

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 274 Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY MARSICO, READSHAW, KNOWLES, KAUFFMAN, MILLARD, STEPHENS, WARD, JAMES, SAINATO, CORBIN, BOBACK, CALTAGIRONE, SCHLOSSBERG, BAKER, PHILLIPS-HILL, TOEPEL, LONGIETTI, D. MILLER, O'NEILL, ORTITAY, D. COSTA, DeLUCA, FREEMAN AND COX, JANUARY 31, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JANUARY 31, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania
 2 Consolidated Statutes, in protection from abuse, further
 3 providing for relief.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 6108(a) of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania
 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:
 8 § 6108. Relief.

9 (a) General rule.--The court may grant any protection order
 10 or approve any consent agreement to bring about a cessation of
 11 abuse of the plaintiff or minor children. The order or agreement
 12 may include:

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14 (9.1) Directing the defendant to refrain from committing
 15 an act in violation of 18 Pa.C.S. § 5511 (relating to cruelty
 16 to animals) against a dog or cat which belongs to or resides
 17 with the plaintiff.

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2 Section 2. The addition of 23 Pa.C.S. § 6108(a)(9.1) shall
3 apply to orders entered into on or after the effective date of
4 this section.

5 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.