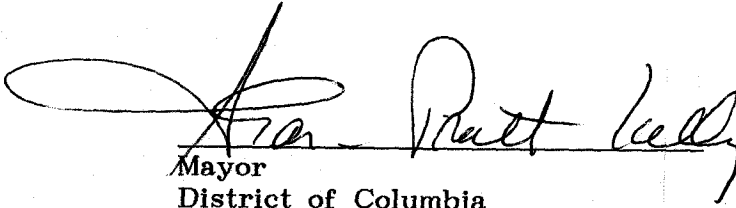
"(g) Any person who violates any protection order issued under this chapter shall be chargeable with a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 180 days, or both."

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect after a 30-day period of Congressional review following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council of the District of Columbia to override of the veto) as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code § 1-223(c)(1)),

and publication in either the District of Columbia Register, the District of Columbia Statutes-at-Large, or the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations.



Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia



Mayor
District of Columbia

APPROVED: December 27, 1994



COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Council Period Ten

RECORD OF OFFICIAL COUNCIL VOTE

DOCKET NO: B10-477

X Item on Consent Calendar

X ACTION & DATE: Adopted First Reading, 11-1-94

X VOICE VOTE: Approved

Recorded vote on request

Absent: Barry

ROLL CALL VOTE - RESULT

Table with 15 columns: COUNCIL MEMBER, AYE, NAY, N.V., A.B. and 5 rows of member names: CHMN. CLARKE, BARRY, BRAZIL, CHAVOUS, CROPP, EVANS, JARVIS, LIGHTFOOT, MASON, NATHANSON, RAY, SMITH, JR., THOMAS, SR.

X - Indicates Vote A.B. - Absent N.V. - Present, not voting

CERTIFICATION RECORD

Secretary to the Council

Date December 13, 1994

Item on Consent Calendar

X ACTION & DATE: Adopted Final Reading, 12-6-94

X VOICE VOTE: Approved

Recorded vote on request

Absent: Jarvis, Lightfoot and Thomas

ROLL CALL VOTE - RESULT

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