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AN ACT

To amend chapter 455, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to electronic monitoring of persons who have been charged with or found guilty of violating protection orders, with an effective date.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 455, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new 2 section, to be known as section 455.095, to read as follows:

455.095. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

- (1) "Electronic monitoring with victim notification", an electronic monitoring system that has the capability to track and monitor the movement of a person and send an alert to a protected person and the appropriate law enforcement agency whenever the monitored person is within a certain distance of the protected premises as specified in the order by the court;
- 9 (2) "Informed consent", the protected person is given the 10 following information before consenting to participate in electronic 11 monitoring with victim notification:
- 12 (a) The protected person's right to refuse to participate in the 13 program and the process for requesting the court to terminate his or 14 her participation after it has been ordered;
- 15 **(b)** The manner in which the electronic monitoring technology 16 functions and the risks and limitations of that technology;
- 17 (c) The boundaries imposed on the person being monitored 18 during the electronic monitoring;
- 19 (d) The sanctions that the court may impose for violations of the 20 order issued by the court;

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21 (e) The procedure that the protected person is to follow if the 22monitored person violates an order or if the electronic monitoring 23 equipment fails;

- (f) Identification of support services available to assist the protected person in developing a safety plan to use if the monitored person violates an order or if the electronic monitoring equipment fails;
- (g) Identification of community services available to assist the protected person in obtaining shelter, counseling, education, child care, legal representation, and other help in addressing the consequences and effects of domestic violence; and
- (h) The non-confidential nature of the protected person's communications with the court concerning electronic monitoring and the restrictions to be imposed upon the monitored person's movements.
- 2. When a person is found guilty of violating the terms and 36 conditions of an ex parte or full order of protection under sections 455.085 or 455.538, the court may, in addition to or in lieu of any other disposition:
- 39 (1) Sentence the person to electronic monitoring with victim 40 notification; or
 - (2) Place the person on probation and, as a condition of such probation, order electronic monitoring with victim notification.
 - 3. When a person charged with violating the terms and conditions of an ex parte or full order of protection under sections 455.085 or 455.538 is released from custody before trial pursuant to section 544.455, the court may, as a condition of release, order electronic monitoring of the person with victim notification.
 - 4. Electronic monitoring with victim notification shall be ordered only with the protected person's informed consent. In determining whether to place a person on electronic monitoring with victim notification, the court may hold a hearing to consider the likelihood that the person's participation in electronic monitoring will deter the person from injuring the protected person. The court shall consider the following factors:
- (1) The gravity and seriousness of harm that the person inflicted 55 on the protected person in the commission of any act of domestic 56 57 violence;

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- 58 (2) The person's previous history of domestic violence;
- 59 (3) The person's history of other criminal acts, if any;
- 60 (4) Whether the person has access to a weapon;
- 61 (5) Whether the person has threatened suicide or homicide;
- 62 (6) Whether the person has a history of mental illness or has 63 been civilly committed; and
- 64 (7) Whether the person has a history of alcohol or substance 65 abuse.
- 5. A person ordered by the court to be placed on electronic monitoring with victim notification shall be ordered to pay the related costs and expenses.
- 69 6. An alert from an electronic monitoring device shall be 70 probable cause to arrest the monitored person for a violation of an ex 71 parte or full order of protection.
 - 7. The department of corrections, department of public safety, Missouri state highway patrol, the circuit courts, and county and municipal law enforcement agencies shall share information obtained via electronic monitoring conducted pursuant to this section.
 - 8. No supplier of a product, system, or service used for electronic monitoring with victim notification shall be liable, directly or indirectly, for damages arising from any injury or death associated with the use of the product, system or service unless, and only to the extent that, such action is based on a claim that the injury or death was proximately caused by a manufacturing defect in the product or system.
 - 9. Nothing in this section shall be construed as limiting a court's ability to place a person on electronic monitoring without victim notification under sections 544.455 or 557.011.
 - 10. A person shall be found guilty of the offense of tampering with electronic monitoring equipment under section 575.205 if he or she commits the actions prohibited under such section with any equipment that a court orders the person to wear under this section.
 - 11. The provisions of this section shall expire on August 28, 2021.