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HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE

Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Subject: BUDGET & TAXIATION COMMITTEE - N00B

The Honorable [Recipient's Name]

[Recipient's Title]

[Recipient's Office]

[Recipient's Address]

[City, State, ZIP Code]

Subject: Support for Legislative Measures Addressing Child Support Arrearages and Fairness in Enforcement

Dear [Recipient's Name],

On behalf of Winning Strategies: Fatherhood, The Courts and Custody, and the citizens who support our guiding principles, we are writing to express our strong support for legislative measures aimed at reforming Maryland's child support enforcement system. Specifically, we urge the passage of House Bill 681 (Driver's License Suspension for Arrearages and Court Orders), House Bill 110 (Child Support - Suspension of Driver's Licenses), House Bill 218 (DHS' Child Support Enforcement Act), and House Bill 881 (Family Investment Program and SNAP Benefits). These bills are critical in ensuring that child support policies are fair, effective,

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and do not impose undue hardship on fathers who are actively working toward financial stability and parental responsibility.

A key issue that must be addressed is the accuracy of child support arrearages assigned to fathers. It is essential that enforcement agencies conduct thorough investigations to determine the actual amounts owed, ensuring that fathers are not burdened with erroneous or inflated arrearages. Additionally, we advocate for a legislative review of the current policy that limits mothers to receiving only two-thirds of the arrearages owed to them. The full amount of arrearages should be paid to the custodial parent, rather than a portion being redirected elsewhere. These adjustments will promote transparency, fairness, and confidence in the child support system. Given the urgency of these matters, we request that your committee work toward implementing these changes within the next nine months. Timely action is crucial in preventing further financial and personal hardships on parents and children alike. Reforming these policies will not only support fathers in meeting their obligations but also ensure that children receive the financial support they need without unnecessary bureaucratic obstacles. We appreciate your attention to these critical issues and look forward to your leadership in advancing these reforms. We would welcome the opportunity to discuss these concerns further and collaborate on solutions that benefit Maryland families. Please feel free to contact us at your earliest convenience to arrange a meeting.

Sincerely,
eric d. smith
Executive Director,
The Real Dadvocate
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Cyrus Tittle JR. <tittlesllc@gmail.com>
to me

Mon, Feb 17, 2:24 PM (1 day ago)

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I support House Bill 110 Stopping Drivers License - Child Support Suspension of Driver's License

I support House Bill 0681 Start investigating Child Support Driver's License for Arrearages and Court Orders

I support HB 0275 - Multifamily Adjustment

I support House Bill 881 Giving Mothers 100% of the money they are owed Family Investment Program and SNAP Benefits

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to me

Hello my name is Steven Vaughn I am a father of 4

I support HB 110 - Child Support Suspension of Driver's License

I support HB 0681 - Child Support Driver's License for Arrearages and Court Orders

I support HB 0275 - Multifamily Adjustment

I support HB 881 -Family Investment Program and SNAP Benefits

Sent from my iPhone

Thank you Steven Vaughn

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Sun, Feb 16, 10:56 AM (2 days ago)

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Our nonprofit wants to impact legislation for fatherhood fairness bills. The bills listed help to make fathers coparents and there is a bill that helps mothers get 100% of the child support they are owed. (Please share this with your friends and family)

We need the email by Monday night at 11:59pm.

Please send me an email stating-

I support HB 110 - Child Support Suspension of Driver's License

I support HB 0681 - Child Support Driver's License for Arrearages and Court Orders

I support HB 0275 - Multifamily Adjustment

I support HB 881 -Family Investment Program and SNAP Benefits

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