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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 12-2453, 12-2454, 12-2463, 12-2464, 25-320, 46-407, 46-408 AND 46-441, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING SECTION 12-2454.01, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 1994, CHAPTER 374, SECTION 12; REPEALING SECTION 12-2454.01, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 1995, CHAPTER 270, SECTION 8; BLENDING MULTIPLE ENACTMENTS; RELATING TO FAMILY RESPONSIBILITY.

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 12-2453, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 12-2453. Order for support; methods of payment; modification;  
5 revocation; statute of limitations; judgment on  
6 arrearages; notice

7 A. In any proceeding in which there is at issue the support of a  
8 child, the court may order either or both parents to pay any amount necessary  
9 for the support of the child. If a personal check for support payments and  
10 handling fees is rightfully dishonored by the payor bank or other drawee, any  
11 subsequent support payments and handling fees shall be paid only by cash,  
12 money order, cashier's check, traveler's check or certified check. If a  
13 person required to pay support other than by personal check demonstrates full  
14 and timely payment for twenty-four consecutive months, that person shall be  
15 permitted to pay support by personal check as long as such payments are for  
16 the full amount, are timely tendered and are not rightfully dishonored by the  
17 payor bank or other drawee. Upon a showing of good cause, the court may  
18 order that the parent or parents required to make such payments of support  
19 give reasonable security for such payments. If the court sets an appearance

1 bond and the obligor fails to appear, the bond shall be forfeited and  
2 credited against any arrearages owed by the person required to pay support.  
3 This subsection does not apply to payments that are made by means of a wage  
4 assignment.

5 B. If the court has ordered that support be paid directly to the  
6 custodial parent, the state may file a motion to redirect in a title IV-D  
7 case. On receipt of the motion, the clerk of the superior court shall order  
8 the person obligated to pay support or maintenance to make those payments  
9 ~~through the clerk~~ TO THE CLEARINGHOUSE. As used in this subsection, "title  
10 IV-D case" means a proceeding for support instituted by this state as  
11 required by 42 United States Code sections 651 through 669.

12 C. In a case where the court has ordered that support be paid directly  
13 to the custodial parent, if the payment is not received within ten days of  
14 the date in the court order for payment of support, the person receiving  
15 support may enforce the support order by all civil remedies provided by law.

16 D. Any order for child support may be modified or revoked upon a  
17 showing of changed circumstance which is substantial and continuing, except  
18 as to any amount that may have accrued as an arrearage prior to the date of  
19 the filing of the notice of the motion or order to show cause to modify or  
20 revoke. The order of modification or revocation may be made retroactive to  
21 the date of the filing of the notice of motion or order to show cause to  
22 modify or to revoke or to any date subsequent to such filing. The order of  
23 modification or revocation may include an award of attorney's fees and court  
24 costs to the prevailing party.

25 E. The right of a parent, guardian or custodian or the department of  
26 economic security to receive child support payments as provided in the court  
27 order vests as each installment falls due. Such an order is continuing from  
28 the date of entry and is not barred from enforcement except as provided in  
29 subsection F of this section. Each vested child support installment is  
30 enforceable as a final judgment by operation of law.

31 F. This state or any of those parties listed in subsection E of this  
32 section may file an action within three years after the emancipation of the  
33 youngest of all of the children who were the subject of the court order. In  
34 such a proceeding there is no bar to the establishment of a money judgment  
35 for all of the unpaid child support arrearages for the entire minority of the  
36 children. After such a judgment has been entered, it becomes subject to the  
37 limitations set out in section 12-1551, subsection B. Money judgments for  
38 child support arrearages established during the minority of the children are  
39 not barred or limited in enforcement and collection unless they are not  
40 renewed within ten years after the emancipation of all of the children who  
41 were the subject of the court order. In the case of a disputed emancipation  
42 event, this subsection shall be liberally construed to effect its intention  
43 of diminishing the limitation on the collection of child support arrearages.  
44 As used in this subsection, "emancipation" includes the termination of

1 disability in those cases in which court orders extend child support beyond  
2 the age of emancipation as allowed under section 12-2451, subsection A or  
3 section 25-320, subsection B.

4 G. If the state or person entitled to receive child support or spousal  
5 maintenance if the spousal maintenance is combined with a child support order  
6 has not received court ordered payments, the state or person may file with  
7 the clerk of the superior court an affidavit indicating the name of the  
8 person obligated to pay support and the amount of the arrearages. The state  
9 or person filing the affidavit shall provide notice to the person obligated  
10 to pay support by certified mail, return receipt requested, of the  
11 provisions of this section, including the person's right to request a hearing  
12 within twenty days, and that an affidavit of arrearages has been filed with  
13 the clerk of the superior court for purposes of obtaining a judgment against  
14 the person and shall attach a copy of the affidavit. The state or person  
15 shall provide the clerk with a notice of mailing stating that the notice  
16 required by this subsection was sent to the person obligated to pay support,  
17 the name of the person to whom the notice was sent, the date of mailing to  
18 the person and the date of receipt by the person and shall attach the copy  
19 of the return receipt. Within twenty days after receipt of the notice, the  
20 person alleged to be in arrears may request a hearing in the superior court  
21 if the arrearage amount or identity of the person is in dispute. The court  
22 shall hold the hearing within ten days after receiving the request. If the  
23 person alleged to be in arrears fails to request a hearing within ten days,  
24 or if the court finds that the objection is unfounded, the affidavit of  
25 arrearages has the same force and effect as a judgment of the superior court  
26 against the person obligated to pay support for the amount of arrearages  
27 indicated in the affidavit.

28 H. IF THE CLERK OR CLEARINGHOUSE IS UNABLE TO DELIVER PAYMENTS FOR A  
29 PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS DUE TO THE FAILURE OF THE PERSON TO WHOM THE SUPPORT  
30 HAS BEEN ORDERED TO BE PAID TO NOTIFY THE CLERK OR CLEARINGHOUSE OF A CHANGE  
31 IN ADDRESS, THE CLERK OR CLEARINGHOUSE SHALL RETURN THE PAYMENTS TO THE  
32 OBLIGOR.

