

House Bill 302 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Franklin of the 160th, Smith of the 18th, Hitchens of the 161st, Miller of the 62nd, and Silcox of the 53rd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 16-5-94 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 restraining orders and protective orders, so as to provide for the issuance of a temporary or
3 permanent protective order by the court; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting
4 laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 16-5-94 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to restraining
8 orders and protective orders, is amended by revising subsection (d) as follows:

9 "(d) The court may grant a protective order on a temporary or permanent basis or approve
10 a consent agreement to bring about a cessation of conduct constituting stalking. Orders or
11 agreements may:

- 12 (1) Direct a party to refrain from such conduct;
13 (2) Order a party to refrain from harassing or interfering with the other;
14 (3) Award costs and attorney's fees to either party; and
15 (4) Order either or all parties to receive appropriate psychiatric or psychological services
16 as a further measure to prevent the recurrence of stalking."

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SECTION 2.

18 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.