

**HOUSE BILL NO. 454**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

**BY REPRESENTATIVES BERKOWITZ, Gara, Anderson**

**Introduced: 2/16/04**  
**Referred: Judiciary**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act increasing the duration of certain provisions of domestic violence protective**  
2 **orders from six months to one year."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 **\* Section 1.** AS 18.66.100(b) is amended to read:

5 (b) When a petition for a protective order is filed, the court shall schedule a  
6 hearing and provide at least 10 days' notice to the respondent of the hearing and of the  
7 respondent's right to appear and be heard, either in person or by an attorney. If the  
8 court finds by a preponderance of evidence that the respondent has committed a crime  
9 involving domestic violence against the petitioner, regardless of whether the  
10 respondent appears at the hearing, the court may order any relief available under (c) of  
11 this section. The provisions of a protective order issued under

12 (1) (c)(1) of this section are effective until further order of the court;

13 (2) (c)(2) - (16) of this section are effective for **one year** [SIX  
14 MONTHS] unless earlier dissolved by court order.