

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY
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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

LS 6878
BILL NUMBER: HB 1286

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 29, 2026
BILL AMENDED: Jan 27, 2026

SUBJECT: Military Protective Order.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Lauer
FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill specifies that a party to a protective order proceeding has a duty to inform the court of any military protective orders issued by a military commander in effect between the parties. It allows the court to consider evidence of a military protective order in effect against a respondent for the protection of the petitioner and allows the court to grant an ex parte order for protection based upon this evidence. It also amends provisions concerning facially valid foreign protection orders to include certain protection orders issued by a Canadian court.

Effective Date: July 1, 2026.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *Enforcement of Protective Orders:* This bill is likely to increase the number of protection orders issued by Indiana courts and, therefore, the amount of calls for service to local law enforcement agencies related to enforcement of those orders. Any increase in workload is within the routine functions of each agency and should be able to be met within existing resources.

Courts: The provisions of this bill may either increase or decrease the workload for courts associated with a given case depending on the facts of the case. The net impact on courts is indeterminate.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Courts, law enforcement agencies.

Information Sources:

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