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Overview

This act specifies that a juvenile petty offense does not include a misdemeanor violation of an order for protection under the Domestic Abuse Act or a misdemeanor violation of a harassment restraining order. Also specifies that a juvenile petty offense does not include a misdemeanor violation of the interference with privacy crime on obscene or harassing telephone laws crime. Allows the court to place a juvenile on probation for a longer period of time than specified under current law in the case of a juvenile alcohol or controlled substance offense.

- 1 **Juvenile petty offender; juvenile petty offense.** Adds to the list of misdemeanor offenses that are not petty offenses the violation of an order for protection under the Domestic Abuse Act, and violation of a harassment restraining order. Also adds interference with privacy and obscene or harassing telephone calls violations. Misdemeanor offenses are classified as "juvenile petty offenses" unless specifically excepted from coverage.
- 2 **Dispositions.** Extends a court's authority to place a juvenile on probation for a longer time in the case of a juvenile alcohol or controlled substance offense. Ordinarily, the court may place a child on probation for up to six months. This provision allows the court to place the juvenile on probation for a length of time determined by the court.
- 3 **Effective date.** Sections 1 and 2 are effective August 1, 2001, and apply to crimes committed on or after that date.