33 Sec. 2. Section 12-2454, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:  
34 12-2454. Order for assignments; violation; classification

35 A. In any proceeding in which the court orders a person to pay support  
36 as defined in section 12-2451, the court shall assign to the person or agency  
37 entitled to receive the support that portion of the person's earnings,  
38 income, entitlements or other monies without regard to source as necessary  
39 to pay the amount ordered by the court. In title IV-D cases in which the  
40 title IV-D agency requests an order of assignment:

41 1. If the obligor's disposable earnings from the primary employer meet  
42 the support obligation, the court shall not issue an order for assignment to  
43 a secondary employer of the obligor.

1           2. If the obligor's disposable wages from the primary employer do not  
2 meet the support obligation, the court shall issue an order for assignment  
3 to a secondary employer of the obligor in order to meet the full support  
4 obligation.

5           B. If a person obligated to pay child support or spousal maintenance  
6 is in arrears, at the time of filing of a petition, for an amount equal to  
7 at least one month's child support or spousal maintenance, the court shall  
8 order an assignment of a portion of the person's earnings, income,  
9 entitlements or other monies without regard to source to the person or  
10 agency entitled to receive child support or spousal maintenance payments.  
11 The assignment shall include payment for current child support or current  
12 spousal maintenance and may include an installment payment for arrearages or  
13 any other support as defined in section 12-2451. An assignment ordered under  
14 this section does not apply to amounts made exempt under section 33-1131,  
15 subsection C or any other applicable exemption law, and any order of  
16 assignment is void to the extent it may purport to reach any such exempt  
17 amount, but only to that extent. If an obligor does not have periodic  
18 earnings, income or entitlements, the court shall order an assignment against  
19 any monies owed to the obligor or held for the benefit of the obligor. The  
20 order of assignment shall direct the holder of the monies to withhold and pay  
21 to the person or agency entitled to receive the child support the amount  
22 necessary to pay the amount ordered by the court.

23           C. In any spousal maintenance proceeding in which the court orders a  
24 person to pay spousal maintenance, the court for good cause may order an  
25 assignment of the person's earnings, income, entitlements or other monies  
26 without regard to sources as necessary to pay the amount ordered by the  
27 court.

28           D. On petition or request of this state or the person entitled to  
29 receive child support or spousal maintenance brought pursuant to subsection  
30 B of this section, the court shall issue an order to show cause or to appear  
31 to the person obligated to pay child support or spousal maintenance to appear  
32 before the court to show cause why an assignment of the earnings, income,  
33 entitlements or other monies of the person obligated should not be made. The  
34 petition or request and order to show cause or to appear shall be served on  
35 the person obligated.

36           E. An employer or other payor may answer and may appear at the hearing  
37 on the order to show cause or to appear, but shall not be required to do so.  
38 An employer or other payor shall not be required to pay any fee for  
39 appearance in any proceeding under this section. An order of assignment  
40 under this section shall by its terms expressly direct the withholding and  
41 payment of either a certain dollar amount out of, or a certain percentage of,  
42 earnings, income, entitlements or other monies and shall specify the period  
43 over which the assignment shall be effective. If contested, the petitioner  
44 or respondent at the hearing on the order to show cause or to appear is

1 entitled to receive court costs and reasonable attorney fees, except that the  
2 court may not impose any liability for court costs or attorney's fees against  
3 or order payment of court costs or attorney's fees to an employer or other  
4 payor or a public agency for such hearing.

5 F. The court may order an assignment for child support or spousal  
6 maintenance directly against any earnings, income, entitlements or other  
7 monies of the person obligated to pay child support or spousal maintenance  
8 without the signature of the person obligated to pay child support or spousal  
9 maintenance, which order shall constitute an assignment by operation of law  
10 of such amounts and of the additional amounts provided in subsection G of  
11 this section. The order of assignment shall include a statement that an  
12 employer shall not discharge or otherwise discipline an employee as a result  
13 of an assignment authorized by this section.

14 G. Actual notice of the assignment and a copy of this subsection and  
15 subsections E, F, H and O of this section shall be provided to the employer  
16 or other payor of monies. The assignment is binding on the employer or other  
17 payor of monies fourteen days after the employer or payor receives actual  
18 notice that the assignment has been made. The employer or other payor shall  
19 be deemed to have actual notice on the date of receiving the notice of the  
20 assignment by mail as authorized in this section or on any date of receiving  
21 actual notice, and the order is binding until further notice. The employer  
22 or other payor shall withhold the amount specified in the assignment from the  
23 earnings, income, entitlements or other monies payable to the person  
24 obligated to pay support and shall transmit such amount to the clerk of the  
25 superior court or support payment clearinghouse within ten days after the  
26 date the employee is paid. The employer may combine withheld monies for  
27 several employees in a single payment and separately identify the portion of  
28 the payment which is attributable to each employee. The employer or other  
29 payor may also withhold and retain for application to the employer's or  
30 payor's cost of compliance an additional one dollar per pay period or four  
31 dollars per month, whichever is greater. The employer or other payor shall  
32 notify the clerk or clearinghouse in writing when the person ordered to pay  
33 support or spousal maintenance is no longer employed by the employer or the  
34 right to receive other earnings, income, entitlements or monies has been  
35 terminated. The employer shall also notify the clerk or clearinghouse in  
36 writing of the former employee's last known address and the name and address  
37 of the former employee's new employer if known. If the employer reemploys  
38 the person ordered to pay support within ninety days of termination from  
39 employment, the employer is again bound by the order of assignment and is  
40 required to perform as required by this section. If a payor is again  
41 obligated to pay entitlements or monies to the person ordered to pay support  
42 within ninety days of termination of such right, the payor is again bound by  
43 the order for assignment and is required to perform pursuant to this section.

1           H. An order of assignment under this section shall be binding upon  
2 future employers and other future payors, as an assignment by operation of  
3 law, fourteen days after a ~~certified~~ copy of the assignment order is served  
4 on an employer or other payor as provided under the rules of civil procedure  
5 or by registered mail. Such employer or other payor shall have an  
6 opportunity for a hearing by order to show cause or request for hearing if  
7 desired. The filing of a petition for order to show cause or request for  
8 hearing by an employer or payor delays implementation of the order of  
9 assignment pending a hearing.

10           I. An assignment shall be ordered for the purpose of paying any, or  
11 a combination, of the following:

12           1. All or a portion of the arrearage of child support or spousal  
13 maintenance, or both.

