HOUSE BILL NO. HB0127

Domestic violence protection orders-affirmative defense.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Styvar, Brady, Filer, Singh and Webb and Senator(s) Nethercott

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to domestic violence protection; providing
- 2 a conforming affirmative defense to a charge of a violation
- 3 of a domestic violence protection order; making conforming
- 4 amendments; and providing for an effective date.

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6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

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- 8 **Section 1.** W.S. 35-21-105(g) and by creating a new
- 9 subsection (k) is amended to read:

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- 11 35-21-105. Order of protection; contents; remedies;
- 12 order not to affect title to property; conditions.

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- 14 (g) Except as provided in subsection (k) of this
- 15 section, no act of the petitioner or the respondent may be

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1 construed to waive or nullify any provision of an order of

2 protection.

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4 (k) A request by the victim for the perpetrator to

5 violate an order of protection issued under this section or

6 a temporary order of protection issued under W.S. 35-21-104

7 shall constitute an affirmative defense to a charge of

8 violation of the order by the perpetrator.

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10 Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2025.

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12 (END)