

# VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2003 SESSION

## CHAPTER 219

*An Act to amend and reenact §§ 16.1-253.2 and 18.2-60.4 of the Code of Virginia, relating to violation of protective orders.*

[S 834]

Approved March 16, 2003

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That §§ 16.1-253.2 and 18.2-60.4 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 16.1-253.2. Violation of provisions of protective orders; penalty.

In addition to any other penalty provided by law, any person who violates any provision of a protective order issued pursuant to §§ 16.1-253, 16.1-253.1, 16.1-253.4, 16.1-278.14, 16.1-279.1 or subsection B of § 20-103, which prohibits such person from going or remaining upon land, buildings or premises or from further acts of family abuse, or which prohibits contacts between the respondent and the respondent's family or household member as the court deems appropriate ~~shall be~~ is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. Upon conviction, the person shall be sentenced to a term of confinement and in no case shall the entire term imposed be suspended. *Upon conviction, the court shall, in addition to the sentence imposed, enter a protective order pursuant to § 16.1-279.1 for a specified period not exceeding two years from the date of conviction.*

§ 18.2-60.4. Violation of stalking protective orders; penalty.

Any person who violates any provision of a protective order issued pursuant to §§ 19.2-152.8, 19.2-152.9 or § 19.2-152.10 is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. Conviction hereunder shall bar a finding of contempt for the same act. *Upon conviction, the court shall, in addition to the sentence imposed, enter a protective order pursuant to § 19.2-152.10 for a specified period not exceeding two years from the date of conviction.*