

# SENATE BILL 980

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By: **Senator Kittleman**

Introduced and read first time: February 22, 2010

Assigned to: Rules

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Family Law – Protective Orders – Expungement**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to file a petition for expungement of a certain  
4 protective order under certain circumstances; requiring a court to grant a  
5 petition for expungement of a certain protective order under certain  
6 circumstances; and generally relating to the expungement of protective orders.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Family Law

9 Section 4–507.1

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article – Family Law**

15 **4–507.1.**

16 **A PERSON MAY FILE, AND A COURT SHALL GRANT, A PETITION FOR**  
17 **EXPUNGEMENT OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE IF:**

18 **(1) THE PROTECTIVE ORDER IS RESCINDED UNDER § 4–507 OF**  
19 **THIS SUBTITLE;**

20 **(2) THE PROTECTIVE ORDER IS VACATED; OR**

21 **(3) AT LEAST 3 YEARS HAVE ELAPSED SINCE THE EXPIRATION OF**  
22 **THE PROTECTIVE ORDER.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2   October 1, 2010.