

CHAPTER 2011-146

Senate Bill No. 240

An act relating to violations of injunctions for protection; amending s. 784.047, F.S.; adding circumstances that violate an injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 784.047, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

784.047 Penalties for violating protective injunction against violators. A person who willfully violates an injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence, issued pursuant to s. 784.046, or a foreign protection order accorded full faith and credit pursuant to s. 741.315 by:

- (1) Refusing to vacate the dwelling that the parties share;
- (2) Going to, or being within 500 feet of, the petitioner's residence, school, place of employment, or a specified place frequented regularly by the petitioner and any named family or household member;
- (3) Committing an act of repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence against the petitioner;
- (4) Committing any other violation of the injunction through an intentional unlawful threat, word, or act to do violence to the petitioner; ~~or~~
- (5) Telephoning, contacting, or otherwise communicating with the petitioner directly or indirectly, unless the injunction specifically allows indirect contact through a third party;
- (6) Knowingly and intentionally coming within 100 feet of the petitioner's motor vehicle, whether or not that vehicle is occupied;
- (7) Defacing or destroying the petitioner's personal property, including the petitioner's motor vehicle; or
- (8) Refusing to surrender firearms or ammunition if ordered to do so by the court,

commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.

Approved by the Governor June 17, 2011.

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