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- AN ACT Relating to enacting comprehensive protections for victims 1 2 of domestic violence and other violence involving family members or 3 intimate partners; amending RCW 10.97.050, 10.21.050, 7.105.155, 7.105.255, 7.105.450, 7.105.500, 10.99.020, 10.99.033, 10.99.040, 4 5 10.99.045, 10.99.100, 9.41.340, 9.41.345, 9.41.800, 9.41.801, 9.41.804, 7.105.340, 40.24.030, 42.17A.710, and 10.31.100; reenacting 6 7 and amending RCW 7.105.310 and 10.99.030; adding a new section to chapter 10.99 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 2.56 RCW; adding 8 new sections to chapter 43.101 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 9 2.53 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 7.105 RCW; adding a new 10 section to chapter 43.330 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 43.20A 11 12 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 28B.20 RCW.
- 13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

14 Part I. Lethality Assessments

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 101. A new section is added to chapter 10.99
 RCW to read as follows:
- 17 (1) By July 1, 2024, the department must, through the contractor 18 under subsection (2) of this section, establish the domestic violence 19 lethality hotline to provide an evidence-based standard of practice
- 20 to prevent intimate partner homicide, increase victim safety, and

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enhance collaboration between law enforcement, domestic violence agencies, and service providers across the state.

- (2) The department must contract with an organization to operate the hotline. The department must select the organization through a competitive bidding process and ensure that the selected organization has demonstrated financial stability, meets the qualifications for the duties identified in this section, and does not have any conflicts of interest that would interfere with the duties identified in this section. The department may adopt rules for carrying out this section.
- (3) (a) The hotline must develop or select a lethality assessment instrument and protocol to be used to determine the likelihood that a homicide will be committed by one intimate partner against another. The lethality determination may not be based exclusively on a numeric score, but must be based on a comprehensive picture of the situation and the professional determination of the person conducting the assessment. All lethality assessments must be rooted in evidence-based risk factors for domestic homicide.
- (b) Beginning January 1, 2025, the hotline must provide on-call service for completing lethality assessments remotely through victim interviews facilitated by peace officers under RCW 10.99.030 and for petitioners in domestic violence protection order proceedings. The hotline must also assist victims with immediate safety planning. Upon completing a lethality assessment, the hotline must electronically transmit a copy of the assessment to the applicable local law enforcement agency or court. Services under this subsection must be offered statewide, on-demand, 24 hours per day, seven days per week.
- (c) The hotline must establish policies and procedures for conducting lethality assessments, and develop and provide training to peace officers on best practices for coordinating with the hotline, as required under RCW 10.99.030.
- (d) Recognizing that past history of domestic violence is a significant lethality factor, law enforcement agencies and the courts must provide the hotline access to criminal history records and court records to the extent necessary for the hotline to perform lethality assessments under this section.
- (4) The hotline must implement a mechanism to place a high lethality designation in law enforcement and court databases if a respondent or defendant is determined to be at high risk of intimate partner homicide under this section.

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1 (5) For the purposes of this section:

- 2 (a) "Department" means the department of social and health 3 services; and
 - (b) "Hotline" means the domestic violence lethality hotline.
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 102.** A new section is added to chapter 2.56 RCW to read as follows:
 - (1) The administrative office of the courts must develop a model form for courts to use when granting protection orders or no-contact orders when the respondent or defendant has a high lethality designation under section 101 of this act. The form must automatically include all mandatory conditions for protection orders or no-contact orders with a high lethality designation.
 - (2) The administrative office of the courts must adopt rules requiring courts to rapidly transmit protection orders and no-contact orders with a high lethality designation under section 101 of this act to the department of licensing.
- **Sec. 103.** RCW 10.97.050 and 2020 c 184 s 2 are each amended to 18 read as follows:
 - (1) Conviction records may be disseminated without restriction.
 - (2) Any criminal history record information which pertains to an incident that occurred within the last twelve months for which a person is currently being processed by the criminal justice system, including the entire period of correctional supervision extending through final discharge from parole, when applicable, may be disseminated without restriction.
 - (3) Criminal history record information which includes nonconviction data may be disseminated by a criminal justice agency to another criminal justice agency for any purpose associated with the administration of criminal justice, or in connection with the employment of the subject of the record by a criminal justice or juvenile justice agency, except as provided under RCW 13.50.260. A criminal justice agency may respond to any inquiry from another criminal justice agency without any obligation to ascertain the purpose for which the information is to be used by the agency making the inquiry.
- 36 (4) Criminal history record information which includes 37 nonconviction data may be disseminated by a criminal justice agency 38 to implement a statute, ordinance, executive order, or a court rule,

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decision, or order which expressly refers to records of arrest, charges, or allegations of criminal conduct or other nonconviction data and authorizes or directs that it be available or accessible for a specific purpose.

- (5) Criminal history record information which includes nonconviction data may be disseminated to individuals and agencies pursuant to a contract with a criminal justice agency to provide services related to the administration of criminal justice. Such contract must specifically authorize access to criminal history record information, but need not specifically state that access to nonconviction data is included. The agreement must limit the use of the criminal history record information to stated purposes and insure the confidentiality and security of the information consistent with state law and any applicable federal statutes and regulations.
- (6) Criminal history record information which includes nonconviction data may be disseminated to individuals and agencies for the express purpose of research, evaluative, or statistical activities pursuant to an agreement with a criminal justice agency. Such agreement must authorize the access to nonconviction data, limit the use of that information which identifies specific individuals to research, evaluative, or statistical purposes, and contain provisions giving notice to the person or organization to which the records are disseminated that the use of information obtained therefrom and further dissemination of such information are subject to the provisions of this chapter and applicable federal statutes and regulations, which shall be cited with express reference to the penalties provided for a violation thereof.
- (7) <u>Criminal history record information that includes</u> nonconviction data may be disseminated to the domestic violence lethality hotline to the extent necessary for the hotline to perform lethality assessments under section 101 of this act.
- (8) Every criminal justice agency that maintains and disseminates criminal history record information must maintain information pertaining to every dissemination of criminal history record information except a dissemination to the effect that the agency has no record concerning an individual. Information pertaining to disseminations shall include:
- 38 (a) An indication of to whom (agency or person) criminal history 39 record information was disseminated;
 - (b) The date on which the information was disseminated;

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(c) The individual to whom the information relates; and

(d) A brief description of the information disseminated.

3 The information pertaining to dissemination required to be 4 maintained shall be retained for a period of not less than one year.

(((8))) <u>(9)</u> In addition to the other provisions in this section allowing dissemination of criminal history record information, RCW 4.24.550 governs dissemination of information concerning offenders who commit sex offenses as defined by RCW 9.94A.030. Criminal justice agencies, their employees, and officials shall be immune from civil liability for dissemination on criminal history record information concerning sex offenders as provided in RCW 4.24.550.

Sec. 104. RCW 10.21.050 and 2018 c 276 s 5 are each amended to 13 read as follows:

The judicial officer in any felony, misdemeanor, or gross misdemeanor case must, in determining whether there are conditions of release that will reasonably assure the safety of any other person and the community, take into account the available information concerning:

- (1) The nature and circumstances of the offense charged, including whether the offense is a crime of violence;
 - (2) The weight of the evidence against the defendant; ((and))
 - (3) The history and characteristics of the defendant, including:
 - (a) The person's character, physical and mental condition, family ties, employment, financial resources, length of residence in the community, community ties, past conduct, history relating to drug or alcohol abuse, criminal history, and record concerning appearance at court proceedings;
 - (b) Whether, at the time of the current offense or arrest, the defendant was on community supervision, probation, parole, or on other release pending trial, sentencing, appeal, or completion of sentence for an offense under federal, state, or local law; and
 - (c) The nature and seriousness of the danger to any person or the community that would be posed by the defendant's release; and
- 34 (4) In the case of alleged intimate partner domestic violence, 35 the results of any applicable and available lethality assessment.

Part II. Electronic Monitoring with Victim Notification Technology

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 201. A new section is added to chapter 43.101 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) By July 1, 2024, electronic monitoring with victim notification technology services must be available for all courts in all jurisdictions in the state.
- 6 (2) By December 1, 2023, the commission must adopt rules to implement the following:
 - (a) Requiring local governments to enter into contracts with a monitoring agency to provide electronic monitoring with victim notification technology services under court order, including specifying which entities are responsible for entering into those contracts;
 - (b) Establishing standards for the operation of electronic monitoring with victim notification technology by monitoring agencies, with the goal of implementing best practices to improve victim safety;
 - (c) Establishing protocols for implementing court orders that include electronic monitoring with victim notification, including protocols for the installation and removal of monitoring devices to ensure uninterrupted monitoring services following release from detainment or incarceration; and
 - (d) Establishing any additional requirements necessary to promote compliance with RCW 2.56.260 and 9.94A.736, which may include, but not be limited to, training requirements for court officials, peace officers, local corrections officers and staff, and other appropriate practitioners.
 - (3) In developing the rules required under this section, the commission must solicit input from courts of general and limited jurisdiction, local governments, monitoring agencies, and statewide associations representing law enforcement leaders, prosecutors, domestic violence victims, and domestic violence agencies.
 - (4) The commission must develop a model policy on electronic monitoring with victim notification technology based on best practices where the technology is being currently used in Washington. Each law enforcement agency in the state must adopt its own policy based on the model policy.
 - (5) For the purposes of this section:
- 38 (a) "Electronic monitoring" has the meaning provided in RCW 39 9.94A.030; and

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- 1 (b) "Monitoring agency" has the meaning provided in RCW 2 9.94A.736.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 202.** A new section is added to chapter 2.56 4 RCW to read as follows:
- 5 The administrative office of the courts must contract with one or 6 more entities to:
 - (1) Provide training on electronic monitoring with victim notification technology to prosecutors, law enforcement officers, judges, domestic violence agencies, attorneys representing domestic violence survivors, and any other persons or entities deemed appropriate by the administrative office of the courts; and
- (2) Create a website with information about electronic monitoring with victim notification technology, including recorded trainings, brochures or flyers, approved vendors, and specific instructions on how victims may advocate or request electronic monitoring with victim notification technology.

17 Part III. Access to Counsel

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 301. A new section is added to chapter 2.53
 RCW to read as follows:
- 20 (1) The office of civil legal aid must propose a plan to create a 21 right to counsel for low-income survivors of domestic violence in 22 domestic violence protection order proceedings. The plan must 23 include:
 - (a) Recommended income thresholds for the right to counsel;
- 25 (b) An estimate of projected demand;
- 26 (c) An estimate of projected start-up and ongoing costs;
- 27 (d) Recommended methods to prioritize scarce resources;
 - (e) Equity considerations;

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- 29 (f) A reasonable plan and timeline to phase in the right to 30 counsel;
- 31 (g) Any statutory changes necessary to implement the plan, 32 including a description of how the right to counsel interacts with 33 the appointment of counsel under RCW 7.105.240; and
- 34 (h) Any other information deemed appropriate by the office of 35 civil legal aid.

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- 1 (2) The office of civil legal aid must report the plan to the 2 supreme court, the governor, and the appropriate standing committees 3 of the legislature by January 1, 2024.
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 302.** A new section is added to chapter 2.53 5 RCW to read as follows:

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- (1) The office of civil legal aid must maintain on its website a statewide list of attorneys who specialize in representing survivors of domestic violence. The list of attorneys must be organized by region of the state and include contact information for the attorneys on the list.
- 11 (2) The office of civil legal aid must develop minimum 12 qualifications for an attorney to be included on the list. An 13 attorney licensed in this state may submit an application to the 14 office of civil legal aid to be included on the list. The office of 15 civil legal aid must include the attorney on the list after verifying 16 the attorneys bar membership and qualifications.

Part IV. Civil Protection Orders

- 18 **Sec. 401.** RCW 7.105.155 and 2022 c 268 s 10 are each amended to 19 read as follows:
- When service is to be completed under this chapter by a law enforcement officer:
 - (1) The clerk of the court shall have a copy of any order issued under this chapter, the confidential information form, as well as the petition for a protection order and any supporting materials, electronically forwarded on ((or before the next)) the same judicial day to the law enforcement agency in the county or municipality where the respondent resides, as specified in the order, for service upon the respondent. If the respondent has moved from that county or municipality and personal service is not required, the law enforcement agency specified in the order may serve the order;
 - (2) Service of an order issued under this chapter must take precedence over the service of other documents by law enforcement unless they are of a similar emergency nature;
 - (3) Where personal service is required, the first attempt at service must occur within 24 hours of receiving the order from the court ((whenever practicable, but not more than five days after receiving the order)) unless an emergency situation renders the

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service infeasible. The law enforcement officer must give priority to orders with a high lethality designation under section 101 of this act. If the first attempt is not successful, no fewer than two additional attempts should be made to serve the order, particularly for respondents who present heightened risk of lethality or other risk of physical harm to the petitioner or petitioner's family or household members. All attempts at service must be documented on a proof of service form and submitted to the court in a timely manner;

- (4) The law enforcement officer serving an order under this section must attempt to contact the petitioner before the attempted service so that the petitioner may provide pertinent information related to officer safety considerations, the respondent's behavior, the location and description of the respondent's firearms, and other relevant details;
- (5) If service cannot be completed within 10 calendar days, the law enforcement officer shall notify the petitioner. The petitioner shall provide information sufficient to permit notification. Law enforcement shall continue to attempt to complete service unless otherwise directed by the court. In the event that the petitioner does not provide a service address for the respondent or there is evidence that the respondent is evading service, the law enforcement officer shall use law enforcement databases to assist in locating the respondent;
- (((5))) (6) If the respondent is in a protected person's presence at the time of contact for service, the law enforcement officer should take reasonable steps to separate the parties when possible prior to completing the service or inquiring about or collecting firearms. When the order requires the respondent to vacate the parties' shared residence, law enforcement shall take reasonable steps to ensure that the respondent has left the premises and is on notice that his or her return is a violation of the terms of the order. The law enforcement officer shall provide the respondent with copies of all forms with the exception of the confidential information form completed by the protected party and the proof of service form;
- ((+6))) (7) Any law enforcement officer who serves a protection order on a respondent with the knowledge that the respondent requires special assistance due to a disability, brain injury, or impairment shall make a reasonable effort to accommodate the needs of the

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respondent to the extent practicable without compromise to the safety of the petitioner;

 $((\frac{(7)}{)})$ (8) Proof of service must be submitted to the court on the proof of service form. The form must include the date and time of service and each document that was served in order for the service to be complete, along with any details such as conduct at the time of service, threats, or avoidance of service, as well as statements regarding possession of firearms, including any denials of ownership despite positive purchase history, active concealed pistol license, or sworn statements in the petition that allege the respondent's access to, or possession of, firearms; ((ex

(8)) (9) Upon service of the order, the law enforcement officer must contact the petitioner to communicate that the order has been served, is now in effect, and can be lawfully enforced. The officer must also convey to the petitioner information regarding the respondent's behavior that may be relevant to the petitioner's safety planning;

(10) If attempts at service were not successful, the proof of service form or the form letter showing that the order was not served, and stating the reason it was not served, must be returned to the court by the next judicial day following the last unsuccessful attempt at service. Each attempt at service must be noted and reflected in computer aided dispatch records, with the date, time, address, and reason service was not completed; or

(11) The law enforcement information sheet may not include the petitioner's residential address.

