
By: **Chairman, Judiciary Committee (Department - Human Resources)**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Child Support Enforcement Administration - State Case Registry -**
3 **Establishment**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Child Support Enforcement Administration of the
5 Department of Human Resources to establish a State Case Registry containing
6 records for each child support order established or modified on or after a certain
7 date; requiring the State Case Registry to include standardized data elements
8 and case status for certain cases and support orders; specifying the standardized
9 data elements; requiring the case record for certain cases to include certain
10 information; requiring certain case records to be updated and monitored on the
11 basis of certain information; requiring circuit court clerks to request, record, and
12 transmit to the State Case Registry identifying information on all persons
13 involved in support orders established or modified on or after a certain date;
14 defining certain terms; and generally relating to the establishment and
15 maintenance of a State Case Registry for child support information.

16 BY adding to
17 Article - Family Law
18 Section 12-105.1
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

21 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
22 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

23 **Article - Family Law**

24 12-105.1.

25 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
26 INDICATED.

27 (2) "ADMINISTRATION" MEANS THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT
28 ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES.

1 (3) "ADMINISTRATION CASE" MEANS A CASE IN WHICH CHILD SUPPORT
2 SERVICES ARE BEING PROVIDED BY THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATE PLAN
3 UNDER TITLE IV, PART D, OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.

4 (B) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ESTABLISH A STATE CASE REGISTRY
5 CONTAINING RECORDS FOR EACH ADMINISTRATION CASE AND EACH CHILD
6 SUPPORT ORDER ESTABLISHED OR MODIFIED ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 1998.

7 (C) (1) THE STATE CASE REGISTRY SHALL INCLUDE STANDARDIZED DATA
8 ELEMENTS FOR EACH CUSTODIAL PARENT, NONCUSTODIAL PARENT, AND CHILD
9 ASSOCIATED WITH AN ADMINISTRATION CASE OR A SUPPORT ORDER ISSUED BY THE
10 COURTS.

11 (2) FOR EACH CUSTODIAL PARENT, NONCUSTODIAL PARENT, AND
12 CHILD, THE STANDARDIZED DATA ELEMENTS SHALL CONSIST OF:

13 (I) NAME;

14 (II) SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OR OTHER UNIFORM
15 IDENTIFICATION NUMBER;

16 (III) THE LAST KNOWN RESIDENCE OR MAILING ADDRESS;

17 (IV) DATE OF BIRTH;

18 (V) CASE IDENTIFIER; AND

19 (VI) ANY OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE UNITED STATES
20 SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

21 (D) IN ADDITION TO THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (C)
22 OF THIS SECTION, THE CASE RECORD FOR EACH ADMINISTRATION CASE IN THE
23 STATE CASE REGISTRY SHALL ALSO CONSIST OF:

24 (1) THE AMOUNT OF MONTHLY SUPPORT OR PERIODIC SUPPORT OWED,
25 AND OTHER AMOUNTS DUE;

26 (2) ANY AMOUNTS COLLECTED;

27 (3) THE DISTRIBUTION OF COLLECTED AMOUNTS; AND

28 (4) THE AMOUNT OF ANY LIEN IMPOSED.

29 (E) ADMINISTRATION CASE RECORDS SHALL BE UPDATED AND MONITORED
30 WITH RESPECT TO:

31 (1) ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS;

32 (2) ADMINISTRATIVE AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS;

33 (3) ORDERS RELATING TO PATERNITY AND SUPPORT;

1 (4) INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM COMPARISON WITH FEDERAL,
2 STATE, OR LOCAL SOURCES;

3 (5) SUPPORT COLLECTIONS AND DISTRIBUTIONS; AND

4 (6) ANY OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION.

5 (F) THE CLERK OF EACH CIRCUIT COURT SHALL:

6 (1) OBTAIN THE STANDARDIZED DATA ELEMENTS IN ACCORDANCE
7 WITH SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION; AND

8 (2) TRANSMIT THE STANDARDIZED DATA ELEMENTS IN AN ELECTRONIC
9 FORMAT TO THE ADMINISTRATION FOR INCLUSION INTO THE STATE CASE REGISTRY.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
11 effect July 1, 2001.