

107TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. 410

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 8, 2002

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## AN ACT

To amend the Violence Against Women Act of 2000 by expanding the legal assistance for victims of violence grant program to include legal assistance for victims of dating violence.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS OF VIO-**  
 2 **LENCE.**

3 Section 1201 of the Violence Against Women Act of  
 4 2000 (42 U.S.C. 3796gg-6) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a), by inserting “dating vio-  
 6 lence,” after “domestic violence,”;

7 (2) in subsection (b)—

8 (A) by inserting before paragraph (1) the  
 9 following:

10 “(1) DATING VIOLENCE.—The term ‘dating vio-  
 11 lence’ means violence committed by a person—

12 “(A) who is or has been in a social rela-  
 13 tionship of a romantic or intimate nature with  
 14 the victim; and

15 “(B) where the existence of such a rela-  
 16 tionship shall be determined based on a consid-  
 17 eration of the following factors:

18 “(i) the length of the relationship;

19 “(ii) the type of relationship; and

20 “(iii) the frequency of interaction be-  
 21 tween the persons involved in the relation-  
 22 ship.”;

23 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2),  
 24 and (3) as paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) respec-  
 25 tively; and

1 (C) in paragraph (3), as redesignated by  
 2 subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, by insert-  
 3 ing “dating violence,” after “domestic vio-  
 4 lence,”;

5 (3) in subsection (c)—

6 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting—

7 (i) “, dating violence,” after “domes-  
 8 tic violence”; and

9 (ii) “dating violence,” after “domestic  
 10 violence,”;

11 (B) in paragraph (2), by inserting “dating  
 12 violence,” after “domestic violence,”; and

13 (C) in paragraph (3), by inserting “dating  
 14 violence,” after “domestic violence,”;

15 (4) in subsection (d)—

16 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “, dat-  
 17 ing violence,” after “domestic violence”;

18 (B) in paragraph (2), by inserting “, dat-  
 19 ing violence,” after “domestic violence”;

20 (C) in paragraph (3), by inserting “, dat-  
 21 ing violence,” after “domestic violence”; and

22 (D) in paragraph (4), by inserting “dating  
 23 violence,” after “domestic violence,”;

24 (5) in subsection (e), by inserting “dating vio-  
 25 lence,” after “domestic violence,”; and

- 1           (6) in subsection (f)(2)(A), by inserting “dating  
2           violence,” after “domestic violence,”.

Passed the Senate May 7, 2002.

Attest:

JERI THOMSON,  
*Secretary.*