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On page 2, after line 32, insert the following:

"(8) If the health care provider believes that the patient's injury could be the result of domestic violence, the hospital must alert a case manager, social worker, domestic violence advocate, or other patient advocate to coordinate with the law enforcement officer who responds to the report required by this section. The law enforcement officer and case manager, social worker, domestic violence advocate, or other patient advocate must determine whether there should be a delay in contact with the patient, suspect, or other witness to assist the patient in ensuring his or her safety or the safety of the patient's family."

EFFECT: In cases of suspected domestic violence, law enforcement must coordinate with the patient's case manager, social worker, domestic violence advocate, or other patient advocate to determine whether there should be a delay in contact and provide time for the patient to ensure his or her own safety or the safety of the patient's family.

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