

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1019

Short Title: Child Support Fees Change.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Dickson; and Bowman.

Referred to: Finance.

April 19, 1993

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO ADJUST THE CHILD SUPPORT FEES CHARGED NONRECIPIENTS
2 OF AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN FOR CHILD
3 SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT TO FOCUS ON THOSE MOST IN FINANCIAL
4 NEED.
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6 Whereas, the focus of the State's enforcement efforts should be those
7 custodial parents who lack the resources to pursue independent child support
8 establishment and enforcement; and

9 Whereas, regular child support payments to these parents can help supply the
10 basic needs for children whose needs often go unmet and can prevent families from
11 becoming part of the welfare system; and

12 Whereas, it is inappropriate for the taxpayers of North Carolina to fund an
13 across-the-board child support enforcement system for all custodial parents in this State;
14 and

15 Whereas, parents who can afford to seek private enforcement of their child
16 support orders should be encouraged to do so or be required to bear the cost of State
17 enforcement; Now, therefore,

18 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

19 Section 1. G.S. 110-130.1(a) reads as rewritten:

20 "(a) All child support collection and paternity determination services provided
21 under this Article to recipients of public assistance shall be made available to any
22 individual whose income is below an amount set by the Department and adjusted
23 annually for inflation who is not receiving public assistance in accordance with federal
24 law and as contractually authorized by the nonrecipient, upon proper application and

1 payment of a nonrefundable application fee of ~~ten dollars (\$10.00)~~ twenty-five dollars
2 (\$25.00). Any individual whose income is above an amount set by the Department and
3 adjusted annually for inflation who is not receiving public assistance in accordance with
4 federal law and as contractually authorized by the nonrecipient, upon proper application
5 and payment of a nonrefundable application fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) and of
6 additional fees for the particular child support enforcement services the individual
7 contracts for shall receive those services. The Department shall establish a standardized
8 fee schedule for these additional service-specific fees that will correlate these fees to the
9 Resource Management guidelines currently established by the Department and required
10 to be used by the local agencies."

11 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 1993, and applies to fees
12 required for child support enforcement applications and services on or after that date.