

SENATE FILE NO. SF0031

Domestic violence counseling period.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Hastert, Anderson, J. and Perkins
and Representative(s) Berger, McOmie, Warren
and White

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to domestic violence; amending the time
2 period a respondent in a domestic violence incident may be
3 required to participate in counseling or other appropriate
4 treatment; 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(a)(vii) is amended to read:

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10 **35-21-105. Order of protection; contents; remedies;**
11 **order not to affect title to property; conditions.**

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13 (a) Upon finding that an act of domestic abuse has
14 occurred, the court shall enter an order of protection
15 ordering the respondent household member to refrain from
16 abusing the petitioner or any other household member. The

1 order shall specifically describe the behavior that the
2 court has ordered the respondent to do or refrain from
3 doing. As a part of any order of protection, the court may:

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5 (vii) If, after a hearing, it finds by a
6 preponderance of evidence that an act of domestic abuse has
7 occurred or that there exists a danger of further domestic
8 abuse, require the respondent to ~~undergo appropriate~~
9 participate in counseling or other appropriate treatment
10 for a specified period of time not to exceed ~~ninety (90)~~
11 ~~days~~ the term of the order of protection and any extension
12 of the order of protection granted under W.S. 35-21-106(b).

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14 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2008.

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