CHAPTER 2021-207

Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 583

An act relating to interception of wire, oral, or electronic communications made in violation of protective orders; amending s. 934.03, F.S.; providing an exception to prohibitions on interception and recording of communications when the communication is received in violation of a specified injunction or order; limiting the use of the intercepted communication to evidencing a violation of the specified injunction or order; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (l) is added to subsection (2) of section 934.03, Florida Statutes, to read:

934.03 Interception and disclosure of wire, oral, or electronic communications prohibited.—

(2)

(1) It is lawful under this section and ss. 934.04-934.09 for a person who is protected under an active temporary or final injunction for repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence under s. 784.046; stalking under s. 784.0485; domestic violence under s. 741.30; or any other court-imposed prohibition of conduct toward the person to intercept and record a wire, oral, or electronic communication received in violation of such injunction or court order. A recording authorized under this paragraph may be provided to a law enforcement agency, an attorney, or a court for the purpose of evidencing a violation of an injunction or court order if the subject of the injunction or court order prohibiting contact has been served the injunction or is on notice that the conduct is prohibited. A recording authorized under this paragraph may not be otherwise disseminated or shared.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

Approved by the Governor June 29, 2021.

Filed in Office Secretary of State June 29, 2021.