

1 AN ACT

2 relating to an administrative review process for child support
3 payments.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 234, Family Code, is
6 amended by adding Section 234.0091 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 234.0091. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OF CHILD SUPPORT
8 PAYMENT RECORD. (a) On request, the state disbursement unit shall
9 provide to an obligor or obligee a copy of the record of child
10 support payments maintained by the unit. The record must include
11 the amounts and dates of all payments received from or on behalf of
12 the obligor and disbursed to the obligee.

13 (b) An obligor or obligee may request that the Title IV-D
14 agency investigate an alleged discrepancy between the child support
15 payment record provided by the state disbursement unit under
16 Subsection (a) and the payment records maintained by the obligor or
17 obligee. The obligor or obligee making the request must provide to
18 the Title IV-D agency documentation of the alleged discrepancy,
19 including a canceled check or other evidence of a payment or
20 disbursement at issue.

21 (c) The Title IV-D agency shall respond to a request under
22 Subsection (b) not later than the 20th day after the date the agency
23 receives the request. If, after an investigation, the agency
24 determines that the child support payment record maintained by the

1 state disbursement unit should be amended, the state disbursement
2 unit shall immediately make the required amendment to the record
3 and notify the obligor or obligee who made the request under
4 Subsection (b) of that amendment.

5 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
6 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
7 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
8 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
9 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

David Swihurst

President of the Senate

Jim Cusick

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1972 was passed by the House on April 25, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 146, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Robert Hiney

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1972 was passed by the Senate on May 28, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Patricia Shaw

Secretary of the Senate

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Rick Perry

Governor

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