

AN ACT relating to domestic violence.

***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

➔Section 1. KRS 403.720 is amended to read as follows:

As used in KRS 403.715 to 403.785:

- (1) "Domestic violence and abuse" means:
  - (a) Physical injury, serious physical injury, sexual abuse, assault, or the infliction of fear of imminent physical injury, serious physical injury, sexual abuse, or assault between family members or members of an unmarried couple; or
  - (b) ***Stalking of or engaging in a course of conduct which seriously alarms a family member or members of an unmarried couple;***
- (2) "Family member" means a spouse, including a former spouse, a grandparent, a parent, a child, a stepchild, or any other person living in the same household as a child if the child is the alleged victim;
- (3) "Global positioning monitoring system" means a system that electronically determines a person's location through global positioning satellite technology, radio frequency technology, or a combination thereof and reports the location of an individual through the use of a transmitter or similar device worn by that individual and that transmits latitude and longitude data to a monitoring entity. The term does not include any system that contains or operates global positioning system technology, or any other similar technology, that is implanted or otherwise invades or violates the individual's body; and
- (4) "Member of an unmarried couple" means each member of an unmarried couple which allegedly has a child in common, any children of that couple, or a member of an unmarried couple who are living together or have formerly lived together.

➔Section 2. KRS 525.080 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) A person is guilty of harassing communications when, with intent to intimidate, harass, annoy, or alarm another person, he or she:

- (a) Communicates with a person, anonymously or otherwise, by telephone, telegraph, mail, or any other form of *electronic or* written communication in a manner which causes annoyance or alarm and serves no purpose of legitimate communication;
  - (b) Makes a telephone call, whether or not conversation ensues, with no purpose of legitimate communication; or
  - (c) Communicates, while enrolled as a student in a local school district, with or about another school student, anonymously or otherwise, by telephone, the Internet, telegraph, mail, or any other form of electronic or written communication in a manner which a reasonable person under the circumstances should know would cause the other student to suffer fear of physical harm, intimidation, humiliation, or embarrassment and which serves no purpose of legitimate communication.
- (2) Harassing communications is a Class B misdemeanor.