

**One Hundred Eighth Legislature - Second Session - 2024**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB1098**

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**Chairperson: Senator Justin Wayne**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Date of Hearing: February 08, 2024**

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB1098 aims to try to clean up, consolidate, and streamline existing statutes pertaining to domestic abuse, sexual assault, and harassment protection orders by consolidating them under single act, the Protection Orders Act. The bill would also (a) enable a protection order issued under this act to be issued for an initial period of at least one year and no more than two years, set at the court's discretion based upon the evidence presented, and (b) provide that an existing harassment protection order can be renewed.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Senator Barry DeKay**