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Senate Bill 698

Sponsor: Senator Rudy J. Nichols

Committee: Judiciary

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SUMMARY OF SENATE BILL 698 as introduced 11-30-89:

The bill would amend the Interstate Income Withholding Act to require that, when the Office of the Friend of the Court (FOC) requested an agency in another jurisdiction to order the withholding of an obligor's income for the purposes of enforcing a support order, the request be made by the FOC in the county in which the support order was entered or, if there were no such order, in the county in which the obligee or obligor lived. Any documentation relating to a request to order income withholding that was transmitted to an agency in another jurisdiction also would have to be filed with the clerk of the court. The bill also would require the FOC to receive, record, disburse and monitor payments made under an order to withhold income. A court could not require the payment of a filing fee or other costs from the obligee.

The Act defines "obligee" as "any person or entity that is entitled to receive support under a support order, and includes an entity of another jurisdiction to which a person has assigned his or her right to support". An "obligor" is "any person required to make payments under the terms of a support order for a child, spouse, or former spouse".

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Legislative Analyst: P. Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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