

HB0971/362113/1

BY: House Judiciary Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 971
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 8, strike “4-506(h)” and substitute “4-506(b) and (h)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 14, insert:

“(b) (1) (i) The temporary protective order shall state the date and time of the final protective order hearing.

(ii) Unless continued for good cause, the final protective order hearing shall be held no later than 7 days after the temporary protective order is served on the respondent.

(2) The temporary protective order shall include notice to the respondent:

(i) in at least 10–point bold type, that if the respondent fails to appear at the final protective order hearing, the respondent may be served by first–class mail at the respondent’s last known address with the final protective order and all other notices concerning the final protective order;

(ii) specifying all the possible forms of relief under subsection (d) of this section that the final protective order may contain;

(iii) that the final protective order shall be effective for the period stated in the order, not to exceed [12 months] **1 YEAR OR, UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (H)(2) OF THIS SECTION, 2 YEARS.**

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unless the judge extends the term of the order[,] under § 4–507(a)(2) of this subtitle or the court issues a permanent order under subsection (i) of this section; and

(iv) in at least 10–point bold type, that the respondent must notify the court in writing of any change of address.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, strike beginning with “**IF**” in line 18 down through the second “**THE**” in line 21 and substitute “**ALL RELIEF GRANTED IN A**”.

On page 2, in line 2, after “**YEARS**” insert “**IF:**

(I) THE COURT ISSUES A FINAL PROTECTIVE ORDER UNDER THIS SECTION AGAINST A RESPONDENT ON BEHALF OF A PERSON ELIGIBLE FOR RELIEF FOR AN ACT OF ABUSE COMMITTED WITHIN 1 YEAR AFTER THE DATE THAT A PRIOR FINAL PROTECTIVE ORDER ISSUED AGAINST THE SAME RESPONDENT ON BEHALF OF THE SAME PERSON ELIGIBLE FOR RELIEF EXPIRES; AND

(II) THE PRIOR FINAL PROTECTIVE ORDER WAS ISSUED FOR A PERIOD OF AT LEAST 6 MONTHS”.