14           2. All or a portion of the current child support or spousal  
15 maintenance, or both.

16           3. All or a portion of the current child support or spousal  
17 maintenance, or both, because of the past conduct of the person so obligated  
18 or because of the threatening conduct of the person so obligated.

19           4. All or a portion of any support as defined in section 12-2451.

20           J. The obligation for current child support must be fully met before  
21 any payments under the order entered pursuant to subsection I of this section  
22 may be applied to payment of arrearages.

23           K. An order for assignment may be modified by the court at any time  
24 upon a petition or request of either party and upon a hearing and showing of  
25 change in circumstances which is substantial and continuing.

26           L. Upon petition or request to the court and a hearing, the court may  
27 terminate the order of assignment for spousal maintenance if all arrearages  
28 have been satisfied and the court deems termination of the assignment order  
29 to be in the interest of justice.

30           M. Upon petition or request to the court and a hearing, the court may  
31 terminate the order of assignment if all obligations of support as defined  
32 in section 12-2451 have been satisfied, and the person obligated to pay child  
33 support is no longer obligated to pay the child support.

34           N. The person or agency to whom support has been ordered to be paid  
35 shall notify the clerk of the superior court or support payment clearinghouse  
36 of any address change within a reasonable period of time after such change.  
37 If the clerk or clearinghouse is unable to deliver payments under an  
38 assignment for a period of three months due to the failure of the person to  
39 whom the support has been ordered to be paid to notify the clerk or  
40 clearinghouse, the clerk or clearinghouse shall not make further payment  
41 under the assignment and shall return payments to ~~their source~~ THE OBLIGOR.  
42 Under such circumstances the court or clerk shall order the release of the  
43 employer or payor from the assignment upon request of the employer or payor,  
44 or clearinghouse, or on the clerk's own initiative. An assignment order from

1 which an employer or payor has been released may be reinstated by following  
2 the procedures for new assignments pursuant to this section.

3 O. Unless a court has ordered otherwise, the person ordered to pay  
4 child support or spousal maintenance shall notify the clerk or clearinghouse  
5 in writing of the addresses of ~~his~~ THE PERSON'S residence and employment and,  
6 within ten days, of a change in either one. Failure to do so may subject the  
7 person to sanctions for contempt of court, including reasonable attorney fees  
8 and costs.

9 P. An employer shall not refuse to hire a person or shall not  
10 discharge or otherwise discipline an employee as a result of a wage or salary  
11 assignment authorized by this section. An employer who refuses to hire a  
12 person or discharges or otherwise disciplines an employee as a result of the  
13 wage or salary assignment is subject to contempt and fines as established by  
14 the court. Any person wrongfully refused employment or employee wrongfully  
15 discharged or otherwise disciplined is entitled to recovery of damages  
16 suffered, plus reinstatement if appropriate, plus attorney's fees and costs  
17 incurred. An employer or other payor who fails without good cause to comply  
18 with the terms of the assignment may be liable for amounts not paid to the  
19 clerk or clearinghouse pursuant to the assignment order, reasonable attorney  
20 fees and costs incurred and may be subject to contempt.

21 Q. An assignment issued pursuant to this section has priority over all  
22 other attachments, executions, garnishments or assignments.

23 R. Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, the  
24 court may order an assignment of earnings, income, entitlements or other  
25 monies in any decree or order establishing support or maintenance, although  
26 the person owed support or maintenance has not complied with the provisions  
27 of this section or requested such assignment. The court shall order the  
28 assignment if the obligor requests.

29 S. If a person is obligated to pay child support for more than one  
30 family and the amount available for withholding is not sufficient to meet the  
31 total combined child support obligation, any monies withheld from the  
32 obligor's earnings, income, entitlements or other monies shall be allocated  
33 to each family by the employer or payor as follows:

34 1. The amount of current child support ordered in each case shall be  
35 added to obtain the total child support obligation.

36 2. The court ordered amount in each case shall be divided by the total  
37 child support obligation to obtain a percentage of the total amount due.

38 3. The amount withheld from the obligor's earnings, income,  
39 entitlements or other monies shall be multiplied by the percentage under  
40 paragraph 2 of this subsection to obtain the amount to be allocated to each  
41 family.

42 Sec. 3. Section 12-2454.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by  
43 Laws 1994, chapter 374, section 12, is amended to read:

1           12-2454.01. Ex parte order for assignments; violation;  
2                           classification

3           A. If a person obligated to pay ~~child~~ support or spousal maintenance  
4 is in arrears for an amount equal to at least one month's ~~child~~ support or  
5 spousal maintenance or wishes to implement a voluntary assignment, the  
6 state, the person entitled to receive the ~~child~~ support or spousal  
7 maintenance or the person obligated to pay support or maintenance may file  
8 a verified petition or request with the clerk of the superior court  
9 requesting the clerk to issue an order for assignment for ~~current child~~  
10 support AS DEFINED IN SECTION 12-2451 or spousal maintenance ~~and for unpaid~~  
11 ~~monthly installments, if applicable.~~ If the petition or request is filed by  
12 this state it need not be verified.

13           B. In a title IV-D case if there are no arrearages, the person to whom  
14 support or maintenance has been ordered to be paid, or the state, upon  
15 request of such person, may file a petition with the clerk of the superior  
16 court requesting the clerk to issue an order of assignment for current ~~child~~  
17 support or spousal maintenance. In title IV-D cases in which the title IV-D  
18 agency requests an order of assignment:

19           1. If the obligor's disposable earnings from the primary employer meet  
20 the ~~current child~~ OBLIGATION OF support ~~obligation and any arrearage payment~~  
21 AS DEFINED IN SECTION 12-2451, the court shall not issue an order for  
22 assignment to a secondary employer of the obligor.

23           2. If the obligor's disposable wages from the primary employer do not  
24 meet the ~~current child~~ OBLIGATION OF support ~~obligation and any arrearage~~  
25 ~~payment~~ AS DEFINED IN SECTION 12-2451, the court shall issue an order for  
26 assignment to a secondary employer of the obligor in order to meet the  
27 ~~current and past due child~~ FULL support obligations.

28           C. The petition or request shall be provided by the clerk of the court  
29 and shall contain:

30           1. The name of the person or agency entitled to receive ~~child~~ support  
31 or spousal maintenance.