Sec. 402. RCW 7.105.255 and 2022 c 268 s 15 are each amended to 28 read as follows:

(1) To help ensure familiarity with the unique nature of protection order proceedings, and an understanding of trauma-informed practices and best practices in the use of new technologies for remote hearings, judicial officers, including persons who serve as judicial officers pro tempore, should receive evidence-based training on procedural justice, trauma-informed practices, gender-based violence dynamics, coercive control, elder abuse, juvenile sex offending, teen dating violence, domestic violence homicide prevention, and requirements for the surrender of weapons before presiding over protection order hearings. Trainings should be provided on an ongoing basis as best practices, research on trauma,

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- and legislation continue to evolve. As a method of continuous training, court commissioners, including pro tempore commissioners, shall be notified by the presiding judge or court administrator upon revision of any decision made under this chapter.
- 5 (2) The administrative office of the courts, in consultation with 6 the supreme court gender and justice commission, should notify 7 judicial officers of the training required under this section.
- **Sec. 403.** RCW 7.105.310 and 2022 c 268 s 17 and 2022 c 231 s 9 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

- (1) In issuing any type of protection order, other than an exparte temporary antiharassment protection order as limited by subsection (2) of this section, and other than an extreme risk protection order, the court shall have broad discretion to grant such relief as the court deems proper, including an order that provides relief as follows:
- (a) Restrain the respondent from committing any of the following acts against the petitioner and other persons protected by the order: Domestic violence; nonconsensual sexual conduct or nonconsensual sexual penetration; sexual abuse; stalking; acts of abandonment, abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation against a vulnerable adult; and unlawful harassment;
- (b) Restrain the respondent from making any attempts to have contact, including nonphysical contact, with the petitioner or the petitioner's family or household members who are minors or other members of the petitioner's household, either directly, indirectly, or through third parties regardless of whether those third parties know of the order;
- 28 (c) Exclude the respondent from the residence that the parties 29 share;
- 30 (d) Exclude the respondent from the residence, workplace, or 31 school of the petitioner; or from the day care or school of a minor 32 child;
 - (e) Restrain the respondent from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance from a specified location including, but not limited to, a residence, school, day care, workplace, the protected party's person, and the protected party's vehicle. The specified distance shall presumptively be at least 1,000 feet, unless the court for good cause finds that a shorter specified distance is appropriate;

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(f) If the parties have children in common, make residential provisions with regard to their minor children on the same basis as is provided in chapter 26.09 RCW. However, parenting plans as specified in chapter 26.09 RCW must not be required under this chapter. The court may not delay or defer relief under this chapter on the grounds that the parties could seek a parenting plan or modification to a parenting plan in a different action. A protection order must not be denied on the grounds that the parties have an existing parenting plan in effect. A protection order may suspend the respondent's contact with the parties' children under an existing parenting plan, subject to further orders in a family law proceeding;

- (g) Order the respondent to participate in a state-certified domestic violence perpetrator treatment program approved under RCW 43.20A.735 or a state-certified sex offender treatment program approved under RCW 18.155.070;
- (h) Order the respondent to obtain a mental health or chemical dependency evaluation. If the court determines that a mental health evaluation is necessary, the court shall clearly document the reason for this determination and provide a specific question or questions to be answered by the mental health professional. The court shall consider the ability of the respondent to pay for an evaluation. Minors are presumed to be unable to pay. The parent or legal guardian is responsible for costs unless the parent or legal guardian demonstrates inability to pay;
- (i) In cases where the petitioner and the respondent are students who attend the same public or private elementary, middle, or high school, the court, when issuing a protection order and providing relief, shall consider, among the other facts of the case, the severity of the act, any continuing physical danger, emotional distress, or educational disruption to the petitioner, and the financial difficulty and educational disruption that would be caused by a transfer of the respondent to another school. The court may order that the respondent not attend the public or private elementary, middle, or high school attended by the petitioner. If a minor respondent is prohibited attendance at the minor's assigned public school, the school district must provide the student comparable educational services in another setting. In such a case, district shall provide transportation at no cost to the respondent if the respondent's parent or legal guardian is unable to pay for transportation. The district shall put in place any needed

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supports to ensure successful transition to the new school environment. The court shall send notice of the restriction on attending the same school as the petitioner to the public or private school the respondent will attend and to the school the petitioner attends;

- (j) Require the respondent to pay the administrative court costs and service fees, as established by the county or municipality incurring the expense, and to reimburse the petitioner for costs incurred in bringing the action, including reasonable attorneys' fees or limited license legal technician fees when such fees are incurred by a person licensed and practicing in accordance with state supreme court admission and practice rule 28, the limited practice rule for limited license legal technicians. Reasonable attorneys' fees or limited licensed legal technical fees are mandatory under subsection (4) of this section. Minors are presumed to be unable to pay. The parent or legal guardian is responsible for costs unless the parent or legal guardian demonstrates inability to pay;
- (k) Restrain the respondent from harassing, following, monitoring, keeping under physical or electronic surveillance, cyber harassment as defined in RCW 9A.90.120, and using telephonic, audiovisual, or other electronic means to monitor the actions, location, or communication of the petitioner or the petitioner's family or household members who are minors or other members of the petitioner's household. For the purposes of this subsection, "communication" includes both "wire communication" and "electronic communication" as defined in RCW 9.73.260;
- (1) (i) Other than for respondents who are minors, require the respondent to submit to electronic monitoring, including electronic monitoring with victim notification technology. The order must specify who shall provide the electronic monitoring services and the terms under which the monitoring must be performed. The order also may include a requirement that the respondent pay the costs of the monitoring. The court shall consider the ability of the respondent to pay for electronic monitoring;
- (ii) The court must order the respondent to submit to electronic monitoring with victim notification technology upon the request of the petitioner if the respondent has a high lethality designation under section 101 of this act. In all other cases, electronic monitoring with victim notification technology is discretionary;

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- (m) Consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800, and order the respondent to surrender, and prohibit the respondent from accessing, having in his or her custody or control, possessing, purchasing, attempting to purchase or receive, or receiving, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license, as required in RCW 9.41.800;
- (n) Order possession and use of essential personal effects. The court shall list the essential personal effects with sufficient specificity to make it clear which property is included. Personal effects may include pets. The court may order that a petitioner be granted the exclusive custody or control of any pet owned, possessed, leased, kept, or held by the petitioner, respondent, or minor child residing with either the petitioner or respondent, and may prohibit the respondent from interfering with the petitioner's efforts to obtain the pet. The court may also prohibit the respondent from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of specified locations where the pet is regularly found;
 - (o) Order use of a vehicle;

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- (p) Enter an order restricting the respondent from engaging in abusive litigation as set forth in chapter 26.51 RCW or in frivolous filings against the petitioner, making harassing or communications about the petitioner to third parties, or making false reports to investigative agencies. A petitioner may request this relief in the petition or by separate motion. A petitioner may request this relief by separate motion at any time within five years of the date the protection order is entered even if the order has since expired. A stand-alone motion for an order restricting abusive litigation may be brought by a party who meets the requirements of chapter 26.51 RCW regardless of whether the party has previously sought a protection order under this chapter, provided the motion is made within five years of the date the order that made a finding of domestic violence was entered. In cases where a finding of domestic violence was entered pursuant to an order under chapter 26.09, 26.26, or 26.26A RCW, a motion for an order restricting abusive litigation may be brought under the family law case or as a stand-alone action filed under this chapter, when it is not reasonable or practical to file under the family law case;
- (q) Restrain the respondent from committing acts of abandonment, abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation against a vulnerable adult;

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(r) Require an accounting by the respondent of the disposition of the vulnerable adult's income or other resources;

- (s) Restrain the transfer of either the respondent's or vulnerable adult's property, or both, for a specified period not exceeding 90 days;
- (t) Order financial relief and restrain the transfer of jointly owned assets;
- (u) Restrain the respondent from possessing or distributing intimate images, as defined in RCW 9A.86.010, depicting the petitioner including, but not limited to, requiring the respondent to: Take down and delete all intimate images and recordings of the petitioner in the respondent's possession or control; and cease any and all disclosure of those intimate images. The court may also inform the respondent that it would be appropriate to ask third parties in possession or control of the intimate images of this protection order to take down and delete the intimate images so that the order may not inadvertently be violated; or
- (v) Order other relief as it deems necessary for the protection of the petitioner and other family or household members who are minors or vulnerable adults for whom the petitioner has sought protection, including orders or directives to a law enforcement officer, as allowed under this chapter.
- (2) In an antiharassment protection order proceeding, the court may grant the relief specified in subsection (1)(c), (f), and (t) of this section only as part of a full antiharassment protection order.
- (3) The court in granting a temporary antiharassment protection order or a civil antiharassment protection order shall not prohibit the respondent from exercising constitutionally protected free speech. Nothing in this section prohibits the petitioner from utilizing other civil or criminal remedies to restrain conduct or communications not otherwise constitutionally protected.
- (4) In issuing a domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking protection order on behalf of a prevailing petitioner, the court must order the respondent to pay reasonable attorneys' fees or limited license legal technician fees when such fees are incurred by a person licensed and practicing in accordance with state supreme court admission and practice rule 28, the limited practice rule for limited license legal technicians.
- 39 <u>(5)</u> The court shall not take any of the following actions in 40 issuing a protection order.

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(a) The court may not order the petitioner to obtain services including, but not limited to, drug testing, victim support services, a mental health assessment, or a psychological evaluation.

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- (b) The court shall not issue a full protection order to any party except upon notice to the respondent and the opportunity for a hearing pursuant to a petition or counter-petition filed and served by the party seeking relief in accordance with this chapter. Except as provided in RCW 7.105.210, the court shall not issue a temporary protection order to any party unless the party has filed a petition or counter-petition for a protection order seeking relief in accordance with this chapter.
- (c) Under no circumstances shall the court deny the petitioner the type of protection order sought in the petition on the grounds that the court finds that a different type of protection order would have a less severe impact on the respondent.
- 16 (((5))) <u>(6)</u> The order shall specify the date the order expires, 17 if any. For permanent orders, the court shall set the date to expire 18 99 years from the issuance date. The order shall also state whether 19 the court issued the protection order following personal service, 20 service by electronic means, service by mail, or service by 21 publication, and whether the court has approved service by mail or 22 publication of an order issued under this section.
- 23 **Sec. 404.** RCW 7.105.450 and 2022 c 268 s 21 are each amended to 24 read as follows:
 - (1) (a) Whenever a domestic violence protection order, a sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order is granted under this chapter, or an order is granted under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or there is a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or there is a Canadian domestic violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010, and the respondent or person to be restrained knows of the order, a violation of any of the following provisions of the order is a gross misdemeanor, except as provided in subsections (4) and (5) of this section:
- 36 (i) The restraint provisions prohibiting acts or threats of 37 violence against, or stalking of, a protected party, or the restraint 38 provisions prohibiting contact with a protected party;

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1 (ii) A provision excluding the person from a residence, 2 workplace, school, or day care;

- (iii) A provision prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle;
- (iv) A provision prohibiting interfering with the protected party's efforts to remove a pet owned, possessed, leased, kept, or held by the petitioner, the respondent, or a minor child residing with either the petitioner or the respondent; ((ex))
- 10 (v) <u>A provision requiring the respondent to submit to electronic</u>
 11 <u>monitoring; or</u>
 - <u>(vi)</u> A provision of a foreign protection order or a Canadian domestic violence protection order specifically indicating that a violation will be a crime.
 - (b) Upon conviction, and in addition to any other penalties provided by law, the court:
 - (i) May require that the respondent submit to electronic monitoring. The court shall specify who must provide the electronic monitoring services and the terms under which the monitoring must be performed. The order also may include a requirement that the respondent pay the costs of the monitoring. The court shall consider the ability of the convicted person to pay for electronic monitoring; and
 - (ii) Shall impose a fine of \$15, in addition to any penalty or fine imposed, for a violation of a domestic violence protection order issued under this chapter. Revenue from the \$15 fine must be remitted monthly to the state treasury for deposit in the domestic violence prevention account.
 - (2) A law enforcement officer shall arrest without a warrant and ((take into)) keep in custody until release by a judicial officer on bail, personal recognizance, or court order, a person whom the law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe has violated a domestic violence protection order, a sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order, or an order issued under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or a Canadian domestic violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010, that restrains the person or excludes the person from a residence, workplace, school, or day care, or prohibits the person from knowingly coming

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within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle, if the person restrained knows of the order. Presence of the order in the law enforcement computer-based criminal intelligence information system is not the only means of establishing knowledge of the order. A law enforcement officer is not required to keep in custody a person under this subsection if the person requires immediate medical attention and is admitted to a hospital.

