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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to violations of injunctions for protection; amending s. 784.047, F.S.; adding circumstances that violate an injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 784.047, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

784.047 Penalties for violating protective injunction against violators.--A person who willfully violates an injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence, issued pursuant to s. 784.046, or a foreign protection order accorded full faith and credit pursuant to s. 741.315 by:

- (1) Refusing to vacate the dwelling that the parties share;
- (2) Going to, or being within 500 feet of, the petitioner's residence, school, place of employment, or a specified place frequented regularly by the petitioner and any named family or household member;
- (3) Committing an act of repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence against the petitioner;
- (4) Committing any other violation of the injunction through an intentional unlawful threat, word, or act to do violence to the petitioner; or

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	(5)	Telephoning,	contact	ing, or	otherwise	communica	ating
with the petitioner directly or indirectly, unless the							
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- (6) Knowingly and intentionally coming within 100 feet of the petitioner's motor vehicle, whether or not that vehicle is occupied;
- (7) Defacing or destroying the petitioner's personal property, including the petitioner's motor vehicle; or
- (8) Refusing to surrender firearms or ammunition if ordered to do so by the court,

commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.