32           2. A statement that the person obligated to pay ~~child~~ support or  
33 spousal maintenance is in arrears for an amount equal to at least one month's  
34 ~~child~~ support or spousal maintenance ~~and for unpaid monthly installments to~~  
35 ~~be paid on any arrearages~~ or wishes to implement a voluntary wage assignment.

36           3. A STATEMENT THAT THE CASE IS A TITLE IV-D CASE AND THAT THERE ARE  
37 NO ARREARAGES.

38           ~~3-~~ 4. The name and address of the payor of earnings, income,  
39 entitlements or other monies.

40           D. Following receipt of the petition or request, the clerk of the  
41 superior court, without notice to the person obligated to pay support or  
42 maintenance, shall order the person to make an assignment of a portion of the  
43 person's earnings, income, entitlements or other monies without regard to  
44 source as is sufficient to pay the amount ~~ordered by the court~~ REQUESTED to

1 the person or agency entitled to receive the ~~child~~ support or spousal  
2 maintenance. The order shall operate as an assignment and is binding upon  
3 any existing or future employer or other payor of the person ordered to pay  
4 support or spousal maintenance upon whom a copy of the order is served. The  
5 assignment shall be issued for ~~currently accruing child support or spousal~~  
6 ~~maintenance~~ AS DEFINED IN SECTION 12-2451 ~~and arrearages, if applicable~~. In  
7 those cases in which the payment is made through the court or support payment  
8 clearinghouse, the support and maintenance records of the clerk of the  
9 superior court or clearinghouse are prima facie evidence that the person is  
10 at least one month in arrears in support under this section. The assignment  
11 order shall be accompanied by a written notice in English and Spanish as  
12 prescribed in this section. If an obligor does not have periodic earnings,  
13 income or entitlements, the court shall order an assignment against any  
14 monies owed to the obligor or held for the benefit of the obligor. The order  
15 of assignment shall direct the holder of the monies to withhold and pay to  
16 the person or agency entitled to receive the ~~child~~ support the amount  
17 necessary to pay the amount ordered by the court.

18 E. The person or agency to whom support or maintenance has been  
19 ordered to be paid shall notify the clerk of the superior court or support  
20 payment clearinghouse of any address change within a reasonable period of  
21 time after such change. If the clerk or clearinghouse is unable to deliver  
22 payments under an assignment for a period of three months due to the failure  
23 of the person to whom the support or spousal maintenance has been ordered to  
24 be paid to notify the clerk or clearinghouse, the clerk or clearinghouse  
25 shall not make further payment under the assignment and shall return payments  
26 to ~~their source~~. THE OBLIGOR. Under such circumstances the court, clerk or  
27 clearinghouse shall order the release of the employer or payor from the  
28 assignment upon request of the employer, payor or clearinghouse or on the  
29 clerk's own initiative.

30 F. An assignment order made pursuant to this section does not become  
31 binding until thirty-one days after service of a copy of this subsection and  
32 subsections G, H, J, K, N, O and P of this section and two copies of the  
33 petition or request, order and notice upon an employer or other payor. The  
34 copy and two copies of the petition or request, assignment order and notice  
35 shall be served on a person's employer or other payor as provided under the  
36 rules of civil procedure, except that an employer or payor, wherever located,  
37 may be served by registered mail. Service by mail as authorized in this  
38 section is complete when the mailing is received by the employer or other  
39 payor. The employer or other payor shall withhold the amount specified in  
40 the assignment from the earnings, income, entitlements or other monies  
41 payable to the person obligated to support and shall transmit such amount to  
42 the clerk of the superior court or support payment clearinghouse within ten  
43 days after the date the employee is paid. The employer shall advise the clerk  
44 of the court or clearinghouse of the date the monies were withheld, may

1 combine withheld amounts for several employees in a single payment and shall  
2 separately identify the portion of the payment which is attributable to each  
3 employee. The employer or other payor may also withhold and retain for  
4 application to the employer's or payor's cost of compliance an additional sum  
5 not exceeding three dollars for each pay period in which earnings or other  
6 funds are withheld.

7 G. An order of assignment under this section shall be binding upon  
8 future employers and other future payors, as an assignment by operation of  
9 law, fourteen days after a ~~certified~~ copy of the assignment order is served  
10 on the employer or other payor as provided under the rules of civil procedure  
11 or by registered mail. The employer or other payor shall have an opportunity  
12 for a hearing by order to show cause or request for hearing if desired. The  
13 filing of a petition for an order to show cause or request by the employer  
14 or payor shall delay implementation of the order of assignment pending a  
15 hearing.

16 H. The order of assignment shall direct the employer or other payor  
17 to deliver or mail by registered mail a copy of the petition or request,  
18 assignment order and notice to the person ordered to pay ~~child~~ support or  
19 spousal maintenance within ten days of service thereof on the employer or  
20 other payor. The employer or other payor shall comply with the service  
21 requirements of the order. Service by registered mail is complete when the  
22 mailing is received by the person ordered to pay ~~child~~ support or spousal  
23 maintenance.

24 I. A person alleged to be in arrears may move to quash or request to  
25 stop or modify an assignment order issued under this section at any time.  
26 If the person requests to have a hearing prior to the assignment order  
27 becoming binding on the first employer or other payor, the motion to quash  
28 or request to stop or modify and notice of the hearing must be filed within  
29 ten days after delivery by the person's employer or other payor on such  
30 person of the petition or request, assignment order and notice. The person  
31 alleged to be in arrears shall state under oath that at the time the petition  
32 or request was filed the person was not at least one month in arrears for  
33 ~~child~~ support or spousal maintenance or if the amount shown in the petition  
34 or request and order is incorrect or has been modified. The court shall set  
35 the motion to quash or request to stop or modify for a hearing within ten  
36 days after receipt of the motion or request and notice of hearing. The  
37 person alleged to be in arrears shall mail to the person or agency entitled  
38 to receive support at the return address contained in the petition or request  
39 a copy of the motion or request and notice of hearing immediately upon the  
40 scheduling of the hearing on the motion or request. If the motion or request  
41 and notice of hearing are filed with the court by the person alleged to be  
42 in arrears before the date the order of assignment becomes binding on the  
43 employer or other payor, the court in its discretion may order the clerk of

1 the court or support payment clearinghouse not to disburse any monies until  
2 after the hearing on the motion or request.