- (3) A violation of a domestic violence protection order, a sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order, or an order issued under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or a Canadian domestic violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010, shall also constitute contempt of court, and is subject to the penalties prescribed by law.
- (4) Any assault that is a violation of a domestic violence protection order, a sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order, or an order issued under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or a Canadian domestic violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010, and that does not amount to assault in the first or second degree under RCW 9A.36.011 or 9A.36.021 is a class C felony, and any conduct in violation of such an order that is reckless and creates a substantial risk of death or serious physical injury to another person is a class C felony.
- assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order, or a court order issued under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or a Canadian domestic violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010, is a class C felony if the offender has at least two previous convictions for violating the provisions of a domestic violence protection order, a sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order, or an order issued under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or a Canadian domestic

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violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010. The previous convictions may involve the same victim or other victims specifically protected by the orders the offender violated.

- (6)(a) A defendant arrested for violating a domestic violence protection order, sexual assault protection order, stalking protection order, or vulnerable adult protection order, or an order granted under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or a Canadian domestic violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010, is required to appear in person before a magistrate within one judicial day after the arrest. At the time of the appearance, the court shall determine the necessity of imposing a no-contact order or other conditions of pretrial release.
- (b) A defendant who is charged by citation, complaint, or information with violating any protection order identified in (a) of this subsection and not arrested shall appear in court for arraignment in person as soon as practicable, but in no event later than 14 days after the next day on which court is in session following the issuance of the citation or the filing of the complaint or information.
- (7) Upon the filing of an affidavit by the petitioner or any law enforcement officer alleging that the respondent has violated a domestic violence protection order, a sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order, or an order granted under chapter 9A.40, 9A.44, 9A.46, 9A.88, 9.94A, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW, or a valid foreign protection order as defined in RCW 26.52.020, or a Canadian domestic violence protection order as defined in RCW 26.55.010, the court may issue an order to the respondent, requiring the respondent to appear and show cause within 14 days as to why the respondent should not be found in contempt of court and punished accordingly. The hearing may be held in the court of any county or municipality in which the petitioner or respondent temporarily or permanently resides at the time of the alleged violation.
- 35 (8) Appearances required under this section are mandatory and 36 cannot be waived.
- **Sec. 405.** RCW 7.105.500 and 2022 c 268 s 23 are each amended to 38 read as follows:

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This section applies to modification or termination of domestic violence protection orders, sexual assault protection orders, stalking protection orders, and antiharassment protection orders.

- (1) Upon a motion with notice to all parties and after a hearing, the court may modify the terms of an existing protection order or terminate an existing order.
- (2) A respondent's motion to modify or terminate an existing protection order must include a declaration setting forth facts supporting the requested order for modification or termination. The nonmoving parties to the proceeding may file opposing declarations. All motions to modify or terminate shall be based on the written materials and evidence submitted to the court. The court shall set a hearing only if the court finds that adequate cause is established. If the court finds that the respondent established adequate cause, the court shall set a date for hearing the respondent's motion, which must be at least 14 days from the date the court finds adequate cause.
- (3) Upon the motion of a respondent, the court may not modify or terminate an existing protection order unless the respondent proves by a preponderance of the evidence that there has been a substantial change in circumstances such that the respondent will not resume, engage in, or attempt to engage in, the following acts against the petitioner or those persons protected by the protection order if the order is terminated or modified:
- (a) Acts of domestic violence, in cases involving domestic violence protection orders;
- 27 (b) Physical or nonphysical contact, in cases involving sexual 28 assault protection orders;
- 29 (c) Acts of stalking, in cases involving stalking protection 30 orders; or
- 31 (d) Acts of unlawful harassment, in cases involving 32 antiharassment protection orders.
 - The petitioner bears no burden of proving that he or she has a current reasonable fear of harm by the respondent.
 - (4) In determining whether there has been a substantial change in circumstances, the court may consider the following unweighted factors, and no inference is to be drawn from the order in which the factors are listed:
- 39 (a) Whether the respondent has committed or threatened sexual 40 assault, domestic violence, stalking, or other harmful acts against

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the petitioner or any other person since the protection order was entered;

- (b) Whether the respondent has violated the terms of the protection order and the time that has passed since the entry of the order;
- (c) Whether the respondent has exhibited suicidal ideation or attempts since the protection order was entered;
- (d) Whether the respondent has been convicted of criminal activity since the protection order was entered;
- (e) Whether the respondent has either acknowledged responsibility for acts of sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, or behavior that resulted in the entry of the protection order, or successfully completed state-certified perpetrator treatment or counseling since the protection order was entered;
- (f) Whether the respondent has a continuing involvement with drug or alcohol abuse, if such abuse was a factor in the protection order;
- (g) Whether the petitioner consents to terminating the protection order, provided that consent is given voluntarily and knowingly; or
- (h) Other factors relating to a substantial change in circumstances.
- (5) In determining whether there has been a substantial change in circumstances, the court may not base its determination on the fact that time has passed without a violation of the order.
- (6) Regardless of whether there is a substantial change in circumstances, the court may decline to terminate a protection order if it finds that the acts of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, unlawful harassment, and other harmful acts that resulted in the issuance of the protection order were of such severity that the order should not be terminated.
- (7) A respondent may file a motion to modify or terminate an order no more than once in every 12-month period that the order is in effect, starting from the date of the order and continuing through any renewal period.
- (8) If a person who is protected by a protection order has a child or adopts a child after a protection order has been issued, but before the protection order has expired, the petitioner may seek to include the new child in the order of protection on an ex parte basis if the child is already in the physical custody of the petitioner. If the restrained person is the legal or biological parent of the child,

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a hearing must be set and notice given to the restrained person prior to final modification of the full protection order.

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- (9) A court ((may)) must require the respondent to pay the petitioner for costs incurred in responding to a motion to modify or terminate a <u>domestic violence</u>, <u>sexual assault</u>, <u>or stalking protection</u> order, including reasonable attorneys' fees. A court may require the respondent to pay the petitioner for costs incurred in responding to a motion to modify or terminate any other type of protection order, including reasonable attorneys' fees.
- 10 NEW SECTION. Sec. 406. A new section is added to chapter 7.105 RCW to read as follows: 11
 - (1) In any proceeding in which the court enters a temporary protection order that includes a temporary order to surrender and prohibit weapons, and after the hearing the court denies the petition for a full protection order, the court must stay entry of the decision and provide notice to the petitioner of the right to seek reconsideration or revision of the decision in accordance with this section.
 - (2) The court must notify the petitioner verbally and provide the petitioner with written information at the hearing in which the court denies the petition for a full protection order explaining the procedures and timelines for filing a motion for reconsideration or a motion for revision. The information must also include contact information for civil legal aid organizations that may assist the petitioner with a motion for reconsideration or a motion for revision.
 - (3) A motion for reconsideration or a motion for revision must be filed within 10 calendar days of the court's denial of the petition for a full protection order. The petitioner may not file both a motion for reconsideration and a motion for revision. The hearing on the motion must be held within 30 calendar days from the filing of the motion.
 - (4) The court's order denying entry of a full protection order must be stayed, and the temporary protection order and temporary order to surrender and prohibit weapons must remain in effect, pending reconsideration or revision, as follows:
- 37 If the petitioner does not timely file a motion for reconsideration or motion for revision, the order denying the full

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- 1 protection order becomes final once the filing deadline for a motion 2 for reconsideration or motion for revision has passed; and
- 3 (b) If the petitioner timely files a motion for reconsideration 4 or motion for revision, the stay of the court's order denying the 5 full protection order remains in place until the hearing on the 6 motion for reconsideration or motion for revision is held, but no 7 later than 30 calendar days after the motion is filed.

Part V. Domestic Violence Protections

- 9 **Sec. 501.** RCW 10.99.020 and 2021 c 215 s 121 are each amended to 10 read as follows:
- Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.
- 13 (1) "Agency" means a general authority Washington law enforcement 14 agency as defined in RCW 10.93.020.
- 15 (2) "Association" means the Washington association of sheriffs 16 and police chiefs.
- 17 (3) "Dating relationship" has the same meaning as in RCW 18 7.105.010.
- 19 (4) "Domestic violence" includes but is not limited to any of the 20 following crimes when committed either by (a) one family or household 21 member against another family or household member, or (b) one 22 intimate partner against another intimate partner:
 - (i) Assault in the first degree (RCW 9A.36.011);
- (ii) Assault in the second degree (RCW 9A.36.021);
 - (iii) Assault in the third degree (RCW 9A.36.031);
- 26 (iv) Assault in the fourth degree (RCW 9A.36.041);
- 27 (v) Drive-by shooting (RCW 9A.36.045);
- 28 (vi) Reckless endangerment (RCW 9A.36.050);
- 29 (vii) Coercion (RCW 9A.36.070);

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- 30 (viii) Burglary in the first degree (RCW 9A.52.020);
 - (ix) Burglary in the second degree (RCW 9A.52.030);
- 32 (x) Criminal trespass in the first degree (RCW 9A.52.070);
- 33 (xi) Criminal trespass in the second degree (RCW 9A.52.080);
- 34 (xii) Malicious mischief in the first degree (RCW 9A.48.070);
- 35 (xiii) Malicious mischief in the second degree (RCW 9A.48.080);
- 36 (xiv) Malicious mischief in the third degree (RCW 9A.48.090);
- 37 (xv) Kidnapping in the first degree (RCW 9A.40.020);
- 38 (xvi) Kidnapping in the second degree (RCW 9A.40.030);

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       (xvii) Unlawful imprisonment (RCW 9A.40.040);
       (xviii) Violation of the provisions of a restraining order, no-
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26.44.150, or 26.52.070, or any of the former RCW 26.50.060,

11 26.50.070, 26.50.130, and 74.34.145);

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- 12 (xix) Rape in the first degree (RCW 9A.44.040);
- 13 (xx) Rape in the second degree (RCW 9A.44.050);
- 14 (xxi) Residential burglary (RCW 9A.52.025);
- 15 (xxii) Stalking (RCW 9A.46.110); and
- 16 (xxiii) Interference with the reporting of domestic violence (RCW 9A.36.150).
- 18 (5) "Electronic monitoring" means the same as in RCW 9.94A.030.
- 19 (6) "Employee" means any person currently employed with an 20 agency.
 - (7) "Family or household members" means: (a) Adult persons related by blood or marriage; (b) adult persons who are presently residing together or who have resided together in the past; and (c) persons who have a biological or legal parent-child relationship, including stepparents and stepchildren and grandparents and grandchildren.
 - (8) "Intimate partners" means: (a) Spouses or domestic partners; (b) former spouses or former domestic partners; (c) persons who have a child in common regardless of whether they have been married or have lived together at any time; (d) adult persons presently or previously residing together who have or have had a dating relationship; (e) persons 16 years of age or older who are presently residing together or who have resided together in the past and who have or have had a dating relationship; or (f) persons 16 years of age or older with whom a person 16 years of age or older has or has had a dating relationship.
 - (9) "Intimate terrorism" refers to a type of intimate partner violence in which the perpetrator uses violence, threats, coercive control, or other behaviors with the intent to dominate, intimidate or control the victim. If there are criminal acts, those acts simply

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- (10) "Sworn employee" means a general authority Washington peace officer as defined in RCW 10.93.020, any person appointed under RCW 35.21.333, and any person appointed or elected to carry out the duties of the sheriff under chapter 36.28 RCW.
- 7 (((10))) (11) "Victim" means a family or household member or an intimate partner who has been subjected to domestic violence.
- 9 **Sec. 502.** RCW 10.99.030 and 2019 c 367 s 1 and 2019 c 110 s 2 10 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
 - (1) The primary duty of peace officers, when responding to a domestic violence situation, is to enforce the laws allegedly violated and to protect the ((complaining party)) victim.
 - (2) (a) When a peace officer responds to a domestic violence call and has probable cause to believe that a crime has been committed, the peace officer shall exercise arrest powers with reference to the criteria in RCW 10.31.100. The officer shall notify the victim of the victim's right to initiate a criminal proceeding in all cases where the officer has not exercised arrest powers or decided to initiate criminal proceedings by citation or otherwise. The parties in such cases shall also be advised of the importance of preserving evidence.
- 22 (b) A peace officer responding to a domestic violence call shall 23 take a complete offense report including the officer's disposition of 24 the case.
 - (3) (a) A peace officer who responds to a domestic violence call and has probable cause to believe that a crime has been committed shall:
 - (i) Seize all firearms and ammunition the peace officer has reasonable grounds to believe were used or threatened to be used in the commission of the offense;
- 31 (ii) Seize all firearms in plain sight or discovered pursuant to 32 a lawful search; and
- 33 (iii) Request consent to take temporary custody of any other 34 firearms and ammunition to which the alleged abuser has access until 35 a judicial officer has heard the matter.
- 36 (b) The peace officer shall separate the parties and then inquire 37 of the victim: (i) If there are any firearms or ammunition in the 38 home that are owned or possessed by either party; (ii) if the alleged 39 abuser has access to any other firearms located off-site; and (iii)

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whether the alleged abuser has an active concealed pistol license, so that there is a complete record for future court proceedings. The inquiry should make clear to the victim that the peace officer is not asking only about whether a firearm was used at the time of the incident but also under other circumstances, such as whether the alleged abuser has kept a firearm in plain sight in a manner that is coercive, has threatened use of firearms in the past, or has additional firearms in a vehicle or other location. Law enforcement personnel may use a pictorial display of common firearms to assist the victim in identifying firearms.

