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By: Charles County Delegation

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Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning
2	Family Law - Temporary Peace and Protective Orders - Duration
3	FOR the purpose of extending the duration of a temporary peace order or a temporary
$\frac{4}{5}$	protective order under certain circumstances; and generally relating to peace orders and protective orders.
6	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7	Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
8	Section 3–1504(c)
9	Annotated Code of Maryland
10	(2006 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)
11	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12	Article – Family Law
13	Section 4–505(c)
14	Annotated Code of Maryland
15	(2006 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)
16	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
17	MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
18	Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
19	3-1504.
20	(c) (1) [The] EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION
21	THE temporary peace order shall be effective for not more than 7 days after service of
22	the order.



- 1 (2) The judge may extend the temporary peace order as needed, but 2 not to exceed 30 days, to effectuate service of the order where necessary to provide 3 protection or for other good cause.
- 4 (3) IF THE COURT IS CLOSED ON THE DAY ON WHICH THE TEMPORARY PEACE ORDER IS DUE TO EXPIRE, THE TEMPORARY PEACE ORDER SHALL BE EFFECTIVE UNTIL THE NEXT DAY ON WHICH THE COURT IS OPEN.

Article - Family Law

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- 9 (c) (1) [The] EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, 10 THE temporary protective order shall be effective for not more than 7 days after 11 service of the order.
- 12 (2) The judge may extend the temporary protective order as needed, 13 but not to exceed 6 months, to effectuate service of the order where necessary to 14 provide protection or for other good cause.
- 15 (3) IF THE COURT IS CLOSED ON THE DAY ON WHICH THE 16 TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE ORDER IS DUE TO EXPIRE, THE TEMPORARY 17 PROTECTIVE ORDER SHALL BE EFFECTIVE UNTIL THE NEXT DAY ON WHICH THE 18 COURT IS OPEN.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2012.