3 J. The employer or other payor shall continue to withhold and forward  
4 support or spousal maintenance as ordered by the clerk of the superior court  
5 until otherwise ordered by the court. The employer or other payor shall  
6 notify the clerk in writing when the person ordered to pay support or spousal  
7 maintenance is no longer employed by the employer or the right to receive  
8 earnings, income, entitlements or other monies has been terminated. The  
9 employer shall also notify the clerk in writing of the former employee's last  
10 known address and the name and address of the former employee's new employer  
11 if known. If the employer reemploys the person ordered to pay support  
12 within ninety days of termination from employment, the employer is again  
13 bound by the order of assignment and is required to perform pursuant to this  
14 section. If a payor is again obligated to pay entitlements or monies to the  
15 person ordered to pay support within ninety days of termination of such  
16 right, the payor is again bound by the order of assignment and is required  
17 to perform pursuant to this section.

18 K. An order for assignment may be modified by the court at any time  
19 upon petition or request of either party or the employer or other payor and  
20 upon a hearing and showing of change in circumstances which are substantial  
21 and continuing.

22 L. Upon petition or request to the court and a hearing, the court may  
23 terminate the order of assignment for spousal maintenance if all arrearages  
24 have been satisfied, and if the court deems termination of the assignment  
25 order to be in the interest of justice.

26 M. Upon petition or request to the court and a hearing, the court may  
27 terminate the order of assignment ~~for child support~~ if all arrearages  
28 OBLIGATIONS OF SUPPORT AS DEFINED IN SECTION 12-2451 have been satisfied, and  
29 the person obligated to pay ~~child~~ support is no longer obligated to pay the  
30 ~~child~~ support.

31 N. An employer shall not refuse to hire a person or shall not  
32 discharge or otherwise discipline an employee as a result of a wage or salary  
33 assignment authorized by this section, and the order of assignment shall  
34 include such statement. An employer who refuses to hire a person or  
35 discharges or otherwise disciplines an employee as a result of the wage or  
36 salary assignment is subject to contempt and fines as established by the  
37 court. Any person wrongfully refused employment or employee wrongfully  
38 discharged or otherwise disciplined is entitled to recovery of damages  
39 suffered, plus reinstatement if appropriate, plus attorney fees and costs  
40 incurred. An employer or other payor who fails without good cause to comply  
41 with the terms of the assignment may be liable for amounts not paid to the  
42 clerk or clearinghouse pursuant to the assignment order, reasonable attorney  
43 fees and costs incurred and may be subject to contempt.



1 of the court within ten days of your receipt of the request,  
2 order for assignment and this notice.

3 If you request a hearing, it will begin no later than ten  
4 days after receipt of the request to stop or modify by the  
5 court. You should know that if the court decides against you at  
6 such hearing, you may have to pay the attorney fees and costs of  
7 the party who requested the order of assignment.

8 An assignment order made pursuant to this section does not  
9 become binding on the employer or other payor until thirty-one  
10 days after service of two copies of the request for assignment,  
11 assignment order and this notice on the employer or other payor  
12 and applies to current employers. An assignment order made  
13 pursuant to this section does not become binding on future  
14 employers or other payors until fourteen days after service of  
15 two copies of the request for assignment, the assignment order  
16 and this notice on the future employer or other payor.

17 You should know that under federal and state law (section  
18 33-1131, Arizona Revised Statutes) no more than one-half of your  
19 disposable earnings for any pay period may be taken to satisfy  
20 an order issued for the support of any person. Moreover, the  
21 amount of disposable earnings exempt from the enclosed  
22 assignment order must be paid to you on the regular payday for  
23 the pay period in which wages were earned. The employer or  
24 other payor may deduct three dollars for each pay period for  
25 costs. Disposable earnings means that remaining portion of a  
26 debtor's wages, salary or compensation for such debtor's  
27 personal services, including bonuses and commissions, or  
28 otherwise, and includes payments pursuant to a pension or  
29 retirement program, after deducting from such earnings those  
30 amounts required by law to be withheld.

31 You should also know that the employer or other payor will  
32 continue to withhold the amount set forth in the order each pay  
33 period and will forward the amount to the clerk or clearinghouse  
34 to pay to the party requesting the assignment until either:

35 1. You file a request with the court and, after a  
36 hearing, the court modifies the order of assignment for spousal  
37 maintenance or terminates the order of assignment for spousal  
38 maintenance if all arrearages are paid and if the court deems  
39 termination of the assignment order to be in the interest of  
40 justice.

41 2. You file a request with the court and, after a  
42 hearing, the court modifies the order of assignment for child  
43 support or terminates the order of assignment for child support  
44 when all ~~arrears~~ ~~ages~~ SUPPORT OBLIGATIONS AS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION

1 12-2451, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, are paid and you are no  
2 longer obligated to pay child support.

3 An employer may not refuse to hire, may not discharge or  
4 may not otherwise discipline you as a result of this order of  
5 assignment. If you are wrongfully refused employment,  
6 discharged or otherwise disciplined you may recover damages  
7 suffered, plus reinstatement if appropriate, plus reasonable  
8 attorney fees and costs incurred against the employer.

9 Unless a court has ordered otherwise, you have a duty to  
10 notify the clerk of the court OR THE CLEARINGHOUSE in writing of  
11 the address of your residence and of your employment and, within  
12 ten days, of a change in either one. Your failure to do so may  
13 subject you to sanctions for contempt of court, including  
14 reasonable attorney fees and costs pursuant to section 25-324,  
15 Arizona Revised Statutes.

16 Sec. 4. Repeal

17 Section 12-2454.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 1995,  
18 chapter 270, section 8, is repealed.

19 Sec. 5. Section 12-2463, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:  
20 12-2463. Lien; notice; priority; recording

21 A. Notwithstanding section 12-2461, in a title IV-D case if a person  
22 obligated to pay child support is in arrears for an amount equal to at least  
23 two month's child support, such unpaid amounts shall constitute a lien upon  
24 all property of the obligor. The department may establish a lien by filing  
25 a notice of lien with the county recorder in the county in which the obligor  
26 has property or with a state agency or a political subdivision of this state  
27 that files personal property liens for recording on its official record. The  
28 notice of lien recorded under this section shall specify the nature of the  
29 debt, the amount, and the name and last known address of the obligor. A  
30 liquidated judgment is not required to establish a lien. Recordation is  
31 constructive notice to the creditors of the owner or subsequent purchasers,  
32 against the personal or selected real property described in the lien. The  
33 lien has priority over other liens against this property except for liens  
34 arising from mortgages, deeds of trust, contracts, conveyances or security  
35 agreements created by the property owner and previously recorded or filed.