- (c) The peace officer shall document all information about firearms and concealed pistol licenses in the incident report. The incident report must be coded to indicate the presence of or access to firearms so that personal recognizance screeners, prosecutors, and judicial officers address the heightened risk to victim, family, and peace officer safety due to the alleged abuser's access to firearms.
- (d) A law enforcement agency shall comply with the provisions of RCW 9.41.340 and 9.41.345 before the return of any firearm or ammunition seized under this subsection to the owner or individual from who the firearm or ammunition was obtained.
 - (4) When a peace officer responds to a domestic violence call:
- (a) The officer shall advise victims of all reasonable means to prevent further abuse, including advising each person of the availability of a shelter or other services in the community, and giving each person immediate notice of the legal rights and remedies available. The notice shall include handing each person a copy of the following statement:

"IF YOU ARE THE VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, you can ask the city or county prosecuting attorney to file a criminal complaint. You also have the right to file a petition in superior, district, or municipal court requesting an order for protection from domestic abuse which could include any of the following: (a) An order restraining your abuser from further acts of abuse; (b) an order directing your abuser to leave your household; (c) an order preventing your abuser from entering your residence, school, business, or place of employment; (d) an order awarding you or the other parent custody of or visitation with your minor child or children; (e) an order restraining your abuser from molesting or

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interfering with minor children in your custody; and (f) an order requiring your abuser to turn in any firearms and concealed pistol license in the abuser's possession or control to law enforcement and prohibiting the abuser from possessing or accessing firearms or a concealed pistol license for the duration of the civil order. The forms you need to obtain a protection order are available in any municipal, district, or superior court.

Information about shelters and alternatives to domestic violence is available from a statewide twenty-four-hour toll-free hotline at (include appropriate phone number). The battered women's shelter and other resources in your area are (include local information)"; and

- (b) The officer is encouraged to inform victims that information on traumatic brain injury can be found on the statewide website developed under RCW 74.31.070.
- (5) Beginning January 1, 2025, when a peace officer responds to a domestic violence call and has probable cause to believe that a crime has been committed, he or she shall, with the consent of the victim, connect the victim with the domestic violence lethality hotline under section 101 of this act to conduct a lethality assessment and assist the victim with safety planning.
- (6) The peace officer may offer, arrange, or facilitate transportation for the victim to a hospital for treatment of injuries or to a place of safety or shelter.
- (((6))) <u>(7)</u> An appointed or elected public official, public employee, or public agency as defined in RCW 4.24.470, or units of local government and its employees, as provided in RCW 36.28A.010, are immune from civil liability for damages arising out of the seizure or lack of seizure of a firearm, unless it is shown that the official, employee, or agency acted with gross negligence or in bad faith.
- **Sec. 503.** RCW 10.99.033 and 2019 c 367 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) All training relating to the handling of domestic violence complaints by law enforcement officers must stress enforcement of criminal laws in domestic situations, availability of community resources, and protection of the victim. Law enforcement agencies and

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community organizations with expertise in the issue of domestic violence shall cooperate in all aspects of such training.

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- (2) The criminal justice training commission shall implement by July 28, 2019, a course of instruction for the training of law enforcement officers in Washington in the handling of domestic violence complaints. The basic law enforcement curriculum of the criminal justice training commission must include at least twenty hours of basic training instruction on the law enforcement response to domestic violence. The course of instruction, the learning and performance objectives, and the standards for the training must be developed by the commission and focus on enforcing the criminal laws, safety of the victim, and holding the perpetrator accountable for the violence. The curriculum must include training on the extent and prevalence of domestic violence, <u>distinguishing situational family</u> violence from intimate terrorism, the importance of criminal justice intervention, techniques for responding to incidents that minimize the likelihood of officer injury and that promote victim safety, investigation and interviewing skills, evidence gathering and report writing, assistance to and services for victims and children, domestic violence homicide prevention, conducting lethality assessments in consultation with the domestic violence lethality hotline under section 101 of this act, understanding the risks of traumatic brain injury posed by domestic violence, verification and enforcement of court orders, liability, and any additional provisions that are necessary to carry out the intention of this subsection.
- (3) The criminal justice training commission shall develop and update annually an in-service training program to familiarize law enforcement officers with domestic violence laws. The program must include techniques for handling incidents of domestic violence that minimize the likelihood of injury to the officer and that promote the safety of all parties. The program must also include training on conducting lethality assessments in consultation with the domestic violence lethality hotline under section 101 of this act, and serving and enforcing protection orders. The commission shall make the training program available to all law enforcement agencies in the state.
- (4) Development of the training in subsections (2) and (3) of this section must be conducted in conjunction with agencies having a primary responsibility for serving victims of domestic violence with emergency shelter and other services, and representatives to the

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- statewide organization providing training and education to these organizations and to the general public.
- **Sec. 504.** RCW 10.99.040 and 2021 c 215 s 122 are each amended to 4 read as follows:

- (1) Because of the serious nature of domestic violence, the court in domestic violence actions:
- (a) Shall not dismiss any charge or delay disposition because of concurrent dissolution or other civil proceedings;
- (b) Shall not require proof that either party is seeking a dissolution of marriage prior to instigation of criminal proceedings;
- (c) Shall waive any requirement that the victim's location be disclosed to any person((, other than the attorney of a criminal defendant,)) upon a showing that there is a possibility of further violence((: PROVIDED, That the court may order a criminal defense attorney not to disclose to his or her client the victim's location; and));
- (d) Shall identify by any reasonable means on docket sheets those criminal actions arising from acts of domestic violence; and
- (e) Shall not deny issuance of a no-contact order based on the existence of an applicable civil protection order preventing the defendant from contacting the victim.
- (2) (a) Because of the likelihood of repeated violence directed at those who have been victims of domestic violence in the past, when any person charged with or arrested for a crime involving domestic violence is released from custody before arraignment or trial on bail or personal recognizance, the court authorizing the release may prohibit that person from having any contact with the victim. The jurisdiction authorizing the release shall determine whether that person should be prohibited from having any contact with the victim. If there is no outstanding restraining or protective order prohibiting that person from having contact with the victim, the court authorizing release may issue, by telephone, a no-contact order prohibiting the person charged or arrested from having contact with the victim or from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location.
- (b) In issuing the order, the court shall consider the provisions of RCW 9.41.800, and shall order the defendant to surrender, and prohibit the person from possessing, all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license as required in RCW 9.41.800.

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(c) The no-contact order shall also be issued in writing as soon as possible, and shall state that it may be extended as provided in subsection (3) of this section. By January 1, 2011, the administrative office of the courts shall develop a pattern form for all no-contact orders issued under this chapter. A no-contact order issued under this chapter must substantially comply with the pattern form developed by the administrative office of the courts.

- (3)(a) At the time of arraignment the court shall determine whether a no-contact order shall be issued or extended. So long as the court finds probable cause, the court may issue or extend a no-contact order even if the defendant fails to appear at arraignment. The no-contact order shall terminate if the defendant is acquitted or the charges are dismissed.
- (b) In issuing the order, the court shall consider any available lethality assessment and all information documented in the incident report concerning the person's possession of and access to firearms and whether law enforcement took temporary custody of firearms at the time of the arrest. ((The)) In cases with a high lethality designation under section 101 of this act, the court must as a condition of release prohibit the defendant from possessing or accessing firearms and order the defendant to immediately surrender all firearms and any concealed pistol license to a law enforcement agency upon release. In all other cases, the court may as a condition of release prohibit the defendant from possessing or accessing firearms and order the defendant to immediately surrender all firearms and order the defendant to immediately surrender all firearms and order the defendant to immediately surrender all firearms and any concealed pistol license to a law enforcement agency upon release.
- (c) (i) If a no-contact order is issued or extended, the court may also include in the conditions of release a requirement that the defendant submit to electronic monitoring as defined in RCW 9.94A.030. If electronic monitoring is ordered, the court shall specify who shall provide the monitoring services, and the terms under which the monitoring shall be performed. Upon conviction, the court may require as a condition of the sentence that the defendant ((reimburse the providing agency for)) pay the costs of the electronic monitoring. If a defendant enters into a deferred prosecution or stipulated order of continuance, the applicable order or agreement may require the defendant pay the costs of the electronic monitoring.

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(ii) The court must order the defendant to submit to electronic monitoring with victim notification technology if the victim was the defendant's intimate partner and the defendant has a high lethality designation under section 101 of this act. In all other cases, electronic monitoring with victim notification technology is discretionary.

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- (4) (a) Willful violation of a court order issued under subsection (2), (3), or (7) of this section is punishable under RCW 7.105.450.
- (b) The written order releasing the person charged or arrested shall contain the court's directives and shall bear the legend: "Violation of this order is a criminal offense under chapter 7.105 RCW and will subject a violator to arrest; any assault, drive-by shooting, or reckless endangerment that is a violation of this order is a felony. You can be arrested even if any person protected by the order invites or allows you to violate the order's prohibitions. You have the sole responsibility to avoid or refrain from violating the order's provisions. Only the court can change the order."
- (c) A certified copy of the order shall be provided to the victim.
- (5) If a no-contact order has been issued prior to charging, that order shall expire at arraignment or within seventy-two hours if charges are not filed.
- Whenever a no-contact order is issued, modified, terminated under subsection (2) or (3) of this section, the clerk of the court shall forward a copy of the order on or before the next judicial day to the appropriate law enforcement agency specified in the order. Upon receipt of the copy of the order the law enforcement agency shall enter the order for one year or until the expiration date specified on the order into any computer-based criminal intelligence information system available in this state used by law enforcement agencies to list outstanding warrants. Entry into the computer-based criminal intelligence information system constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies of the existence of the order. The order is fully enforceable in any jurisdiction in the state. Upon receipt of notice that an order has been terminated under subsection (3) of this section, the law enforcement agency shall remove the order from the computer-based criminal intelligence information system.
- 39 (7) All courts shall develop policies and procedures by January 40 1, 2011, to grant victims a process to modify or rescind a no-contact

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- 1 order issued under this chapter. The administrative office of the
- 2 courts shall develop a model policy to assist the courts in
- 3 implementing the requirements of this subsection.

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- 4 **Sec. 505.** RCW 10.99.045 and 2021 c 215 s 77 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) A defendant arrested for an offense involving domestic violence as defined by RCW 10.99.020 shall be required to appear in person before a magistrate within one judicial day after the arrest.
 - (2) A defendant who is charged by citation, complaint, or information with an offense involving domestic violence as defined by RCW 10.99.020 and not arrested shall appear in court for arraignment in person as soon as practicable, but in no event later than 14 days after the next day on which court is in session following the issuance of the citation or the filing of the complaint or information.
 - (3) (a) At the time of the appearances provided in subsection (1) or (2) of this section, the court shall determine the necessity of imposing a no-contact order or other conditions of pretrial release according to the procedures established by court rule for a preliminary appearance or an arraignment. The court may include in the order any conditions authorized under RCW 9.41.800 and 10.99.040.
- 22 (b) For the purposes of (a) of this subsection, the prosecutor 23 shall provide for the court's review:
 - (i) The defendant's criminal history, if any, that occurred in Washington or any other state;
 - (ii) If available, the defendant's criminal history that occurred in any tribal jurisdiction;
 - (iii) The defendant's individual order history; ((and))
- 29 (iv) The defendant's firearms purchase history, including any 30 concealed pistol license history; and
- 31 <u>(v) Any available and applicable domestic violence lethality</u> 32 <u>assessment</u>.
- 33 (c) For the purposes of (b) of this subsection, criminal history
 34 includes all previous convictions and orders of deferred prosecution,
 35 as reported through the judicial information system or otherwise
 36 available to the court or prosecutor, current to within the period
 37 specified in (d) of this subsection before the date of the
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1 (d) The periods applicable to previous convictions and orders of deferred prosecution are:

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- (i) One working day, in the case of previous actions of courts that fully participate in the state judicial information system; and
- (ii) Seven calendar days, in the case of previous actions of courts that do not fully participate in the judicial information system. For the purposes of this subsection, "fully participate" means regularly providing records to and receiving records from the system by electronic means on a daily basis.
- 10 (4) If pretrial supervision is available, a defendant with a high 11 lethality designation under section 101 of this act must be ordered 12 to pretrial supervision at the highest level offered.
 - (5) If the defendant carries a high lethality designation under section 101 of this act, the court must order electronic monitoring with victim notification technology as a condition for pretrial release. The court may order that the defendant pay the costs of the electronic monitoring.
- 18 (6) If the court uses an entity to make recommendations on conditions for pretrial release, the entity may not make such recommendations before performing a domestic violence lethality assessment in cases involving an intimate partner victim.
- 22 <u>(7)</u> Appearances required pursuant to this section are mandatory 23 and cannot be waived.
- $((\frac{(5)}{(5)}))$ (8) The no-contact order shall be issued and entered with the law enforcement agency pursuant to the procedures outlined in RCW 10.99.040 (2) and (6).
- 27 **Sec. 506.** RCW 10.99.100 and 2010 c 274 s 404 are each amended to 28 read as follows:
- 29 (1) In sentencing for a crime of domestic violence as defined in 30 this chapter, courts of limited jurisdiction shall consider, among 31 other factors, whether:
 - (a) The defendant suffered a continuing pattern of coercion, control, or abuse by the victim of the offense and the offense is a response to that coercion, control, or abuse;
- 35 (b) The offense was part of an ongoing pattern of psychological, 36 physical, or sexual abuse of a victim or multiple victims manifested 37 by multiple incidents over a prolonged period of time; ((and))

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- 1 (c) The purpose of the offense was to gain or maintain power and 2 control over the victim as part of a broader pattern of intimate 3 terrorism; and
 - (d) The offense occurred within sight or sound of the victim's or the offender's minor children under the age of eighteen years.
 - (2) <u>In sentencing for a crime of intimate partner domestic</u> violence with a high lethality designation under section 101 of this act, courts of limited jurisdiction must order the defendant to electronic monitoring with victim notification technology.
 - (3) (a) In sentencing for a crime of domestic violence as defined in this chapter, the prosecutor shall provide for the court's review:
 - (i) The defendant's criminal history, if any, that occurred in Washington or any other state;
 - (ii) If available, the defendant's prior criminal history that occurred in any tribal jurisdiction; and
 - (iii) The defendant's individual order history.

