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HB 257

"An Act relating to publication of protective orders."

18 U.S.C. 2265(d)(3) reads, "Limits on Internet publication of registration information. A State, Indian tribe, or territory shall not make available publicly on the Internet any information regarding the registration, filing of a petition for, or issuance of a protection order, restraining order or injunction, restraining order, or injunction, in either the issuing or enforcing State, tribal or territorial jurisdiction, if such publication would be likely to publicly reveal the identity or location of the party protected under such order. A State, Indian tribe, or territory may share court-generated and law enforcement-generated information contained in secure, governmental registries for protection order enforcement purposes.

The change to AS 22.35 as proposed in this bill is to comply with 18 U.S.C. 2265 (d)(3), as it prohibits publication of any protective order "if the publication would likely reveal the identity or location of the party protected under such order".

Protective orders issued from another state are not placed on CourtView; however, Alaskans are not afforded the same protection. This legislation would insure that Alaska does not continue to victimize those who have protective orders.

Please join me in supporting HB 257 to protect the privacy of these victims.