

Fiscal Analysis

CHILD SUPPORT: ALLOW MOTION FROM RELIEF



Bill/Sponsor

HOUSE BILL 4120 as introduced, Rep. James Koetje
HOUSE BILL 4650 as introduced, Rep. James Koetje

House Committee

Judiciary

Analysis**Summary**

House Bill 4120 would amend the Support and Parenting Time Enforcement Act to allow a man to file a motion for relief from a court order that stated that he was a child's father or that required him to pay child support. With certain exceptions, the court would be required to vacate an order stating that a man was a child's father or to terminate a child support order, if the court found both that the man was not the child's adoptive father and that genetic testing results admitted into evidence excluded the man as the child's biological father.

House Bill 4650 would amend the Support and Parenting Time Enforcement Act to permit the cancellation of child support arrearage under certain circumstances.

Fiscal Impact

These bills could increase administrative costs for state and local courts in processing motions for relief. The magnitude of any such impact is indeterminate.

The bills would have no significant fiscal impact on the Family Independence Agency, the state agency charged with child support enforcement.

There would be a modest, but indeterminate, decrease in local Friend of the Court revenue to the extent that child support caseloads were reduced under the bills' provisions.

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