- (b) For the purposes of (a) of this subsection, criminal history includes all previous convictions and orders of deferred prosecution, as reported through the judicial information system or otherwise available to the court or prosecutor, current to within the period specified in (c) of this subsection before the date of sentencing.
- (c) The periods applicable to previous convictions and orders of deferred prosecution are:
- (i) One working day, in the case of previous actions of courts that fully participate in the state judicial information system; and
- (ii) Seven calendar days, in the case of previous actions of courts that do not fully participate in the judicial information system. For the purposes of this subsection, "fully participate" means regularly providing records to and receiving records from the system by electronic means on a daily basis.
- (4) When sentencing a defendant for the crime of intimate partner domestic violence with a high lethality designation under section 101 of this act, other than a crime that would cause the defendant to be ineligible to possess firearms under RCW 9.41.040, the court must order the defendant to surrender all firearms and dangerous weapons on the day of release from any term of confinement, or, if the defendant does not serve a term of confinement, on the day the order is entered.

Sec. 601. RCW 9.41.340 and 2020 c 29 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) $\underline{\text{(a)}}$ Each law enforcement agency shall develop a notification protocol that $\underline{\text{((allows))}}$:
- (i) Allows a family or household member or intimate partner to use an incident or case number to request to be notified when a law enforcement agency returns a privately owned firearm to the individual from whom it was obtained or to an authorized representative of that person; and
- (ii) Requires notification to any person identified in a nocontact order or protection order and any identified victim of the crime that resulted in the firearm surrender.
- (((a))) <u>(b)(i)</u> Notification may be made via telephone, email, text message, or another method that allows notification to be provided without unnecessary delay.
- $((\frac{b}{b}))$ (ii) If a law enforcement agency is in possession of more than one privately owned firearm from a single person, notification relating to the return of one firearm shall be considered notification for all privately owned firearms for that person.
- (2) A law enforcement agency shall not provide notification to any party other than ((a family or household member or intimate partner who has an incident or case number and who has requested to be notified pursuant to this section or another criminal justice agency)) as authorized or required under subsection (1) of this section.
- (3) The information provided by a family or household member or intimate partner pursuant to chapter 130, Laws of 2015, including the existence of the request for notification, is not subject to public disclosure pursuant to chapter 42.56 RCW.
- (4) An appointed or elected official, public employee, or public agency as defined in RCW 4.24.470, or combination of units of local government and its employees, as provided in RCW 36.28A.010, are immune from civil liability for damages for any release of information or the failure to release information related to this section, so long as the release or failure was without gross negligence.
- 37 (5) An individual who knowingly makes a request for notification 38 under this section based on false information may be held liable 39 under RCW 9A.76.175.

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Sec. 602. RCW 9.41.345 and 2020 c 29 s 6 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

- (1) Before a law enforcement agency returns a privately owned firearm, the law enforcement agency must:
- (a) Confirm that the individual to whom the firearm will be returned is the individual from whom the firearm was obtained or an authorized representative of that person;
- (b) Confirm that the individual to whom the firearm will be returned is eligible to possess a firearm pursuant to RCW 9.41.040;
- (c) Ensure that the firearm is not otherwise required to be held in custody or otherwise prohibited from being released; and
- (d) Ensure that twenty-four hours have elapsed from the time the firearm was obtained by law enforcement, unless the firearm was seized in connection with a domestic violence call pursuant to RCW 10.99.030, in which case the law enforcement agency must ensure that five business days have elapsed from the time the firearm was obtained.
- (2) (a) Once the requirements in subsections (1) and (3) of this section have been met, a law enforcement agency must release a firearm to the individual from whom it was obtained or an authorized representative of that person upon request without unnecessary delay.
- (b)(i) If a firearm cannot be returned because it is required to be held in custody or is otherwise prohibited from being released, a law enforcement agency must provide written notice to the individual from whom it was obtained within five business days of the individual requesting return of his or her firearm and specify the reason the firearm must be held in custody.
- (ii) Notification may be made via email, text message, mail service, or personal service. For methods other than personal service, service shall be considered complete once the notification is sent.
- (3) If ((a family or household member or intimate partner has requested to be notified pursuant to RCW 9.41.340)) notification is required under RCW 9.41.340(1)(a) (i) or (ii), a law enforcement agency must:
- (a) Provide notice to the family or household member ((\(\frac{\psi}{\psi}\)), intimate partner, identified victim, or person identified in a no contact order or a protection order within one business day of verifying that the requirements in subsection (1) of this section have been met; and

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1 (b) Hold the firearm in custody for seventy-two hours from the 2 time notification has been provided.

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- (4) (a) A law enforcement agency may not return a concealed pistol license that has been surrendered to, or impounded by, the law enforcement agency for any reason to the licensee until the law enforcement agency determines the licensee is eligible to possess a firearm under state and federal law and meets the other eligibility requirements for a concealed pistol license under RCW 9.41.070.
- 9 (b) A law enforcement agency must release a concealed pistol 10 license to the licensee without unnecessary delay, and in no case 11 longer than five business days, after the law enforcement agency 12 determines the requirements of (a) of this subsection have been met.
- (5) The provisions of chapter 130, Laws of 2015 and subsection (4) of this section shall not apply to circumstances where a law enforcement officer has momentarily obtained a firearm or concealed pistol license from an individual and would otherwise immediately return the firearm or concealed pistol license to the individual during the same interaction.
- 19 **Sec. 603.** RCW 9.41.800 and 2022 c 268 s 29 are each amended to 20 read as follows:
- (1) Any court when entering an order authorized under chapter 7.105 RCW, RCW 9A.46.080, 10.99.040, 10.99.045, 26.09.050, 26.09.060, 26.26B.020, or 26.26A.470 shall, upon a showing by a preponderance of the evidence, that a party has: Used, displayed, or threatened to use a firearm or other dangerous weapon in a felony, or is ineligible to possess a firearm under the provisions of RCW 9.41.040:
- 27 (a) Require that the party immediately surrender all firearms and other dangerous weapons;
- 29 (b) Require that the party immediately surrender any concealed 30 pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070;
 - (c) Prohibit the party from accessing, having in his or her custody or control, possessing, purchasing, receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, any firearms or other dangerous weapons;
 - (d) Prohibit the party from obtaining or possessing a concealed pistol license;
- 36 (e) Other than for ex parte temporary protection orders, unless 37 the ex parte temporary protection order was reissued after the party 38 received noticed and had an opportunity to be heard, direct law

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enforcement to revoke any concealed pistol license issued to the party.

- (2) During any period of time that the party is subject to a court order issued under chapter 7.105, 9A.46, 10.99, 26.09, 26.26A, or 26.26B RCW that:
- (a) Was issued after a hearing of which the party received actual notice, and at which the party had an opportunity to participate, whether the court then issues a full order or reissues a temporary order. If the court enters an agreed order by the parties without a hearing, such an order meets the requirements of this subsection;
- (b) Restrains the party from harassing, stalking, or threatening an intimate partner of the party, the protected person, or child of the intimate partner, party, or protected person, or engaging in other conduct that would place an intimate partner or protected person in reasonable fear of bodily injury to the intimate partner, protected person, or child; and
- (c)(i) Includes a finding that the party represents a credible threat to the physical safety of the intimate partner, protected person, or child; or
 - (ii) By its terms, explicitly prohibits the use, attempted use, or threatened use of physical force against the intimate partner, protected person, or child that would reasonably be expected to cause bodily injury, the court shall:
- 24 (A) Require that the party immediately surrender all firearms and other dangerous weapons;
 - (B) Require that the party immediately surrender a concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070;
 - (C) Prohibit the party from accessing, having in his or her custody or control, possessing, purchasing, receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive, any firearms or other dangerous weapons; and
- 31 (D) Prohibit the party from obtaining or possessing a concealed 32 pistol license.
 - (3) The court may order temporary surrender and prohibit the purchase of all firearms and other dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license, without notice to the other party if it finds, on the basis of the moving affidavit or other evidence, that irreparable injury could result if an order is not issued until the time for response has elapsed.
- 39 (4) In addition to the provisions of subsections (1) and (3) of 40 this section, the court may enter an order requiring a party to

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comply with the provisions in subsection (1) of this section if it finds that the possession of a firearm or other dangerous weapon by any party presents a serious and imminent threat to public health or safety, or to the health or safety of any individual.

- (5) The requirements of subsections (1) and (4) of this section may be for a period of time less than the duration of the order.
- (6) The court shall require the party to surrender all firearms and other dangerous weapons in his or her immediate possession or control or subject to his or her immediate possession or control, and any concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070, to the local law enforcement agency. The court may order the search for and seizure of any firearm or dangerous weapon at any location where the court has probable cause to believe the firearm or dangerous weapon is located. The court order must state with specificity the reasons for and scope of the search and seizure authorized.
- (7) Law enforcement officers shall use law enforcement databases to assist in locating the party in situations where the protected person does not know where the party lives or where there is evidence that the party is trying to evade service.
- $((\frac{1}{2}))$ (8) If the court enters a protection order, restraining order, or no-contact order that includes an order to surrender firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license under this section:
 - (a) The order must be served by a law enforcement officer; and
- (b) Law enforcement must immediately ensure entry of the order to surrender and prohibit weapons and the revocation of any concealed pistol license is made into the appropriate databases making the party ineligible to possess firearms and a concealed pistol license.
- **Sec. 604.** RCW 9.41.801 and 2022 c 268 s 30 are each amended to 30 read as follows:
 - (1) Because of the heightened risk of lethality to petitioners when respondents to protection orders become aware of court involvement and continue to have access to firearms, and the frequency of noncompliance with court orders prohibiting possession of firearms, law enforcement and judicial processes must emphasize swift and certain compliance with court orders prohibiting access, possession, and ownership of all firearms.
 - (2) (a) A law enforcement officer serving a protection order, nocontact order, or restraining order that includes an order to

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surrender all firearms, dangerous weapons, and a concealed pistol license under RCW 9.41.800 shall inform the respondent that the order effective upon service and the respondent must immediately surrender all firearms and dangerous weapons in the respondent's custody, control, or possession and any concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070, and conduct any search permitted by law for such firearms, dangerous weapons, and concealed pistol license. The law enforcement officer shall take possession of all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license belonging to the respondent that are surrendered, in plain sight, or discovered pursuant to a lawful search. If the order is entered in open court and the respondent appears in person, the respondent shall be provided a copy and further service is not required. If the respondent refuses to receive a copy, an agent of the court may indicate on the record that the respondent refused to receive a copy of the order. If the respondent appears remotely for the hearing, or leaves the hearing before a final ruling is issued or order signed, and the court believes the respondent has sufficient notice such that additional service is not necessary, the order must recite that the respondent appeared before the court, has actual notice of the order, the necessity for further service is waived, and proof of service of the order is not necessary. The court shall enter the service and receipt into the record. A copy of the order and service shall be transmitted immediately to law enforcement. The respondent must immediately surrender all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license in a safe manner to the control of the local law enforcement agency on the day of the hearing at which the respondent was present in person or remotely. ((Alternatively, if personal service by a law enforcement officer is not possible, and the respondent did not appear in person or remotely at the hearing, the respondent shall surrender the firearms in a safe manner to the control of the local law enforcement agency within 24 hours of being served with the order by alternate service.))

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(b) Because of the heightened risk of serious violence after arrest for a crime of domestic violence, when there is a high lethality designation under section 101 of this act and the court has probable cause to believe that a person serving a term of confinement for an offense requiring the surrender of firearms or other dangerous weapons continues to possess such firearms or dangerous weapons, the court must order a law enforcement officer to accompany the person to

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the location where the court has probable cause to believe the firearms or dangerous weapons are stored. The law enforcement officer must immediately take possession of any firearms or dangerous weapons the officer finds at the location.

- (3) At the time of surrender, a law enforcement officer taking possession of firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license shall issue a receipt identifying all firearms, dangerous weapons, and any concealed pistol license that have been surrendered and provide a copy of the receipt to the respondent. The law enforcement agency shall file the original receipt with the court within 24 hours after service of the order and retain a copy of the receipt, electronically whenever electronic filing is available.
- (4) Upon the sworn statement or testimony of the petitioner or of any law enforcement officer alleging that the respondent has failed to comply with the surrender of firearms or dangerous weapons as required by an order issued under RCW 9.41.800 or 10.99.100, the court shall determine whether probable cause exists to believe that the respondent has failed to surrender all firearms and dangerous weapons in their possession, custody, or control. If probable cause exists that a crime occurred, the court shall issue a warrant describing the firearms or dangerous weapons and authorizing a search of the locations where the firearms and dangerous weapons are reasonably believed to be and the seizure of all firearms and dangerous weapons discovered pursuant to such search.
- (5) If a person other than the respondent claims title to any firearms or dangerous weapons surrendered pursuant to this section, and the person is determined by the law enforcement agency to be the lawful owner of the firearm or dangerous weapon, the firearm or dangerous weapon shall be returned to the lawful owner, provided that:
- (a) The firearm or dangerous weapon is removed from the respondent's access, custody, control, or possession and the lawful owner agrees by written document signed under penalty of perjury to store the firearm or dangerous weapon in a manner such that the respondent does not have access to or control of the firearm or dangerous weapon;
- 37 (b) The firearm or dangerous weapon is not otherwise unlawfully 38 possessed by the owner; and
 - (c) The requirements of RCW 9.41.345 are met.

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(6) Courts shall develop procedures to verify timely and complete compliance with orders to surrender and prohibit weapons under RCW 9.41.800 or 10.99.100, including compliance review hearings to be held as soon as possible upon receipt from law enforcement of proof of service. ((A compliance review hearing is not required if the court can otherwise enter findings on the record or enter written findings that the proof of surrender or declaration of nonsurrender attested to by the person subject to the order, along with verification from law enforcement and any other relevant evidence, makes a sufficient showing that the person has timely and completely surrendered all firearms and dangerous weapons in the person's custody, control, or possession, and any concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070, to a law enforcement agency. If the court does not have a sufficient record before it on which to make such a finding, the)) The court must set a review hearing to occur as soon as possible at which the respondent must be present and provide proof of compliance with the court's order. Courts shall make available forms that petitioners may complete and submit to the court in response to a respondent's declaration of whether the respondent has surrendered weapons.