36 B. The department shall notify an obligor who is at least two months  
37 in arrears in making child support payments, periodic payments on a support  
38 arrearage or periodic payments pursuant to a court order of support that a  
39 notice of lien may be filed against the obligor. The notice shall state the  
40 following:

41 1. The obligor is at least two months in arrears in making child  
42 support payments.

43 2. The obligor may request IN WRITING an administrative review to  
44 contest the ~~arrears~~ ARREARS.

1           3. The obligor ~~shall~~ MAY request IN WRITING an administrative review  
2 within fifteen days from the date of mailing of the notice.

3           4. If the obligor requests an administrative review, the department  
4 shall stay ~~the~~ FURTHER action until a determination has been made at the  
5 administrative review.

6           5. If the obligor fails to respond to the notice, the department shall  
7 file a notice of lien against the obligor.

8           6. The address and telephone number of the department.

9           7. THE OBLIGOR MAY REQUEST A COPY OF THE ORDER.

10          C. ~~The department shall attach a copy of the order of support to the~~  
11 ~~notice.~~ The department shall serve the notice by first class mail.

12          D. If an obligor fails to respond to the notice in subsection B within  
13 fifteen days from the date of mailing, the department shall send the obligor  
14 a second notice by first class mail. The second notice shall include the  
15 information under subsection B and shall state the following:

16           1. If the obligor fails to contact the department within fifteen days  
17 from the date of mailing of the second notice, a notice of lien shall be  
18 filed against the obligor.

19           2. This is the final notice the obligor will receive.

20          E. If the obligor requests an administrative review pursuant to this  
21 section, the department shall determine whether to proceed with filing the  
22 notice of lien based on whether the obligor is required to pay child support,  
23 whether the obligor is in arrears, and any other information relevant to the  
24 case. The decision of the department shall be in writing and a copy shall  
25 be provided to the obligor.

26          F. If the department determines that the obligor is at least two  
27 months in arrears and determines at the administrative review to establish  
28 a lien upon the property of the obligor or if the obligor fails to respond  
29 to the second notice, a notice of lien shall be recorded and a copy sent to  
30 the obligor by certified mail.

31          G. The department may, at any time, release the property subject to  
32 the lien from the lien. Notice by the department to the effect that the  
33 property had been released from the lien is conclusive evidence that the  
34 property had been released. If any lien imposed pursuant to this section is  
35 satisfied and a notice of lien has been recorded, the department shall issue  
36 a release of the lien to the obligor against whom the lien was claimed. The  
37 department shall record the lien release in any county, agency or political  
38 subdivision where the original lien was recorded.

39          Sec. 6. Section 12-2464, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:  
40 12-2464. Notice of arrears; license suspension

41          A. The department of economic security shall notify an obligor who is  
42 at least two months in arrears in making child support payments, periodic  
43 payments on a support arrearage or periodic payments pursuant to a court  
44 order of support that the obligor may be referred to court for a hearing to

1 suspend the obligor's ~~driver's~~ DRIVER license. The notice shall state the  
2 following:

3 1. The obligor is at least two months in arrears in making child  
4 support payments.

5 2. The obligor may request in writing an administrative review to  
6 contest the arrearages within fifteen days from the date of mailing of the  
7 notice.

8 3. If the obligor requests an administrative review, the department  
9 shall stay the action to refer the obligor to court for ~~driver's~~ DRIVER  
10 license suspension.

11 4. If the obligor fails to respond to the notice, the department shall  
12 refer the obligor to court for ~~driver's~~ DRIVER license suspension.

13 5. The address and telephone number of the department.

14 6. THE OBLIGOR MAY REQUEST A COPY OF THE CHILD SUPPORT ORDER.

15 B. ~~The department shall attach a copy of the order of support to the~~  
16 ~~notice.~~ The department shall serve the notice by first class mail.

17 C. If an obligor fails to respond to the notice in subsection A within  
18 fifteen days from the date of mailing, the department shall send the obligor  
19 a second notice. The second notice shall include the information under  
20 subsection A and shall state the following:

21 1. If the obligor fails to contact the department within fifteen days  
22 from the date of mailing of the second notice, the obligor's driver's license  
23 shall be suspended.

24 2. This is the final notice the obligor will receive.

25 D. If an obligor requests an administrative review pursuant to this  
26 section, the issues at the review shall be limited to whether the obligor is  
27 required to pay child support and whether the obligor is in arrears. The  
28 department shall not refer the obligor to court for license suspension unless  
29 the department determines that the obligor is at least ~~sixty days in~~ TWO  
30 MONTHS IN arrears. The decision of the department shall be in writing and  
31 a copy shall be provided to the obligor.

32 E. If after the department determines that the obligor is at least  
33 ~~sixty days in~~ TWO MONTHS IN arrears or if the obligor fails to respond to the  
34 second notice, the department shall refer the obligor to court for driver's  
35 license suspension in accordance with section 25-320.01.

36 Sec. 7. Section 25-320, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

37 25-320. Child support; factors; methods of payment; additional  
38 enforcement provisions; definitions

39 A. In a proceeding for dissolution of marriage, legal separation,  
40 maintenance, or child support, the court may order either or both parents  
41 owing a duty of support to a child, born to or adopted by the parents, to pay  
42 an amount reasonable and necessary for support of the child, without regard  
43 to marital misconduct. If no child support has been ordered by a child  
44 support order and if the court deems child support appropriate, the court

1 shall direct, using a retroactive application of the child support guidelines  
2 to the date of filing a dissolution of marriage, legal separation,  
3 maintenance or child support proceeding, the amount which the parents shall  
4 pay for the past support of the child and the manner in which payment shall  
5 be ~~made~~ PAID, taking into account any amount of temporary or voluntary  
6 support which has been made. Such retroactive child support shall be  
7 enforceable in any manner provided by law. The supreme court shall establish  
8 guidelines for determining the amount of child support. The amount resulting  
9 from the application of these guidelines shall be the amount of child support  
10 ordered unless a written finding is made, based on criteria approved by the  
11 supreme court, that application of the guidelines would be inappropriate or  
12 unjust in a particular case. The supreme court shall review the guidelines  
13 at least once every four years to ensure that their application results in  
14 the determination of appropriate child support amounts. The guidelines and  
15 criteria for deviation from them shall be based on all relevant factors,  
16 including:

- 17 1. The financial resources and needs of the child.
- 18 2. The financial resources and needs of the custodial parent.
- 19 3. The standard of living the child would have enjoyed had the  
20 marriage not been dissolved.
- 21 4. The physical and emotional condition of the child, and ~~his~~ THE  
22 CHILD'S educational needs.
- 23 5. The financial resources and needs of the noncustodial parent.
- 24 6. Excessive or abnormal expenditures, destruction, concealment or  
25 fraudulent disposition of community, joint tenancy and other property held  
26 in common.

