

107TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

S. 410

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 8, 2002

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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