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- (7) (a) If a court finds at the compliance review hearing, or any other hearing where compliance with the order to surrender and prohibit weapons is addressed, that there is probable cause to believe the respondent was aware of and failed to fully comply with the order, failed to appear at the compliance review hearing, or violated the order after the court entered findings of compliance, pursuant to its authority under chapter 7.21 RCW, the court ((may)) must issue an arrest warrant and initiate a contempt proceeding to impose remedial sanctions on its own motion, or upon the motion of the prosecutor, city attorney, or the petitioner's counsel, and issue an order requiring the respondent to appear, provide proof of compliance with the order, and show cause why the respondent should not be held in contempt of court.
- (b) If the respondent is not present in court at the compliance review hearing or if the court issues an order to appear and show cause after a compliance review hearing, the clerk of the court shall electronically transmit a copy of the order to show cause to the law enforcement agency where the respondent resides for personal service or service in the manner provided in the civil rules of superior court or applicable statute. Law enforcement shall also serve a copy

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of the order to show cause on the petitioner, either electronically or in person, at no cost.

- (c) The order to show cause served upon the respondent shall state the date, time, and location of the hearing and shall include a warning that the respondent may be held in contempt of court if the respondent fails to promptly comply with the terms of the order to surrender and prohibit weapons and a warning that an arrest warrant could be issued if the respondent fails to appear on the date and time provided in the order.
- (d)(i) At the show cause hearing, the respondent must be present and provide proof of compliance with the underlying court order to surrender and prohibit weapons and demonstrate why the relief requested should not be granted.
- (ii) The court shall take judicial notice of the receipt filed with the court by the law enforcement agency pursuant to subsection (3) of this section. The court shall also provide sufficient notice to the law enforcement agency of the hearing. Upon receiving notice pursuant to this subsection, a law enforcement agency must:
- (A) Provide the court with a complete list of firearms and other dangerous weapons surrendered by the respondent or otherwise belonging to the respondent that are in the possession of the law enforcement agency; and
- (B) Provide the court with verification that any concealed pistol license issued to the respondent has been surrendered and the agency with authority to revoke the license has been notified.
- (iii) If the law enforcement agency has a reasonable suspicion that the respondent is not in full compliance with the terms of the order, the law enforcement agency must submit the basis for its belief to the court, and may do so through the filing of a declaration.
- (e) If the court finds the respondent in contempt, the court may impose remedial sanctions designed to ensure swift compliance with the order to surrender and prohibit weapons.
 - (f) The court may order a respondent found in contempt of the order to surrender and prohibit weapons to pay for any losses incurred by a party in connection with the contempt proceeding, including reasonable attorneys' fees, service fees, and other costs. The costs of the proceeding shall not be borne by the petitioner.
- 39 (8)(a) To help ensure that accurate and comprehensive information 40 about firearms compliance is provided to judicial officers, a

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representative from either the prosecuting attorney's office or city attorney's office, or both, from the relevant jurisdiction may appear and be heard at any hearing that concerns compliance with an order to surrender and prohibit weapons issued in connection with another type of protection order.

- (b) Either the prosecuting attorney's office or city attorney's office, or both, from the relevant jurisdiction may designate an advocate or a staff person from their office who is not an attorney to appear on behalf of their office. Such appearance does not constitute the unauthorized practice of law.
- (9) (a) An order to surrender and prohibit weapons issued pursuant to RCW 9.41.800 must state that the act of voluntarily surrendering firearms or weapons, or providing testimony relating to the surrender of firearms or weapons, pursuant to such an order, may not be used against the respondent in any criminal prosecution under this chapter, chapter 7.105 RCW, or RCW 9A.56.310.
- (b) To provide relevant information to the court to determine compliance with the order, the court may allow the prosecuting attorney or city attorney to question the respondent regarding compliance.
- (10) All law enforcement agencies must have policies and procedures to provide for the acceptance, storage, and return of firearms, dangerous weapons, and concealed pistol licenses that a court requires must be surrendered under RCW 9.41.800. A law enforcement agency holding any firearm or concealed pistol license that has been surrendered under RCW 9.41.800 shall comply with the provisions of RCW 9.41.340 and 9.41.345 before the return of the firearm or concealed pistol license to the owner or individual from whom it was obtained.
- (11) The administrative office of the courts shall create a statewide pattern form to assist the courts in ensuring timely and complete compliance in a consistent manner with orders issued under this chapter. The administrative office of the courts shall report annually on the number of orders issued under this chapter by each court, the degree of compliance, and the number of firearms obtained, and may make recommendations regarding additional procedures to enhance compliance and victim safety.
- **Sec. 605.** RCW 9.41.804 and 2014 c 111 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:

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- ((A)) (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, a party ordered to surrender firearms, dangerous weapons, and his or her concealed pistol license under RCW 9.41.800 must file with the clerk of the court a proof of surrender and receipt form or a declaration of nonsurrender form within five judicial days of the entry of the order.
- (2) A person ordered to surrender firearms or dangerous weapons under RCW 10.99.100 must file with the clerk of the court a proof of surrender and receipt form or a declaration of nonsurrender form on the same day the defendant is released from any term of confinement, or, if the defendant is not sentenced to a term of confinement, on the same day as the entry of the order.
- **Sec. 606.** RCW 7.105.340 and 2022 c 268 s 19 are each amended to 14 read as follows:
- 15 (1) Upon the issuance of any extreme risk protection order under this chapter, including a temporary extreme risk protection order((τ 17 the)):
- 18 (a) The court shall:

- $((\frac{(a)}{(a)}))$ <u>(i)</u> Order the respondent to surrender to the local law enforcement agency all firearms in the respondent's custody, control, or possession, and any concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070; and
- (((b))) <u>(ii)</u> Other than for ex parte temporary protection orders, direct law enforcement to revoke any concealed pistol license issued to the respondent;
 - (b) The court may order the search for and seizure of any firearm or dangerous weapon at any location where the court has probable cause to believe the firearm or dangerous weapon is located. The court order must state with specificity the reasons for and scope of the search and seizure authorized.
 - (2) The law enforcement officer serving any extreme risk protection order under this chapter, including a temporary extreme risk protection order, shall request that the respondent immediately surrender all firearms in his or her custody, control, or possession, and any concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070, and conduct any search permitted by law for such firearms. The law enforcement officer shall take possession of all firearms belonging to the respondent that are surrendered, in plain sight, or discovered pursuant to a lawful search. If the order is entered in open court

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and the respondent appears in person, the respondent must be provided 1 a copy and further service is not required. If the respondent refuses 2 to accept a copy, an agent of the court may indicate on the record 3 that the respondent refused to accept a copy of the order. If the 4 respondent appears remotely for the hearing, or leaves the hearing 5 6 before a final ruling is issued or order signed, and the court believes the respondent has sufficient notice such that additional 7 service is not necessary, the order must recite that the respondent 8 appeared before the court, has actual notice of the order, the 9 necessity for further service is waived, and proof of service of the 10 11 order is not necessary. The court shall enter the service and receipt 12 into the record. A copy of the order and service must be transmitted immediately to law enforcement. The respondent must immediately 13 surrender all firearms and any concealed pistol license, not 14 previously surrendered, in a safe manner to the control of the local 15 16 law enforcement agency on the day of the hearing at which the 17 respondent was present in person or remotely. If the respondent is in custody, arrangements to recover the firearms must be made prior to 18 release. Alternatively, if personal service by a law enforcement 19 officer is not possible, and the respondent did not appear in person 20 21 or remotely at the hearing, the respondent shall surrender the firearms in a safe manner to the control of the local law enforcement 22 23 agency within 24 hours of being served with the order by alternate service. 24

(3) At the time of surrender, a law enforcement officer taking possession of a firearm or concealed pistol license shall issue a receipt identifying all firearms that have been surrendered and provide a copy of the receipt to the respondent. Within 72 hours after service of the order, the officer serving the order shall file the original receipt with the court and shall ensure that his or her law enforcement agency retains a copy of the receipt.

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(4) Upon the sworn statement or testimony of the petitioner or of any law enforcement officer alleging that the respondent has failed to comply with the surrender of firearms as required by an order issued under this chapter, the court shall determine whether probable cause exists to believe that the respondent has failed to surrender all firearms in his or her possession, custody, or control. If probable cause for a violation of the order exists, the court shall issue a warrant describing the firearms and authorizing a search of

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the locations where the firearms are reasonably believed to be and the seizure of any firearms discovered pursuant to such search.

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- (5) If a person other than the respondent claims title to any firearms surrendered pursuant to this section, and that person is determined by the law enforcement agency to be the lawful owner of the firearm, the firearm must be returned to that person, provided that:
- (a) The firearm is removed from the respondent's custody, control, or possession, and the lawful owner provides written verification to the court regarding how the lawful owner will safely store the firearm in a manner such that the respondent does not have access to, or control of, the firearm for the duration of the order;
- 13 (b) The court advises the lawful owner of the penalty for failure 14 to do so; and
- 15 (c) The firearm is not otherwise unlawfully possessed by the 16 owner.
 - (6) Upon the issuance of a one-year extreme risk protection order, the court shall order a new compliance review hearing date and require the respondent to appear not later than three judicial days from the issuance of the order. The court shall require a showing that the respondent has surrendered any firearms in the respondent's custody, control, or possession, and any concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070 to a law enforcement agency. The compliance review hearing is not required upon a satisfactory showing on which the court can otherwise enter findings on the record that the respondent has timely and completely surrendered all firearms in the respondent's custody, control, or possession, and any concealed pistol license issued under RCW 9.41.070 to a law enforcement agency, and is in compliance with the order. If the court does not have a sufficient record before it on which to make such a finding, the court must set a review hearing to occur as soon as possible, at which the respondent must be present and provide proof of compliance with the court's order.
 - (7) (a) If a court finds at the compliance review hearing, or any other hearing where compliance with the order is addressed, that there is probable cause to believe the respondent was aware of, and failed to fully comply with, the order, failed to appear at the compliance review hearing, or violated the order after the court entered findings of compliance, pursuant to its authority under chapter 7.21 RCW, the court may initiate a contempt proceeding on its

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own motion, or upon the motion of the prosecutor, city attorney, or the petitioner's counsel, to impose remedial sanctions, and issue an order requiring the respondent to appear, provide proof of compliance with the order, and show cause why the respondent should not be held in contempt of court.

- (b) If the respondent is not present in court at the compliance review hearing or if the court issues an order to appear and show cause after a compliance review hearing, the clerk of the court shall electronically transmit a copy of the order to show cause to the law enforcement agency where the respondent resides for personal service or service in the manner provided in the civil rules of superior court or applicable statute.
- (c) The order to show cause served upon the respondent shall state the date, time, and location of the hearing, and shall include a warning that the respondent may be held in contempt of court if the respondent fails to promptly comply with the terms of the extreme risk protection order and a warning that an arrest warrant could be issued if the respondent fails to appear on the date and time provided in the order to show cause.
- (d)(i) At the show cause hearing, the respondent must be present and provide proof of compliance with the extreme risk protection order and demonstrate why the relief requested should not be granted.
- (ii) The court shall take judicial notice of the receipt filed with the court by the law enforcement agency pursuant to subsection (3) of this section. The court shall also provide sufficient notice to the law enforcement agency of the hearing. Upon receiving notice pursuant to this subsection, a law enforcement agency must:
- (A) Provide the court with a complete list of firearms surrendered by the respondent or otherwise belonging to the respondent that are in the possession of the law enforcement agency; and
- (B) Provide the court with verification that any concealed pistol license issued to the respondent has been surrendered and that a law enforcement agency with authority to revoke the license has been notified.
- 36 (iii) If the law enforcement agency has a reasonable suspicion 37 that the respondent is not in full compliance with the terms of the 38 order, the law enforcement agency must submit the basis for its 39 belief to the court, and may do so through the filing of an 40 affidavit.

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- (e) If the court finds the respondent in contempt, the court may impose remedial sanctions designed to ensure swift compliance with the order to surrender and prohibit weapons.
- (f) The court may order a respondent found in contempt of the order to pay for any losses incurred by a party in connection with the contempt proceeding, including reasonable attorneys' fees, service fees, and other costs. The costs of the proceeding must not be borne by the petitioner.
- (8) (a) To help ensure that accurate and comprehensive information about firearms compliance is provided to judicial officers, a representative from either the prosecuting attorney's office or city attorney's office, or both, from the relevant jurisdiction may appear and be heard at any hearing that concerns compliance with an extreme risk protection order.
- (b) Either the prosecuting attorney's office or city attorney's office, or both, from the relevant jurisdiction may designate an advocate or a staff person from their office who is not an attorney to appear on behalf of their office. Such appearance does not constitute the unauthorized practice of law.
- (9) (a) An extreme risk protection order must state that the act of voluntarily surrendering firearms, or providing testimony relating to the surrender of firearms, pursuant to such an order, may not be used against the respondent in any criminal prosecution under this chapter, chapter 9.41 RCW, or RCW 9A.56.310.
- (b) To provide relevant information to the court to determine compliance with the order, the court may allow the prosecuting attorney or city attorney to question the respondent regarding compliance.
- (10) All law enforcement agencies must develop and implement policies and procedures regarding the acceptance, storage, and return of firearms required to be surrendered under this chapter. Any surrendered firearms must be handled and stored properly to prevent damage or degradation in appearance or function, and the condition of the surrendered firearms documented, including by digital photograph. A law enforcement agency holding any surrendered firearm or concealed pistol license shall comply with the provisions of RCW 9.41.340 and 9.41.345 before the return of the firearm or concealed pistol license to the owner or individual from whom it was obtained.

