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## **HOUSE BILL No. 4566**

April 5, 2007, Introduced by Reps. Stakoe, LaJoy, Stahl, Sheen and Caul and referred to the Committee on Families and Children's Services.

A bill to amend 1982 PA 295, entitled

"Support and parenting time enforcement act,"

by amending section 3 (MCL 552.603), as amended by 2002 PA 572, and by adding section 20.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 3. (1) A support order issued by a court of this state
  shall be enforced as provided in this act.
- 3 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a support
- 4 order that is part of a judgment or is an order in a domestic
- 5 relations matter is a judgment on and after the date the support
- 6 amount is due as prescribed in section 5c, with the full force,
  - effect, and attributes of a judgment of this state, and is not, on
  - and after the date it is due, subject to retroactive modification.
  - Retroactive modification of a support payment due under a support
  - order is permissible with respect to a period during which there is

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- 1 pending a petition for modification, but only from the date that
- 2 notice of the petition was given to the payer or recipient of
- 3 support.
- 4 (3) This section does not apply to an exparte interim support
- 5 order or a temporary support order entered under supreme court
- 6 rule.
- 7 (4) The office of the friend of the court shall make available
- 8 to a payer or payee the forms and instructions described in section
- 9 5 of the friend of the court act, MCL 552.505.
- 10 (5) This section does not prohibit DO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 11 (A) PROHIBIT a court approved agreement between the parties to
- 12 retroactively modify a support order. This section does not limit
- 13 (B) PROHIBIT THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER UNDER SECTION 20.
- 14 (C) LIMIT other enforcement remedies available under this or
- 15 another act.
- 16 (6) Every support order that is part of a judgment issued by a
- 17 court of this state or that is an order in a domestic relations
- 18 matter shall include all of the following:
- 19 (a) Substantially the following statement: "Except as
- 20 otherwise provided in section 3 of the support and parenting time
- 21 enforcement act, 1982 PA 295, MCL 552.603, a support order that is
- 22 part of a judgment or that is an order in a domestic relations
- 23 matter as defined in section 2 of the friend of the court act, 1982
- 24 PA 294, MCL 552.502, is a judgment on and after the date each
- 25 support payment is due, with the full force, effect, and attributes
- 26 of a judgment of this state, and is not, on and after the date it
- 27 is due, subject to retroactive modification. A surcharge will be

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- 1 added to support amounts that are past due as provided in section
- 2 3a of the support and parenting time enforcement act, 1982 PA 295,
- **3** MCL 552.603a.".
- 4 (b) Notice informing the payer of the imposition of liens by
- 5 operation of law and that the payer's real and personal property
- 6 can be encumbered or seized if an arrearage accrues in an amount
- 7 greater than the amount of periodic support payments payable under
- 8 the payer's support order for the time period specified in the
- 9 support and parenting time enforcement act, 1982 PA 295, MCL
- **10** 552.601 to 552.650.
- 11 (7) Each support order that is an order in a friend of the
- 12 court case shall include all of the following:
- 13 (a) A requirement that, within 21 days after the payer or
- 14 payee changes his or her residential or mailing address, that
- 15 individual report the new address and his or her telephone number
- 16 in writing to the friend of the court.
- 17 (b) A requirement that both the payer and payee notify the
- 18 office of the friend of the court if he or she holds an
- 19 occupational license and if he or she holds a driver's license.
- 20 (c) The name, address, and telephone number of the payer's and
- 21 payee's current sources of income.
- (d) A requirement that both the payer and payee inform the
- 23 office of the friend of the court of his or her social security
- 24 number and driver's license number. The requirement of this
- 25 subdivision to provide a social security number with the
- 26 information does not apply to a payer or payee who demonstrates he
- 27 or she is exempt under law from obtaining a social security number

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- 1 or to a payer or payee who for religious convictions is exempt
- 2 under law from disclosure of his or her social security number
- 3 under these circumstances. The court shall inform the payer and
- 4 payee of this possible exemption.
- 5 (e) Notice that an order for dependent health care coverage
- 6 takes effect immediately and will be sent to the parent's current
- 7 and subsequent employers and insurers if appropriate. The notice
- 8 shall inform the parent that he or she may contest the action by
- 9 requesting a review or hearing concerning availability of health
- 10 care coverage at a reasonable cost.
- 11 (8) A support order shall DOES not accrue interest.
- 12 SEC. 20. (1) ON MOTION OF A PAYER, THE COURT MAY ORDER A
- 13 RECIPIENT OF SUPPORT TO REPAY TO THE PAYER MONEY PAID UNDER A CHILD
- 14 SUPPORT ORDER ON EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING GROUNDS:
- 15 (A) FRAUD, MISREPRESENTATION, OR OTHER MISCONDUCT ON THE PART
- 16 OF THE RECIPIENT OF SUPPORT IN RELATION TO THE ENTRY OF THE SUPPORT
- 17 ORDER.
- 18 (B) THE USE OF THE MONEY BY THE RECIPIENT OF SUPPORT FOR A
- 19 PURPOSE OTHER THAN SUPPORT OF THE CHILD.
- 20 (2) A MOTION UNDER SUBSECTION (1) (A) SHALL BE FILED WITHIN 1
- 21 YEAR AFTER THE SUPPORT ORDER IS ENTERED. A MOTION UNDER SUBSECTION
- 22 (1) (B) SHALL BE FILED WITHIN 1 YEAR AFTER THE MISUSE OF THE MONEY.
- 23 (3) INSTEAD OF ORDERING THE REPAYMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT UNDER
- 24 THIS SECTION, THE COURT MAY ORDER THAT THE AMOUNT IMPROPERLY PAID
- 25 BE CREDITED AGAINST FUTURE SUPPORT PAYMENTS FOR THE CHILD.