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Bill Summary =

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Overview

This bill creates enhanced penalties for violations of no contact orders that occur within five years of a previous conviction for a qualified domestic violence related offense. In addition, a violation of a no contact order may be used to enhance sentences for other crimes, such as a violation of an OFP, violation of a restraining order, assault in the fifth degree, criminal harassment, and domestic assault.

Section

- **Domestic abuse no contact order.** Adds a gross misdemeanor penalty for violation of a domestic abuse no contact order. This penalty applies to violations of no contact orders that occur within five years of a previous conviction for a "qualified domestic violence related offense."
- [Effective date: August 1, 2006, and applies to crimes committed on or after that date.]

 Qualified domestic violence-related offense. Expands the definition of a "qualified domestic violence-related offense" to include violations of domestic abuse no contact orders.

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