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**HOUSE BILL 19-1215** 

#### **HOUSE SPONSORSHIP**

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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COLORADO
102	CHILD SUPPORT COMMISSION, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH
103	MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

## **Bill Summary**

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <a href="http://leg.colorado.gov">http://leg.colorado.gov</a>.)

The bill includes changes to statute recommended by the Colorado child support commission, including:

- ! Adding a definition for "mandatory school fees";
- Adding required federal factors that a court or delegate child support enforcement unit must consider when

SENATE
3rd Reading Unamended

SENATE and Reading Unamended May 2, 2019

HOUSE 3rd Reading Unamended April 27, 2019

HOUSE Amended 2nd Reading April 26, 2019

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- determining potential income of a parent who is voluntarily unemployed or underemployed;
- ! Reducing from 30 months to 24 months the length of time after birth that a custodial parent has before income is imputed;
- ! Changing how income is imputed for a parent sentenced to incarceration for 180 days or more;
- ! Changing provisions relating to imputing income to a noncustodial parent who is attending postsecondary education:
- ! Increasing the self-support reserve for purposes of calculating child support from \$1,100 to \$1,500;
- ! Creating a \$10 minimum order for noncustodial parents with income under \$650;
- ! Making adjustments to the child support guidelines for parents with a combined, adjusted gross income up to \$3,450;
- ! Establishing a percentage reduction in a child support order based on the number of overnights for a parent with fewer than 183 overnights;
- ! Requiring the noncustodial parent to notify the custodial parent if a child is eligible for dependent benefits based on the noncustodial parent's retirement or disability and establishing time frames for the custodial parent to apply for dependent benefits;
- ! Clarifying that the Colorado child support commission is required under federal law to consider child support guidelines at least once every 4 years;
- ! Requiring a verified copy of a support judgment to be provided to all parties upon filing with the court;
- ! Authorizing the state child enforcement agency to issue a notice of administrative lien and levy to any financial institution holding an obligor parent's account for an obligor who is past due on child support owed to a child for whom the obligee is receiving support enforcement services from the state; and
- ! Removing the requirement that child support orders be based on the current minimum wage for a 40-hour work week
- 1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
- 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 14-10-115, amend

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1 (5)(b)(I), (5)(b)(III), (6)(b), (7)(a)(II)(B), (7)(a)(II)(C), (7)(a)(II)(D),2 (7)(b), (11)(a) introductory portion, (11)(a)(I), and (11)(c); and add 3 (3)(c.5), (5)(b)(I.5), (5)(b.5), and (8)(g) as follows: 4 14-10-115. Child support guidelines - purpose - determination 5 of income - schedule of basic child support obligations - adjustments 6 to basic child support - additional guidelines - child support 7 **commission - definitions.** (3) **Definitions.** As used in this section, unless 8 the context otherwise requires: 9 (c.5) "MANDATORY SCHOOL FEES" MEANS FEES CHARGED BY A 10 SCHOOL OR SCHOOL DISTRICT, INCLUDING A CHARTER SCHOOL, FOR A 11 CHILD ATTENDING PUBLIC PRIMARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR 12 ACTIVITIES THAT ARE DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE EDUCATIONAL MISSION 13 OF THE SCHOOL, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO LABORATORY FEES; 14 BOOK OR EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL FEES; SCHOOL COMPUTER OR 15 AUTOMATION-RELATED FEES, WHETHER PAID TO THE SCHOOL DIRECTLY OR PURCHASED BY A PARENT; TESTING FEES; AND SUPPLY OR MATERIAL FEES 16 PAID TO THE SCHOOL. "MANDATORY SCHOOL FEES" DOES NOT INCLUDE 17 18 UNIFORMS, MEALS, OR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY FEES. 19 (5) **Determination of income.** (b) (I) If a parent is voluntarily 20 unemployed or underemployed, child support shall MUST be calculated 21 based on a determination of potential income; except that a determination 22 of potential income shall MUST not be made for: 23 (A) A parent who is physically or mentally incapacitated; or 24 (B) A PARENT WHO is caring for a child under the age of thirty 25 TWENTY-FOUR months for whom the parents owe a joint legal 26 responsibility; or

