



**House Bill No. 5311**

**Public Act No. 26-32**

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE NONISSUANCE OF A STANDING  
CRIMINAL PROTECTIVE ORDER IN THE CASE OF A FAMILY  
VIOLENCE CRIME.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 53a-40e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2026*):

(a) If any person is convicted of, or found not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect of, (1) a violation of section 53a-70b of the general statutes, revision of 1958, revised to January 1, 2019, or subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of section 53-21, section 53a-59, 53a-59a, 53a-60, 53a-60a, 53a-60b, 53a-60c, 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-70c, 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b, 53a-73a, 53a-181c, 53a-181d, 53a-181e, 53a-182b or 53a-183, subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 53a-192a, section 53a-223, 53a-223a or 53a-223b or attempt or conspiracy to violate any of said sections or section 53a-54a, or (2) any crime that the court determines constitutes a family violence crime, as defined in section 46b-38a, or attempt or conspiracy to commit any such crime, the court may, in addition to imposing the sentence authorized for the crime under section 53a-35a or 53a-36, if the court is of the opinion that the history and character and the nature and circumstances of the criminal conduct

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of such offender indicate that a standing criminal protective order will best serve the interest of the victim and the public, issue a standing criminal protective order which shall remain in effect for a duration specified by the court until modified or revoked by the court for good cause shown. If any person is convicted of, or found not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect of, any crime not specified in subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection, the court may, for good cause shown, issue a standing criminal protective order pursuant to this subsection. In any case that the court does not issue a standing criminal protective order against a person convicted of, or found not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect of a crime specified in subdivision (2) of this subsection, the court shall state on the record its reasons for not issuing such order.

Governor's Action:  
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