

1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to petitions for injunction for  
3       protection against domestic violence containing  
4       allegations of marriage fraud; amending s. 741.30,  
5       F.S.; revising a petition for injunction for  
6       protection against domestic violence; requiring the  
7       clerk of court to electronically transmit certain  
8       documentation to the State Board of Immigration  
9       Enforcement within a specified time period under  
10      certain circumstances; requiring a representative of  
11      the State Board of Immigration Enforcement to initiate  
12      contact with a petitioner within a specified time  
13      period; providing an effective date.

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

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17       **Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section**  
18   **741.30, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (e) is added**  
19   **to subsection (8) of that section, to read:**

20       741.30 Domestic violence; injunction; powers and duties of  
21      court and clerk; petition; notice and hearing; temporary  
22      injunction; issuance of injunction; statewide verification  
23      system; enforcement; public records exemption.—

24       (3)

25       (b) The verified petition shall be in substantially the

following form:

PETITION FOR  
INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION  
AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

The undersigned petitioner ...(name)... declares under penalties of perjury that the following statements are true:

(a) Petitioner resides at: ...(address)...

(Petitioner may furnish address to the court in a separate confidential filing if, for safety reasons, the petitioner requires the location of the current residence to be confidential.)

(b) Respondent resides at: ...(last known address)...

(c) Respondent's last known place of employment: ...(name of business and address)...

(d) Physical description of respondent:.....

Race.....

Sex.....

Date of birth.....

Height.....

Weight.....

Eye color.....

Hair color.....

Distinguishing marks or scars.....

(e) Aliases of respondent:.....

(f) Respondent is the spouse or former spouse of the

petitioner or is any other person related by blood or marriage to the petitioner or is any other person who is or was residing within a single dwelling unit with the petitioner, as if a family, or is a person with whom the petitioner has a child in common, regardless of whether the petitioner and respondent are or were married or residing together, as if a family.

(g) The following describes any other cause of action currently pending between the petitioner and respondent:.....

The petitioner should also describe any previous or pending attempts by the petitioner to obtain an injunction for protection against domestic violence in this or any other circuit, and the results of that attempt:.....

Case numbers should be included if available.

(h) Petitioner is either a victim of domestic violence or has reasonable cause to believe he or she is in imminent danger of becoming a victim of domestic violence because respondent has: ...(mark all sections that apply and describe in the spaces below the incidents of violence or threats of violence, specifying when and where they occurred, including, but not limited to, locations such as a home, school, place of employment, or visitation exchange)...

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76       ....committed or threatened to commit domestic violence  
77       defined in s. 741.28, Florida Statutes, as any assault,  
78       aggravated assault, battery, aggravated battery, sexual assault,  
79       sexual battery, stalking, aggravated stalking, kidnapping, false  
80       imprisonment, or any criminal offense resulting in physical  
81       injury or death of one family or household member by another.  
82       With the exception of persons who are parents of a child in  
83       common, the family or household members must be currently  
84       residing or have in the past resided together in the same single  
85       dwelling unit.

86       ....previously threatened, harassed, stalked, or physically  
87       abused the petitioner.

88       ....attempted to harm the petitioner or family members or  
89       individuals closely associated with the petitioner.

90       ....threatened to conceal, kidnap, or harm the petitioner's  
91       child or children.

92       ....intentionally injured or killed a family pet.

93       ....used, or has threatened to use, against the petitioner  
94       any weapons such as guns or knives.

95       ....physically restrained the petitioner from leaving the  
96       home or calling law enforcement.

97       ....a criminal history involving violence or the threat of  
98       violence (if known).

99       ....another order of protection issued against him or her  
100       previously or from another jurisdiction (if known).

....destroyed personal property, including, but not limited to, telephones or other communication equipment, clothing, or other items belonging to the petitioner.

....engaged in a pattern of abusive, threatening, intimidating, or controlling behavior composed of a series of acts over a period of time, however short.

....engaged in any other behavior or conduct that leads the petitioner to have reasonable cause to believe he or she is in imminent danger of becoming a victim of domestic violence.

(i) Petitioner alleges the following additional specific facts: ...(mark appropriate sections)...

....A minor child or minor children reside with the petitioner whose names and ages are as follows:.....

....Petitioner needs the exclusive use and possession of the dwelling that the parties share.

....Petitioner is unable to obtain safe alternative housing because:.....

....Petitioner genuinely fears that respondent imminently will abuse, remove, or hide the minor child or children from petitioner because:.....

....Petitioner is a victim of marriage fraud by a person who is not a citizen of the United States and who, by deception,

126 induced petitioner to enter into a marriage for the primary  
127 purpose of evading state or federal law or obtaining benefits  
128 other than those inherent to marriage, and such marriage fraud  
129 has resulted in the following harm:.....

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131 (j) Petitioner genuinely fears imminent domestic violence  
132 by respondent.

133 (k) Petitioner seeks an injunction: ...(mark appropriate  
134 section or sections)...

135 ....Immediately restraining the respondent from committing  
136 any acts of domestic violence.

137 ....Restraining the respondent from committing any acts of  
138 domestic violence.

139 ....Awarding to the petitioner the temporary exclusive use  
140 and possession of the dwelling that the parties share or  
141 excluding the respondent from the residence of the petitioner.

142 ....Providing a temporary parenting plan, including a  
143 temporary time-sharing schedule, with regard to the minor child  
144 or children of the parties which might involve prohibiting or  
145 limiting time-sharing or requiring that it be supervised by a  
146 third party.

147 ....Designating that the exchange of the minor child or  
148 children of the parties must occur at a neutral safe exchange  
149 location as provided in s. 125.01(8) or a location authorized by  
150 a supervised visitation program as defined in s. 753.01 if

temporary time-sharing of the child is awarded to the respondent.

....Establishing temporary support for the minor child or children or the petitioner.

....Directing the respondent to participate in a batterers' intervention program.

....Providing any terms the court deems necessary for the protection of a victim of domestic violence, or any minor children of the victim, including any injunctions or directives to law enforcement agencies.

(8)

(e) Within 24 hours after the court issues an injunction for protection against domestic violence in which the petitioner alleged to be a victim of marriage fraud by a person who is not a citizen of the United States, as provided in paragraph (3) (b), the clerk of the court must electronically transmit a copy of the petition; temporary injunction, if any; and a certified copy of the order of injunction to State Board of Immigration Enforcement for investigation. A representative from the State Board of Immigration Enforcement must initiate contact with the petitioner within 30 days after receipt of the certified copy of the order of injunction.

**Section 2.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.