27 7. The duration of visitation and related expenses.  
28 B. In the case of a mentally or physically disabled child, if the  
29 court, after considering the factors set forth in subsection A of this  
30 section, deems it appropriate, the court may order support to continue past  
31 the age of majority and to be paid to the custodial parent, guardian or  
32 child, even if at the time of the filing of a petition or at the time of the  
33 final decree, the child has reached the age of majority.

34 C. If a child reaches the age of majority while the child is attending  
35 high school or a certified high school equivalency program, support shall  
36 continue to be provided during the period in which the child is actually  
37 attending high school or the equivalency program.

38 D. If a personal check for support payments and handling fees is  
39 rightfully dishonored by the payor bank or other drawee, any subsequent  
40 support payments and handling fees shall be paid only by cash, money order,  
41 cashier's check, traveler's check or certified check. If a person required  
42 to pay support other than by personal check demonstrates full and timely  
43 payment for twenty-four consecutive months, that person shall be permitted  
44 to pay support by personal check as long as such payments are for the full

1 amount, are timely tendered and are not rightfully dishonored by the payor  
2 bank or other drawee.

3 E. The provisions of subsection D of this section do not apply to  
4 payments made by means of an assignment.

5 F. IF THE CLERK OR CLEARINGHOUSE IS UNABLE TO DELIVER PAYMENTS FOR A  
6 PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS DUE TO THE FAILURE OF THE PERSON TO WHOM THE SUPPORT  
7 HAS BEEN ORDERED TO BE PAID TO NOTIFY THE CLERK OR CLEARINGHOUSE OF A CHANGE  
8 IN ADDRESS, THE CLERK OR CLEARINGHOUSE SHALL NOT MAKE FURTHER PAYMENTS AND  
9 SHALL RETURN THE PAYMENTS TO THE OBLIGOR.

10 ~~F~~ G. An order for child support shall assign responsibility for  
11 providing medical insurance for the child who is the subject of the support  
12 order and shall assign responsibility for the payment of any medical costs  
13 of the child which are not covered by insurance. In title IV-D cases, the  
14 parent responsible pursuant to court order for providing medical insurance  
15 for the child shall notify the ~~clerk of the court or the~~ clearinghouse  
16 prescribed in section 46-441 if the child is no longer covered under an  
17 employer's insurance plan. The ~~clerk of the court or the~~ clearinghouse shall  
18 notify the child support enforcement agency in the department of economic  
19 security of the lapse in insurance coverage.

20 ~~G~~ H. In title IV-D cases the superior court shall accept for filing  
21 any documents that are received through electronic transmission if the  
22 electronically reproduced document states that the copy used for the  
23 electronic transmission was certified before it was electronically  
24 transmitted.

25 ~~H~~ I. The court shall presume, in absence of contrary testimony, that  
26 a noncustodial parent is capable of full-time employment at least at the  
27 federal adult minimum wage. This presumption does not apply to noncustodial  
28 parents under the age of eighteen who are attending high school.

29 ~~I~~ J. An order for support shall provide for an assignment pursuant  
30 to sections 12-2454 and 25-323.

31 ~~J~~ K. At a hearing upon a petition to enforce child support if it  
32 appears from evidence presented at the hearing that a person ordered to pay  
33 child support is at least one month in arrears and is or may be licensed as  
34 a professional under title 32, the court, in addition to any other  
35 enforcement action available to the court, may direct the licensing board or  
36 agency to conduct a hearing in accordance with title 32, chapter 37  
37 concerning the suspension of the license or certificate of the person ordered  
38 to pay support. The court may direct a department or agency to conduct a  
39 hearing pursuant to section 32-3701 to suspend the license or certificate of  
40 a person ordered to pay support if the person is not licensed pursuant to  
41 title 32, but holds or may hold a license or certificate issued pursuant to  
42 title 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 15, 20, 36 or 41 or title 28, chapter 8.

43 ~~K~~ L. Each licensing board or agency that issues professional  
44 licenses or certificates shall record the social security number of the

1 licensee or certificate holder in its data base in order to aid the  
2 department of economic security in locating noncustodial parents or the  
3 assets of noncustodial parents.

4 M. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:

5 1. "CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES" MEANS THE CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES THAT  
6 ARE ADOPTED BY THE STATE SUPREME COURT PURSUANT TO 41 UNITED STATES CODE  
7 SECTIONS 651 THROUGH 669.

8 2. "SUPPORT" MEANS THE PROVISION OF MAINTENANCE OR SUBSISTENCE AND  
9 INCLUDES MEDICAL COVERAGE, ARREARAGES, INTEREST ON ARREARAGES, PAST SUPPORT,  
10 INTEREST ON PAST SUPPORT AND REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENDED PUBLIC ASSISTANCE.

11 3. "SUPPORT PAYMENTS" MEANS THE AMOUNT OF MONEY ORDERED BY THE COURT  
12 TO BE PAID FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE MINOR CHILD OR CHILDREN.

13 Sec. 8. Section 46-407, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

14 46-407. Assignment of rights to support

15 ~~A.~~ The right to support of a child and spouse who ~~receives~~ RECEIVE aid  
16 to families with dependent children pursuant to 42 United States Code  
17 sections 601 through 617 and chapter 2, article 5 of this title and the right  
18 to medical support of a child who receives medical assistance under title XIX  
19 of the social security act, — is assigned to this state by operation of law.  
20 The support rights are assigned to the state regardless of whether the  
21 applicant for assistance has any right to receive the support. The  
22 department shall take all steps necessary to enforce the assigned rights to  
23 support.

