

## **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

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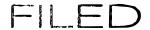
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House Bill No. 2608

(By Delegate(s) Sponaugle and Shott)

Passed March 12, 2015

In effect ninety days from passage.



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H. B. 2608

(BY DELEGATE(S) SPONAUGLE AND SHOTT)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact §48-27-903 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to misdemeanor offenses for violation of protective order; and cleaning up redundant language.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §48-27-903 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 27. PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

§48-27-903. Misdemeanor offenses for violation of protective order; repeat offenses; penalties.

- 1 (a) A person is guilty of a misdemeanor if the person
- 2 knowingly and willfully violates:

- 3 (1) A provision of an emergency or final protective order 4 entered pursuant to:
- 5 (A) Subsection (a) or (b) of section five hundred two of this 6 article;
- 7 (B) If the court has ordered such relief; subsection (2), (7), 8 (9), or (14) of section five hundred three of this article;
- 9 (C) Subsection (b) or (c) of section five hundred nine, article 10 five of this chapter; or (D) subsection (b) or (c) of section six 11 hundred eight, article five of this chapter;
- 12 (2) A condition of bail, probation or parole which has the 13 express intent or effect of protecting the personal safety of a 14 particular person or persons; or
- 15 (3) A restraining order entered pursuant to section nine-a, 16 article two, chapter sixty-one of this code.
- Upon conviction thereof the person shall be confined in jail for a period of not less than one day nor more than one year, which jail term shall include actual confinement of not less than twenty-four hours, and shall be fined not less than \$250 nor more than \$2,000.
- 22 (b) Any person who is convicted of a second offense under 23 subsection (a) of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and, 24 upon conviction thereof, shall be confined in jail for not less than 25 three months nor more than one year, which jail term shall 26 include actual confinement of not less than thirty days, and fined 27 not less than \$500 nor more than \$3,000.
- 28 (c) A respondent who is convicted of a third or subsequent 29 offense under subsection (a) when the violation occurs within ten 30 years of a prior conviction of this offense is guilty of a misde-31 meanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be confined in jail

- 32 not less than six months nor more than one year, which jail term
- 33 shall include actual confinement of not less than six months, and
- 34 fined not less than \$500 nor more than \$4,000.

That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman, House Committee

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Chairman, Senate Committee

Originating in the House.

In effect ninety days from passage.

Clerk of the House of Delegates

Clerk of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Delegates

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day of March	, 2015.	
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President of the Senate

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