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FOR THE COURTS, CORRECTIONS AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE; NARROWING THE DEFINITION OF "HOUSEHOLD MEMBER" IN THE CRIMES AGAINST HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS ACT AND THE FAMILY VIOLENCE PROTECTION ACT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 30-3-11 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1995, Chapter 221, Section 2, as amended) is amended to read:

"30-3-11. DEFINITIONS.--As used in the Crimes Against Household Members Act:

"household member" means a spouse, former spouse [or family member, including a relative], parent, present or former stepparent, present or former parent in-law, grandparent, grandparent-in-law, a co-parent of a child or a person with whom a person has had a continuing personal relationship. Cohabitation is not necessary to be deemed a .179358.1GR

T	household member for the purposes of the offmes Against								
2	Household Members Act; and								
3	B. "continuing personal relationship" means a								
4	dating or intimate relationship."								
5	Section 2. Section 40-13-2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1987,								
6	Chapter 286, Section 2, as amended) is amended to read:								
7	"40-13-2. DEFINITIONSAs used in the Family Violence								
8	Protection Act:								
9	A. "continuing personal relationship" means a								
10	dating or intimate relationship;								
11	[A.] B. "co-parents" means persons who have a child								
12	in common, regardless of whether they have been married or have								
13	lived together at any time;								
14	$[rac{B_{ullet}}{C_{ullet}}]$ "court" means the district court of the								
15	judicial district where an alleged victim of domestic abuse								
16	resides or is found;								
17	[C.] <u>D.</u> "domestic abuse":								
18	(l) means an incident of stalking or sexual								
19	assault whether committed by a household member or not;								
20	(2) means an incident by a household member								
21	against another household member consisting of or resulting in:								
22	(a) physical harm;								
23	(b) severe emotional distress;								
24	(c) bodily injury or assault;								
25	(d) a threat causing imminent fear of								

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2	(e) criminal trespass;
3	(f) criminal damage to property;
4	(g) repeatedly driving by a residence or
5	work place;
6	(h) telephone harassment;
7	(i) harassment; or
8	(j) harm or threatened harm to children
9	as set forth in this paragraph; and
10	(3) does not mean the use of force in self-
11	defense or the defense of another;
12	$[\frac{D_{\bullet}}{E_{\bullet}}]$ "household member" means a spouse, former
13	spouse, [family member, including a relative] parent, present
14	or former stepparent, present or former parent in-law,
15	grandparent, grandparent-in-law, child, [or] stepchild,
16	grandchild, co-parent of a child or a person with whom the
17	petitioner has had a continuing personal relationship.
18	Cohabitation is not necessary to be deemed a household member
19	for purposes of this section;
20	$[rac{E_{ullet}}{I}]$ "mutual order of protection" means an order
21	of protection that includes provisions that protect both
22	parties;
23	$[F_{\bullet}]$ G_{\bullet} "order of protection" means an injunction
24	or a restraining or other court order granted for the
25	protection of a victim of domestic abuse;

bodily injury by any household member;

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[\mathbb{H}_{\bullet}] $\underline{\mathbf{I}_{\bullet}}$ "restrained party" means a person who is restrained by an order of protection."

Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the provisions of this act is July 1, 2010.

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