

§6000. Definitions**(CONTAINS TEXT WITH VARYING EFFECTIVE DATES)**

As used in this subchapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings. [PL 2015, c. 293, §1 (NEW).]

1. (TEXT EFFECTIVE UNTIL 1/01/23) Domestic violence. "Domestic violence" means conduct described in Title 17-A, chapters 9, 11, 12 and 13; Title 17-A, sections 432, 433, 506, 506-A, 506-B, 758, 805, 806, 852 and 853; and Title 19-A, section 4002, subsection 1, when the victim of that conduct or threat is a family or household member, as defined in Title 19-A, section 4002, subsection 4 or dating partner, as defined in Title 19-A, section 4002, subsection 3-A. [PL 2015, c. 293, §1 (NEW).]

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2. Sexual assault. "Sexual assault" means any conduct described under Title 17-A, chapters 11, 12 and 35 and Title 17-A, sections 852 and 853. [PL 2015, c. 293, §1 (NEW).]

2-A. Sexual harassment. "Sexual harassment" means verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature directed at a specific person, including, but not limited to, unwelcome sexual advances; sexually suggestive remarks or actions; unwanted hugs, touches or kisses; and requests for sexual favors. "Sexual harassment" includes retaliation for communicating about or filing a complaint of sexual harassment. [RR 2019, c. 1, Pt. A, §13 (COR).]

3. Stalking. "Stalking" means any conduct described in Title 17-A, section 210-A. [PL 2015, c. 293, §1 (NEW).]

4. Victim. "Victim" means an individual who has been subject to domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking. [PL 2015, c. 293, §1 (NEW).]

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