

~~[(3)]~~ (4) A rebuttable presumption exists that any defendant described in paragraph ~~[(1)]~~ (2) of this subsection will flee and pose a danger to another person or the community.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997.

Approved May 8, 1997.

CHAPTER 307

(Senate Bill 158)

AN ACT concerning

Family Law – Protective Orders

FOR the purpose of requiring that a respondent in a proceeding for relief from abuse be served a copy of a protective order in open court or by first class mail; specifying that certain persons be served by first class mail to the person's last known address under certain circumstances; repealing a provision of law that requires a copy of a protective order to be served on a respondent by certain law enforcement personnel; providing that, under certain circumstances, service constitutes actual notice to the respondent of the contents of the protective order; establishing that service is complete upon mailing; modifying a certain provision of law to extend the duration of protective orders; establishing that a subsequent circuit court order pertaining to any of the provisions included in the protective order shall supersede those provisions in the protective order; authorizing the court that issued a protective order to extend the term of the protective order for a certain period of time; requiring a temporary ex parte order to include a certain notice to the respondent; defining a certain term; and generally relating to protective orders.

BY renumbering

Article – Family Law
Section 4-501(j) and (k), respectively
to be Section 4-501(k) and (l), respectively
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1991 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Family Law
Section 4-501(j)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1991 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law