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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1490
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 9, after “support;” insert “requiring the Family Investment Program to determine that there is good cause for noncooperation with child support using certain criteria;”; in the same line, strike “Enforcement Agency” and substitute “Administration”; and in line 14, strike “5–101(c)” and substitute “5–101(c) and (e), 5–301(c).”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 5, insert:

“(e) “Local department” means:

(1) a local department of social services created or continued in a county under § 3–201 of this article; or

(2) in Montgomery County, the Montgomery County government.

5–301.

(c) “FIP” means the Family Investment Program.”.

On page 3, in line 18, after “(1)” insert “**IN THIS SUBSECTION, “GOOD CAUSE” MEANS THAT CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST IN WHICH COOPERATION WITH CHILD SUPPORT MAY BE AGAINST THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CHILD.**”.

(2) (1) THE FIP SHALL DETERMINE THAT AN INDIVIDUAL HAS GOOD CAUSE FOR NONCOOPERATION WITH CHILD SUPPORT IF CIRCUMSTANCES

EXIST IN WHICH COOPERATION BY THE INDIVIDUAL WITH CHILD SUPPORT MAY BE AGAINST THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CHILD.

(II)”;

in the same line, strike “DEPARTMENT” and substitute “FIP”; in line 22, strike “(2)” and substitute “(3)”; and in line 31, after “CONSIDERATION;” insert “OR”.

On page 4, in line 1, strike “THE” and substitute “A”; in line 2, strike “OR OTHER RELATIVES”; strike beginning with “; OR” in line 3 down through “INTEREST” in line 5; in lines 6, 11, and 23, strike “(3)”, “(4)”, and “(5)”, respectively, and substitute “(4)”, “(5)”, and “(6)”, respectively; in line 6, strike “DEPARTMENT” and substitute “FIP”; in line 8, strike the second “THE” and substitute “A FIP WORKER AT A”; in line 9, strike “DEPARTMENT” and substitute “DEPARTMENT”; in line 15, after “AN” insert “INDIVIDUAL MAY PROVIDE AN”; strike beginning with “BY” in line 15 down through “SUFFICIENT” in line 16; in line 17, after “(IV)” insert “IF AN INDIVIDUAL PROVIDES AN ORAL STATEMENT TO PROVE GOOD CAUSE, A FIP WORKER AT A LOCAL DEPARTMENT SHALL DOCUMENT THE ORAL STATEMENT.”

(V)”;

in line 17, strike “THE DEPARTMENT” and substitute “A FIP WORKER AT A LOCAL DEPARTMENT”; in line 18, after “STATEMENT” insert “OR DOCUMENTING AN ORAL STATEMENT”; in line 19, strike “SECRETARY” and substitute “DEPARTMENT”; in line 20, strike “(V)” and substitute “(VI)”; in the same line, strike “DEPARTMENT” and substitute “FIP”; strike beginning with “BEFORE” in line 23 down through “AGENCY” in line 24 and substitute “DURING THE APPLICATION AND CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR ASSISTANCE”; in line 24, strike “DEPARTMENT” and substitute “FIP”; and in lines 25 and 27, in each instance, strike “ADVISE” and substitute “NOTIFY”.

On page 5, in line 1, after “(III)” insert “NOTIFY ALL INDIVIDUALS THAT A FIP WORKER CAN PROVIDE THE INDIVIDUAL WITH ASSISTANCE IN REQUESTING GOOD CAUSE;”

(IV)”;

in the same line, strike “ADVICE” and substitute “NOTICE”; in line 5, after “INTERVIEW;” insert “AND”; in line 6, after “WRITTEN” insert “FIP”; strike beginning with “AND” in line 7 down through “NONCOMPLIANCE;” in line 9 and substitute:

“(V) PROVIDE AN INDIVIDUAL WITH ASSISTANCE IN REQUESTING GOOD CAUSE; AND”;

in line 10, strike “(IV)” and substitute “(VI)”; strike beginning with the semicolon in line 11 down through “REQUESTED” in line 13; in line 14, strike “DEPARTMENT” and substitute “FIP”; in line 15, after “IF” insert “THE CHILD SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION DETERMINES THAT”; strike beginning with “THE” in line 17 down through “INCLUDING” in line 19 and substitute “CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND THE CONTROL OF AN INDIVIDUAL THAT ARE ADEQUATE REASONS FOR NONCOOPERATION WITH CHILD SUPPORT INCLUDE”; and in line 21, strike “ENFORCEMENT AGENCY” and substitute “ADMINISTRATION”.

On page 6, in line 1, strike “ENFORCEMENT AGENCY” and substitute “ADMINISTRATION”.

On page 7, in line 26, strike “July” and substitute “October”.