24 ~~B. For purposes of this section, "support" means both child support~~  
25 ~~and medical support.~~

26 Sec. 9. Section 46-408, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

27 46-408. Assignment of support rights; priority; definitions

28 A. The assignment under section 46-407 is subject to all of the  
29 following:

30 1. Terminates with respect to current support when the person entitled  
31 to receive support is no longer receiving aid to families with dependent  
32 children.

33 2. While receiving aid to families with dependent children, applies  
34 to any rights to support from any other person including any support which  
35 accrued prior to receiving aid to families with dependent children.

36 3. Does not preclude enforcement of support in the name of the person  
37 entitled to receive support.

38 4. Does not bind any person who lawfully pays support to the person  
39 entitled to receive support.

40 5. Does not assign amounts which exceed the amount of aid to families  
41 with dependent children paid to the person entitled to receive support to  
42 which the state is entitled to be reimbursed.

43 6. When the person entitled to receive support is not concurrently  
44 receiving aid to families with dependent children, amounts paid for support

1 shall be credited first to current support up to an amount equal to the  
2 amount of the court order in effect at the time of payment and the excess,  
3 if any, shall be subject to the assignment.

4 7. Until May 31, 1996, the assignment applies to arrearages arising  
5 from the assigned rights of support which right is superior to all other  
6 support claims except current support. From and after May 31, 1996, the  
7 assignment applies to arrearages provided in the court order subject to the  
8 following priorities:

9 (a) If the person entitled to receive support is currently receiving  
10 aid to families with dependent children, the state's claim for arrearages  
11 shall have priority over all other support claims except for current support.

12 (b) If the person entitled to receive support is not currently  
13 receiving aid to families with dependent children, the state and the person  
14 entitled to receive support shall have a proportionate claim for any  
15 arrearages owed to the state and the custodial parent under a child support  
16 order. The arrearage payment shall be distributed on the total outstanding  
17 arrearage amount and the percentage of the total outstanding arrearage owed  
18 to the state and the person entitled to receive support.

19 B. For purposes of this section:

20 1. "Arrearage" means the total unpaid support owed under a child  
21 support order.

22 2. "Support" ~~means both child support and medical support~~ HAS THE SAME  
23 MEANING AS DEFINED IN SECTION 12-2451.

24 Sec. 10. Section 46-441, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

25 46-441. Support payment clearinghouse; records transfer;  
26 payment; definition

27 A. The department shall establish a central clearinghouse ~~and at least~~  
28 ~~one branch office or representative in each county~~ to receive, disburse and  
29 monitor support payments pursuant to 42 United States Code sections 651  
30 through 665 669. ~~The county board of supervisors or its designee is the~~  
31 ~~representative for the central clearinghouse in each county if the board~~  
32 ~~meets the requirements of 42 United States Code sections 651 through 665.~~

33 B. All orders for support ~~issued after July 1, 1986~~ shall direct  
34 payment in title IV-D cases through the clearinghouse. All orders ~~existing~~  
35 ~~as of July 1, 1986~~ in title IV-D cases which specify payments through the  
36 clerk of the superior court shall be deemed to require payment to the  
37 clearinghouse after a notice to the obligor is issued.

38 C. The clerk of the superior court shall assist in transferring to the  
39 clearinghouse copies of all payment histories and relevant legal documents  
40 pertaining to the issue of support in title IV-D cases. This information  
41 shall be furnished on request.

42 D. Support payments and handling fees shall be paid to the  
43 clearinghouse as provided in section 12-2453, subsection A, in an amount as

1 prescribed in section 12-284, subsection A for the annual support handling  
2 fee.

3 E. IF THE CLERK OR CLEARINGHOUSE IS UNABLE TO DELIVER PAYMENTS FOR A  
4 PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS DUE TO THE FAILURE OF THE PERSON TO WHOM THE SUPPORT  
5 HAS BEEN ORDERED TO BE PAID TO NOTIFY THE CLERK OR CLEARINGHOUSE OF A CHANGE  
6 IN ADDRESS, THE CLERK OR CLEARINGHOUSE SHALL NOT MAKE FURTHER PAYMENT AND  
7 SHALL RETURN THE PAYMENTS TO THE OBLIGOR.

8 ~~F.~~ F. The clearinghouse shall have an accounting system for  
9 monitoring child support payments. The records of the clearinghouse are  
10 prima facie evidence of payment or nonpayment of support. When a case  
11 becomes delinquent in an amount equal to one month's child support or spousal  
12 maintenance, the clearinghouse shall notify the collections unit of the  
13 department or the county attorney and notify the obligor that the delinquency  
14 has been reported.

15 ~~F.~~ G. Payment of any money directly to an obligee or to a person  
16 other than the clearinghouse or clerk of the court after July 1, 1986 shall  
17 not be credited against the support obligation unless the direct payments  
18 were ordered by the court, or made pursuant to a support agreement by the  
19 parties.

20 ~~G.~~ H. The clearinghouse shall issue copies of payment histories and  
21 receipts for payment on request and may charge a fee for these services.

22 ~~H.~~ I. In this section, "title IV-D case" means a proceeding for  
23 support instituted by this state as required by 42 United States Code  
24 sections 651 through ~~665~~ 669.

25 Sec. 11. Clearinghouse contract; report

26 A. The department of economic security shall contract with a private  
27 vendor or governmental entity to provide receipting and posting services to  
28 the support payment central clearinghouse.

29 B. Beginning January 1, 1998, the department of economic security  
30 shall report annually to the legislature on the economic impact of the  
31 contract, including expenditures and cost savings.

32 Sec. 12. Clerk of the court contract; clearinghouse services

33 Notwithstanding sections 12-2453, 12-2454, 25-320 and 46-441, Arizona  
34 Revised Statutes and section 11 of this act, the department of economic  
35 security may continue or extend the existing contract with the clerks of the  
36 court for title IV-D support payment clearinghouse services.

37 Sec. 13. Delayed repeal

38 A. Section 11 of this act is repealed from and after September 30,  
39 2001.

40 B. Section 13 of this act is repealed from and after June 30, 1997.

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