Sec. 701. RCW 40.24.030 and 2022 c 231 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1)(a) An adult person, a parent or guardian acting on behalf of a minor, or a guardian acting on behalf of an incapacitated person, $((as defined in RCW 11.88.010_r))$ (b) any election official as described in RCW 9A.90.120 who is a target for threats or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or (iv), and any ($(\frac{family}{a})$) members)) person residing with him or her, and (c) any criminal justice participant as defined in RCW 9A.46.020 who is a target for threats or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.46.020(2)(b) (iii) or (iv) and any criminal justice participant as defined in RCW 9A.90.120 who is a target for threats or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or (iv), and any ((family members)) person residing with him or her, may apply to the secretary of state to have an address designated by the secretary of state serve as the person's address or the address of the minor or incapacitated person. The secretary of state shall approve an application if it is filed in the manner and on the form prescribed by the secretary of state and if it contains:
- (i) A sworn statement, under penalty of perjury, by the applicant that the applicant has good reason to believe (A) that the applicant, or the minor or incapacitated person on whose behalf the application is made, is a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking, or stalking and that the applicant fears for his or her safety or his or her children's safety, or the safety of the minor or incapacitated person on whose behalf the application is made((+)) (B) that the applicant, as an election official as described in RCW 9A.90.120, is a target for threats or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or (iv); or (C) that the applicant, as a criminal justice participant as defined in RCW 9A.46.020(2)(b) (iii) or (iv), or that the applicant, as a criminal justice participant as defined in RCW 9A.90.120 is a target for threats or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120 is a target for threats or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120 is a target for threats or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or (iv);
- (ii) If applicable, a sworn statement, under penalty of perjury, by the applicant, that the applicant has reason to believe they are a victim of (A) domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking perpetrated by an employee of a law enforcement agency, $or((\div))$ (B) threats or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or (iv) or 9A.46.020(2)(b) (iii) or (iv);

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- 1 (iii) A designation of the secretary of state as agent for 2 purposes of service of process and for the purpose of receipt of 3 mail;
 - (iv) The residential address and any telephone number where the applicant can be contacted by the secretary of state, which shall not be disclosed because disclosure will increase the risk of (A) domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking, or stalking, or (B) threats or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or (iv) or 9A.46.020(2)(b) (iii) or (iv);
- 10 (v) The signature of the applicant and of any individual or 11 representative of any office designated in writing under RCW 12 40.24.080 who assisted in the preparation of the application, and the 13 date on which the applicant signed the application.
- 14 (2) Applications shall be filed with the office of the secretary 15 of state.
 - (3) Upon filing a properly completed application, the secretary of state shall certify the applicant as a program participant. Applicants shall be certified for four years following the date of filing unless the certification is withdrawn or invalidated before that date. The secretary of state shall by rule establish a renewal procedure.
 - (4) (a) During the application process, the secretary of state shall provide each applicant a form to direct the department of licensing to change the address of registration for vehicles or vessels solely or jointly registered to the applicant and the address associated with the applicant's driver's license or identicard to the applicant's address as designated by the secretary of state upon certification in the program. The directive to the department of licensing is only valid if signed by the applicant. The directive may only include information required by the department of licensing to verify the applicant's identity and ownership information for vehicles and vessels. This information is limited to the:
 - (i) Applicant's full legal name;
- 34 (ii) Applicant's Washington driver's license or identicard 35 number;
 - (iii) Applicant's date of birth;

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(iv) Vehicle identification number and license plate number for as each vehicle solely or jointly registered to the applicant; and

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1 (v) Hull identification number or vessel document number and 2 vessel decal number for each vessel solely or jointly registered to 3 the applicant.

- (b) Upon certification of the applicants, the secretary of state shall transmit completed and signed directives to the department of licensing.
- (c) Within 30 days of receiving a completed and signed directive, the department of licensing shall update the applicant's address on registration and licensing records.
- 10 (d) Applicants are not required to sign the directive to the 11 department of licensing to be certified as a program participant.
 - (5) A person who knowingly provides false or incorrect information upon making an application or falsely attests in an application that disclosure of the applicant's address would endanger (a) the applicant's safety or the safety of the applicant's children or the minor or incapacitated person on whose behalf the application is made, (b) the safety of any election official as described in RCW 9A.90.120 who is a target for threats or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or (iv), or (c) the safety of any criminal justice participant as defined in RCW 9A.46.020 who is a target for threats or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.46.020(2)(b) (iii) or (iv) or of any criminal justice participant as defined in RCW 9A.90.120 who is a target for threats or harassment prohibited under RCW 9A.90.120(2)(b) (iii) or (iv), or any family members residing with him or her, shall be punished under RCW 40.16.030 or other applicable statutes.
- **Sec. 702.** RCW 42.17A.710 and 2019 c 428 s 36 are each amended to 28 read as follows:
 - (1) The statement of financial affairs required by RCW 42.17A.700 shall disclose the following information for the reporting individual and each member of the reporting individual's immediate family:
 - (a) Occupation, name of employer, and business address;
 - (b) Each bank account, savings account, and insurance policy in which a direct financial interest was held that exceeds twenty thousand dollars at any time during the reporting period; each other item of intangible personal property in which a direct financial interest was held that exceeds two thousand dollars during the reporting period; the name, address, and nature of the entity; and

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the nature and highest value of each direct financial interest during the reporting period;

- (c) The name and address of each creditor to whom the value of two thousand dollars or more was owed; the original amount of each debt to each creditor; the amount of each debt owed to each creditor as of the date of filing; the terms of repayment of each debt; and the security given, if any, for each such debt. Debts arising from a "retail installment transaction" as defined in chapter 63.14 RCW (retail installment sales act) need not be reported;
- (d) Every public or private office, directorship, and position held as trustee; except that an elected official or executive state officer need not report the elected official's or executive state officer's service on a governmental board, commission, association, or functional equivalent, when such service is part of the elected official's or executive state officer's official duties;
- (e) All persons for whom any legislation, rule, rate, or standard has been prepared, promoted, or opposed for current or deferred compensation. For the purposes of this subsection, "compensation" does not include payments made to the person reporting by the governmental entity for which the person serves as an elected official or state executive officer or professional staff member for the person's service in office; the description of such actual or proposed legislation, rules, rates, or standards; and the amount of current or deferred compensation paid or promised to be paid;
- (f) The name and address of each governmental entity, corporation, partnership, joint venture, sole proprietorship, association, union, or other business or commercial entity from whom compensation has been received in any form of a total value of two thousand dollars or more; the value of the compensation; and the consideration given or performed in exchange for the compensation;
- (g) The name of any corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, union, or other entity in which is held any office, directorship, or any general partnership interest, or an ownership interest of ten percent or more; the name or title of that office, directorship, or partnership; the nature of ownership interest; and:

 (i) With respect to a governmental unit in which the official seeks or holds any office or position, if the entity has received compensation in any form during the preceding twelve months from the governmental unit, the value of the compensation and the consideration given or performed in exchange for the compensation;

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1 (ii) the name of each governmental unit, corporation, partnership, joint venture, sole proprietorship, association, union, 2 3 or other business or commercial entity from which the entity has received compensation in any form in the amount of ten thousand 4 dollars or more during the preceding twelve months and the 5 6 consideration given or performed in exchange for the compensation. As used in (g)(ii) of this subsection, "compensation" does not include 7 payment for water and other utility services at rates approved by the 8 Washington state utilities and transportation commission or the 9 legislative authority of the public entity providing the service. 10 With respect to any bank or commercial lending institution in which 11 12 is held any office, directorship, partnership interest, or ownership interest, it shall only be necessary to report either the name, 13 address, and occupation of every director and officer of the bank or 14 commercial lending institution and the average monthly balance of 15 16 each account held during the preceding twelve months by the bank or 17 commercial lending institution from the governmental entity for which the individual is an official or candidate or professional staff 18 19 member, or all interest paid by a borrower on loans from and all interest paid to a depositor by the bank or commercial lending 20 21 institution if the interest exceeds two thousand four hundred 22 dollars;

(h) A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as prescribed by the commission, of all real property in the state of Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds ten thousand dollars in which any direct financial interest was acquired during the preceding calendar year, and a statement of the amount and nature of the financial interest and of the consideration given in exchange for that interest;

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- (i) A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as prescribed by the commission, of all real property in the state of Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds ten thousand dollars in which any direct financial interest was divested during the preceding calendar year, and a statement of the amount and nature of the consideration received in exchange for that interest, and the name and address of the person furnishing the consideration;
- (j) A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as prescribed by the commission, of all real property in the state of Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds ten thousand dollars in which a direct financial interest was held. If a

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- description of the property has been included in a report previously filed, the property may be listed, for purposes of this subsection (1)(j), by reference to the previously filed report;
 - (k) A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as prescribed by the commission, of all real property in the state of Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds twenty thousand dollars, in which a corporation, partnership, firm, enterprise, or other entity had a direct financial interest, in which corporation, partnership, firm, or enterprise a ten percent or greater ownership interest was held;
 - (1) A list of each occasion, specifying date, donor, and amount, at which food and beverage in excess of fifty dollars was accepted under RCW 42.52.150(5);
- (m) A list of each occasion, specifying date, donor, and amount, at which items specified in RCW 42.52.010(9) (d) and (f) were accepted; and
 - (n) Such other information as the commission may deem necessary in order to properly carry out the purposes and policies of this chapter, as the commission shall prescribe by rule.
 - (2) (a) When judges, prosecutors, sheriffs, participants in the address confidentiality program under RCW 40.24.030, or their immediate family members are required to disclose real property that is the personal residence of the judge, prosecutor, $((\Theta r))$ sheriff, or address confidentiality program participant, the requirements of subsection (1)(h) through (k) of this section may be satisfied for that property by substituting:
 - (i) The city or town;
- 28 (ii) The type of residence, such as a single-family or 29 multifamily residence, and the nature of ownership; and
- 30 (iii) Such other identifying information the commission 31 prescribes by rule for the mailing address where the property is 32 located.
- 33 (b) Nothing in this subsection relieves the judge, prosecutor, or 34 sheriff of any other applicable obligations to disclose potential 35 conflicts or to recuse oneself.
- 36 (3)(a) Where an amount is required to be reported under 37 subsection (1)(a) through (m) of this section, it may be reported 38 within a range as provided in (b) of this subsection.

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1	Code A	Less than thirty thousand dollars;
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8	Code E	At least two hundred thousand dollars, but
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10	Code F	At least five hundred thousand dollars, but
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13	Code G	At least seven hundred fifty thousand
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16	Code H	One million dollars or more.

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- 17 (c) An amount of stock may be reported by number of shares 18 instead of by market value. No provision of this subsection may be 19 interpreted to prevent any person from filing more information or 20 more detailed information than required.
 - (4) Items of value given to an official's or employee's spouse, domestic partner, or family member are attributable to the official or employee, except the item is not attributable if an independent business, family, or social relationship exists between the donor and the spouse, domestic partner, or family member.

Part VIII. Statewide Resources

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 801. A new section is added to chapter 43.101 28 RCW to read as follows:
 - (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the commission must administer a grant program for establishing a statewide resource prosecutor for domestic violence cases.
- 33 (2) The grant recipient must be a statewide organization or 34 association representing prosecuting attorneys. The grant recipient 35 must hire a resource prosecutor for the following purposes:

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1 (a) To provide technical assistance and research to prosecutors 2 for prosecuting domestic violence cases;

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- (b) To provide additional training and resources to prosecutors to support a trauma-informed, victim-centered approach to prosecuting domestic violence cases;
- (c) To meet regularly with law enforcement agencies and prosecutors to explain legal issues and prosecutorial approaches to domestic violence cases and provide and receive feedback to improve case outcomes;
- 10 (d) To consult with the commission with respect to developing and 11 implementing best practices for prosecuting domestic violence cases 12 across the state; and
- 13 (e) To comply with other requirements established by the commission under this section.
- 15 (3) The commission may establish additional appropriate conditions for any grant awarded under this section. The commission may adopt necessary policies and procedures to implement and administer the grant program, including monitoring the use of grant funds and compliance with the grant requirements.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 802. A new section is added to chapter 43.330 RCW to read as follows:
 - (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the department shall administer a pilot program to implement domestic violence high risk teams. A domestic violence high risk team must, at a minimum, include the following four elements:
 - (a) Early identification of the most dangerous cases through evidence-based lethality assessments;
- 28 (b) Increased access to supportive services for high-risk 29 victims;
 - (c) Increased perpetrator monitoring and accountability; and
 - (d) A coordinated response to high-risk cases through a multidisciplinary team.
- 33 (2) The department must administer the pilot program in 34 partnership with local domestic violence programs.
- 35 (3) When there is a high lethality designation under section 101 36 of this act in a civil or criminal domestic violence proceeding, the 37 court must refer the case to a domestic violence high risk team, if a 38 team is available in the relevant jurisdiction.

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- 1 (4) The department may scale the pilot program within the limits 2 of appropriated funds, but at least five teams must be available west 3 of the crest of the Cascade mountains and five teams east of the 4 crest of the Cascade mountains.
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 803.** A new section is added to chapter 43.20A 6 RCW to read as follows:
 - (1) By July 1, 2024, the department must establish the office of the statewide domestic violence ombuds to promote and protect the rights of victims of domestic violence and to ensure the intent of chapter 10.99 RCW is fulfilled.
 - (2) The office of the statewide domestic violence ombuds must:
 - (a) Receive, investigate, and attempt to address and resolve complaints related to the treatment of victims of domestic violence across systems, including both the civil and criminal legal systems;
 - (b) Implement a statewide case review system for civil domestic violence protection orders to examine and report on irregularities in rulings and judicial officer conduct; and
 - (c) Implement a statewide case review system for criminal domestic violence protection cases to examine and report on law enforcement responses and investigations, prosecutorial behavior, irregularities in rulings, and the conduct of judicial officers. The case review system must review cases from diverse geographic regions of the state and must include:
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- (A) The percentage of domestic violence protection order petitions that result in a full protection order being issued and regional variances therein; and
- (B) Categories of the bases upon which domestic violence protection orders are issued and the percentages of granted protection orders in each category, including physical violence, stalking, coercive control, and sexual assault;
- (ii) Trained volunteers that will provide both real-time case reviews in court and reviews of recorded court proceedings;
- 34 (iii) Information on the percentage of intimate partner violence 35 police reports that lead to charges and the conviction rate for these 36 charges; and
- 37 (iv) A review of case files from law enforcement agencies and 38 prosecuting attorneys selected by the office of the statewide 39 domestic violence ombuds in order to identify changes to training,

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investigatory, and prosecutorial practices necessary to optimize outcomes in domestic violence investigations and prosecutions. The review must include:

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- (A) An evaluation of whether current training and practices foster a trauma-informed, victim-centered approach, and whether practices prevent domestic violence homicides;
- (B) A comparison of arrests, charges, and convictions, including an analysis of the reasons why prosecutors decline to file charges; and
- (C) Randomly selected cases for a systematic review to assess whether current practices conform to national best practices for a multidisciplinary approach to investigating and prosecuting domestic violence cases and interacting with survivors.
- (3) The case review system may review and access files, including all reports and recordings, pertaining to closed cases involving allegations of domestic violence. Any law enforcement agency or prosecuting attorney selected for a review by the office of the statewide domestic violence ombuds must make requested case files and other documents available to the office of the statewide domestic violence ombuds, provided that the case files are not linked to ongoing, open investigations and that redactions may be made where appropriate and necessary. Agencies and prosecuting attorneys must include available information on the race and ethnicity of all victims in the relevant case files provided to the office of the statewide domestic violence ombuds. Case files and other documents must be made available to the office of the statewide domestic violence ombuds according to appropriate deadlines established by the office of the statewide domestic violence ombuds in consultation with the agency or prosecuting attorney.
- (4) In designing and conducting the case review system, the office of the statewide domestic violence ombuds must consult and collaborate with experts in trauma-informed and victim-centered training, experts in domestic violence investigations and prosecutions, domestic violence survivors, domestic violence victim advocates, and other stakeholders identified by the office of the statewide domestic violence ombuds. The office of the statewide domestic violence ombuds may form a multidisciplinary work group for the purpose of carrying out the requirements of this section.

