

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation compels the Department of Health and Welfare to initiate already established contempt proceedings against delinquent obligors under certain circumstances. This legislation also helps to ensure that the best interests of the child/children are being preserved in regard to modification of custody when an obligor has a large and outstanding amount of past due child support.

## FISCAL NOTE

There is no expected fiscal impact to the General Fund, nor to any other state or local budgets or agencies. This legislation simply prevents obligors with large past due child support amounts who are not ensuring the best interests of their children from being able to modify custody, and simply compels the Department of Health and Welfare to initiate already established processes. This legislation may also limit unnecessary civil litigation and use of valuable court time and resources.

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