

## **SENATE BILL SUMMARY**

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SB 174

Domestic, Repeat, Sexual and Dating Violence  
by Senator Joyner

Provides that a court may, in addition to issuing an injunction for protection, order a respondent to wear a global positioning monitoring device if it appears to the court that the petitioner is the victim of domestic violence, repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence or has reasonable cause to believe that he or she is in imminent danger of becoming a victim of such violence. Provides that when determining whether to order a respondent to wear such a device the court consider the likelihood that the respondent's participation will deter the respondent from attempting to commit an act of domestic violence against the petitioner prior to trial.

Provides that the petitioner be furnished a telephone contact of the local law enforcement agency in order to request immediate assistance if the respondent is located within a determined proximity to the petitioner.

Permits the petitioner to terminate participation in the global positioning monitoring of the respondent at any time. Prohibits the court from imposing sanctions on the petitioner if he or she refuses to participate in or terminates the global position monitoring of the respondent.

Requires the respondent to pay the costs associated with operating the monitoring device.

Provides that a person commits a misdemeanor of the first degree if he or she removes a global positioning monitoring device without the written permission of the court. (See bill for details)