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- 1 (5) The office of the statewide domestic violence ombuds must 2 provide semiannual reports to the governor, the supreme court, and 3 the appropriate committees of the legislature.
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 804.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.20 5 RCW to read as follows:
 - (1) The University of Washington must establish a center of excellence in domestic violence research, policy, and practice. The center is created to:
- 9 (a) Conduct scientifically rigorous intimate partner violence 10 research that informs policy and practice in Washington and serves as 11 a national model;
- 12 (b) Promote a collaborative, multidisciplinary approach to 13 addressing intimate partner violence, informed by community members 14 and practitioners;
 - (c) Collaborate with and be informed by survivors and community and governmental agencies that interact with and provide services to those affected by intimate partner violence;
 - (d) Disseminate research findings to assist in the development of evidence-based intimate partner violence policy and practice; and
- 20 (e) Assist in the support, success, and continued training of 21 intimate partner violence research scholars.
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- (a) Establish an advisory council for the center with representation from relevant disciplines across the University of Washington and intimate partner violence community groups in order to guide development of the center's overarching goals and strategic vision. The advisory council will also assist center leadership and core center faculty in identifying priority areas of research to best inform intimate partner violence policy and practice;
- (b) Award research grants to facilitate timely generation of research results to inform the legislature and others on key policy or practice-related issues relevant to those affected by intimate partner violence;
- (c) Generate an annual report beginning December 1, 2024, on the state of domestic violence in Washington, including available prevalence data;
- 37 (d) Conduct listening sessions with survivors of intimate partner 38 violence statewide, including survivors in urban and rural areas,

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black survivors, indigenous survivors, survivors of color, and
survivors who identify as part of the LGBTQ community;

- (e) Provide presentations and research-informed training to system actors, including domestic violence victim advocates;
- (f) Convene an annual statewide domestic violence summit. The first summit must occur by June 30, 2025;
- (g) Develop a statewide strategic plan to reduce intimate partner violence and increase support for victims. The preliminary strategic plan is due December 1, 2025, and must be updated every five years thereafter; and
- (h) Undertake a body of work related to domestic violence intervention treatment. This must include:
- (i) Executing a robust, multiyear research study to test the efficacy of various therapeutic interventions for domestic violence perpetrators aimed at reducing intimate partner violence, including intimate terrorism as defined in RCW 10.99.020. Treatment interventions may vary, but must include internal family systems and an evidence-based intervention for the treatment of suicidality, such as the collaborative assessment and management of suicidality or dialectical behavioral therapy; and
- (ii) Working with the department of health, domestic violence intervention treatment providers, insurance carriers, and other relevant entities in order to formulate a detailed plan that would facilitate medicaid and commercial insurance reimbursement for domestic violence intervention treatment in Washington. The plan must include licensing requirements and provider credentialing necessary for reimbursement, billing codes, needed changes to law or rule, and any other relevant information.

Part IX. Law Enforcement

NEW SECTION. Sec. 901. A new section is added to chapter 43.101 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the commission must provide ongoing specialized, intensive, and integrative training for persons responsible for investigating domestic violence cases involving intimate partners. The training must be based on a victim-centered, trauma-informed approach to responding to domestic violence. Among other subjects, the training must include content on the neurobiology of trauma and

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1 trauma-informed interviewing, counseling, and investigative
2 techniques.

- (2) The training must: Be based on research-based practices and standards; offer participants an opportunity to practice interview skills and receive feedback from instructors; minimize the trauma of all persons who are interviewed during investigations; provide methods of reducing the number of investigative interviews necessary whenever possible; assure, to the extent possible, that investigative interviews are thorough, objective, and complete; recognize needs of special populations; recognize the nature and consequences of domestic violence victimization; require investigative interviews to be conducted in a manner most likely to permit the interviewed persons the maximum emotional comfort under the circumstances; address record retention and retrieval; address documentation of investigative interviews; and educate investigators on the best practices for notifying victims of significant events in the investigative process.
- (3) In developing the training, the commission must seek advice from the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs, organizations representing victims of domestic violence, and experts on domestic violence and the neurobiology of trauma. The commission must consult with the Washington association of prosecuting attorneys in an effort to design training containing consistent elements for all professionals engaged in interviewing and interacting with domestic violence victims in the criminal legal system.
- (4) The commission must develop the training and begin offering it by January 1, 2025. Officers assigned to regularly investigate domestic violence must complete the training within one year of being assigned or by July 1, 2026, whichever is later.
- **Sec. 902.** RCW 10.31.100 and 2021 c 215 s 118 are each amended to 31 read as follows:

A police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing a felony shall have the authority to arrest the person without a warrant. A police officer may arrest a person without a warrant for committing a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor only when the offense is committed in the presence of an officer, except as provided in subsections (1) through (((11))) (12) of this section.

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(1) Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor, involving physical harm or threats of harm to any person or property or the unlawful taking of property or involving the use or possession of cannabis, or involving the acquisition, possession, or consumption of alcohol by a person under the age of twenty-one years under RCW 66.44.270, or involving criminal trespass under RCW 9A.52.070 or 9A.52.080, shall have the authority to arrest the person.

- (2) ((A)) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, a police officer shall arrest and ((take into)) keep in custody, ((pending release)) until release by a judicial officer on bail, personal recognizance, or court order, a person without a warrant when the officer has probable cause to believe that:
- (a) A domestic violence protection order, a sexual assault protection order, a stalking protection order, or a vulnerable adult protection order has been issued, of which the person has knowledge, under chapter 7.105 RCW, or an order has been issued, of which the person has knowledge, under RCW 26.44.063, or chapter 9A.40, 9A.46, 9A.88, 10.99, 26.09, ((26.10, 1)) 26.26A, 26.26B, or 74.34 RCW, or any of the former chapters 7.90, 7.92, and 26.50 RCW, restraining the person and the person has violated the terms of the order restraining the person from acts or threats of violence, or restraining the person from going onto the grounds of, or entering, a residence, workplace, school, or day care, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle, or requiring the person to submit to electronic monitoring, or, in the case of an order issued under RCW 26.44.063, imposing any other restrictions or conditions upon the person;
- (b) An extreme risk protection order has been issued against the person under chapter 7.105 RCW or former RCW 7.94.040, the person has knowledge of the order, and the person has violated the terms of the order prohibiting the person from having in his or her custody or control, purchasing, possessing, accessing, or receiving a firearm or concealed pistol license;
- (c) A foreign protection order, as defined in RCW 26.52.010, or a Canadian domestic violence protection order, as defined in RCW 26.55.010, has been issued of which the person under restraint has knowledge and the person under restraint has violated a provision of

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the foreign protection order or the Canadian domestic violence protection order prohibiting the person under restraint from contacting or communicating with another person, or excluding the person under restraint from a residence, workplace, school, or day care, or prohibiting the person from knowingly coming within, or knowingly remaining within, a specified distance of a location, a protected party's person, or a protected party's vehicle, or a violation of any provision for which the foreign protection order or the Canadian domestic violence protection order specifically indicates that a violation will be a crime; or

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- The person is eighteen years or older and within the preceding four hours has assaulted a family or household member or intimate partner as defined in RCW 10.99.020 and the officer believes: (i) A felonious assault has occurred; (ii) an assault has occurred which has resulted in bodily injury to the victim, whether the injury is observable by the responding officer or not; or (iii) that any physical action has occurred which was intended to cause another person reasonably to fear imminent serious bodily injury or death. Bodily injury means physical pain, illness, or an impairment of physical condition. When the officer has probable cause to believe that family or household members or intimate partners have assaulted each other, the officer is not required to arrest both persons. The officer shall arrest the person whom the officer believes to be the primary ((physical)) aggressor. In making this determination, the officer shall make every reasonable effort to consider: (A) The intent to protect victims of domestic violence under RCW 10.99.010; (B) the comparative extent of injuries inflicted or serious threats creating fear of physical injury; ((and)) (C) the history of domestic violence of each person involved, including whether the conduct was part of an ongoing pattern of abuse; and (D) the presence of evidence indicating intimate terrorism as defined in RCW 10.99.020.
- (3) A police officer is not required to keep in custody a person under subsection (2) of this section if the person requires immediate medical attention and is admitted to a hospital.
- (4) Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing a violation of any of the following traffic laws shall have the authority to arrest the person:
- (a) RCW 46.52.010, relating to duty on striking an unattended car or other property;

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- 1 (b) RCW 46.52.020, relating to duty in case of injury to, or death of, a person or damage to an attended vehicle;
- 3 (c) RCW 46.61.500 or 46.61.530, relating to reckless driving or 4 racing of vehicles;
- 5 (d) RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504, relating to persons under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs;

- (e) RCW 46.61.503 or 46.25.110, relating to persons having alcohol or THC in their system;
- (f) RCW 46.20.342, relating to driving a motor vehicle while operator's license is suspended or revoked;
- 11 (g) RCW 46.61.5249, relating to operating a motor vehicle in a 12 negligent manner.
 - ((4)) (5) A law enforcement officer investigating at the scene of a motor vehicle accident may arrest the driver of a motor vehicle involved in the accident if the officer has probable cause to believe that the driver has committed, in connection with the accident, a violation of any traffic law or regulation.
 - (((5))) <u>(6)</u> (a) A law enforcement officer investigating at the scene of a motor vessel accident may arrest the operator of a motor vessel involved in the accident if the officer has probable cause to believe that the operator has committed, in connection with the accident, a criminal violation of chapter 79A.60 RCW.
 - (b) A law enforcement officer investigating at the scene of a motor vessel accident may issue a citation for an infraction to the operator of a motor vessel involved in the accident if the officer has probable cause to believe that the operator has committed, in connection with the accident, a violation of any boating safety law of chapter 79A.60 RCW.
 - $((\frac{(6)}{(6)}))$ Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing a violation of RCW 79A.60.040 shall have the authority to arrest the person.
 - (((7))) (8) An officer may act upon the request of a law enforcement officer, in whose presence a traffic infraction was committed, to stop, detain, arrest, or issue a notice of traffic infraction to the driver who is believed to have committed the infraction. The request by the witnessing officer shall give an officer the authority to take appropriate action under the laws of the state of Washington.

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 $((\frac{(8)}{(8)}))$ Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed or is committing any act of indecent exposure, as defined in RCW 9A.88.010, may arrest the person.

((+9)) (10) A police officer may arrest and take into custody, pending release on bail, personal recognizance, or court order, a person without a warrant when the officer has probable cause to believe that an antiharassment protection order has been issued of which the person has knowledge under chapter 7.105 RCW or former chapter 10.14 RCW and the person has violated the terms of that order.

(((10))) (11) Any police officer having probable cause to believe that a person has, within twenty-four hours of the alleged violation, committed a violation of RCW 9A.50.020 may arrest such person.

 $((\frac{(11)}{(11)}))$ <u>(12)</u> A police officer having probable cause to believe that a person illegally possesses or illegally has possessed a firearm or other dangerous weapon on private or public elementary or secondary school premises shall have the authority to arrest the person.

For purposes of this subsection, the term "firearm" has the meaning defined in RCW 9.41.010 and the term "dangerous weapon" has the meaning defined in RCW 9.41.250 and 9.41.280(1) (c) through (e).

 $((\frac{12}{12}))$ (13) A law enforcement officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed a violation under RCW 77.15.160(5) may issue a citation for an infraction to the person in connection with the violation.

(((13))) (14) A law enforcement officer having probable cause to believe that a person has committed a criminal violation under RCW 77.15.809 or 77.15.811 may arrest the person in connection with the violation.

(((14))) (15) Except as specifically provided in subsections (2), (((3), (4))) (4), (5), and (((7))) (8) of this section, nothing in this section extends or otherwise affects the powers of arrest prescribed in Title 46 RCW.

(((15))) (16) No police officer may be held criminally or civilly liable for making an arrest pursuant to subsection (2) or (((9))) (10) of this section if the police officer acts in good faith and without malice.

(((16))) <u>(17)</u>(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, a police officer shall arrest and keep in custody, until release by a judicial officer on bail, personal recognizance, or court order, a

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person without a warrant when the officer has probable cause to 1 believe that the person has violated RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504 or an 2 equivalent local ordinance and the police officer: (i) Has knowledge 3 that the person has a prior offense as defined in RCW 46.61.5055 4 within ten years; or (ii) has knowledge, based on a review of the 5 6 information available to the officer at the time of arrest, that the 7 person is charged with or is awaiting arraignment for an offense that would qualify as a prior offense as defined in RCW 46.61.5055 if it 8 were a conviction. 9

(b) A police officer is not required to keep in custody a person under (a) of this subsection if the person requires immediate medical attention and is admitted to a hospital.

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