(C) for An incarcerated parent sentenced to one year ONE

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1	HUNDRED EIGHTY DAYS or more.
2	(I.5) IF THE COURT OR DELEGATE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT
3	UNIT IMPUTES INCOME PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (5), THE
4	PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (5)(b.5) OF THIS SECTION APPLY.
5	(III) For the purposes of this section, a parent shall IS not be
6	deemed "underemployed" if:
7	(A) The employment is temporary and is reasonably intended to
8	result in higher income within the foreseeable future; or
9	(B) The employment is a good faith career choice that is not
10	intended to deprive a child of support and does not unreasonably reduce
11	the support available to a child; or
12	(C) The parent is enrolled FULL-TIME in an educational OR
13	VOCATIONAL program that OR IS EMPLOYED PART-TIME WHILE ENROLLED
14	IN A PART-TIME EDUCATIONAL OR VOCATIONAL PROGRAM, BASED ON THE
15	INSTITUTION'S ENROLLMENT DEFINITIONS, AND THE PROGRAM is
16	reasonably intended to result in a degree or certification within a
17	reasonable period of time; and that COMPLETING THE PROGRAM will result
18	in a higher income; so long as the educational program is a good faith
19	career choice that is not intended to deprive the child of support; and that
20	THE PARENT'S PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM does not unreasonably
21	reduce the AMOUNT OF CHILD support available to a child.
22	(b.5)(I) Except as otherwise provided in this section, if the
23	COURT OR DELEGATE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT UNIT DETERMINES
24	THAT A PARENT IS VOLUNTARILY UNEMPLOYED OR UNDEREMPLOYED OR
25	EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION IS UNREALIABLE, THE COURT OR DELEGATE
26	CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT UNIT SHALL DETERMINE AND DOCUMENT,

FOR THE RECORD, THE PARENT'S POTENTIAL INCOME.

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1	(II) IN DETERMINING POTENTIAL INCOME, THE COURT OR DELEGATE
2	CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT UNIT SHALL CONSIDER, TO THE EXTENT
3	KNOWN, THE SPECIFIC CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE PARENT, INCLUDING
4	CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, WHEN AVAILABLE:
5	(A) THE PARENT'S ASSETS;
6	(B) RESIDENCE;
7	(C) EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS HISTORY;
8	(D) JOB SKILLS;
9	(E) EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT;
10	(F) LITERACY;
11	(G) AGE;
12	(H) HEALTH;
13	(I) CRIMINAL RECORD;
14	(J) OTHER EMPLOYMENT BARRIERS;
15	(K) RECORD OF SEEKING WORK;
16	(L) THE LOCAL JOB MARKET;
17	(M) THE AVAILABILITY OF EMPLOYERS HIRING IN THE COMMUNITY,
18	WITHOUT CHANGING EXISTING LAW REGARDING THE BURDEN OF PROOF;
19	(N) PREVAILING EARNINGS LEVEL IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY; AND
20	(O) OTHER RELEVANT BACKGROUND FACTORS IN THE CASE.
21	(6) (b) The amount of the adjustment must not exceed the
22	schedule of basic support obligations listed in this section. For a parent
23	with a gross income of one thousand nine hundred dollars or less per
24	month, the adjustment is seventy-five percent of the amount calculated
25	using the low-income adjustment described in sub-subparagraphs (B) and
26	(C) of subparagraph (II) of paragraph (a) of subsection (7) of this section
27	based only upon the responsible parent's income, without any other

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adjustments for the number of other children for whom the parent is responsible. For a parent with gross income of more than one thousand nine FIVE hundred dollars per month, the adjustment is seventy-five percent of the amount listed under the schedule of basic support obligations in paragraph (b) of subsection (7) SUBSECTION (7)(b) of this section that would represent a support obligation based only upon the responsible parent's income, without any other adjustments for the number of other children for whom the parent is responsible. The amount calculated as set forth in this paragraph (b) SUBSECTION (6)(b) must be subtracted from the amount of the parent's gross income prior to calculating the basic support obligation based upon both parents' gross income, as provided in subsection (7) of this section.

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**(7)** Schedule of basic child support obligations. (a) (II) (B) Except as otherwise provided in sub-subparagraph (D) of this subparagraph (II), In circumstances in which the parents' combined OBLIGOR'S monthly adjusted gross income is less than one thousand one FIVE hundred dollars BUT MORE THAN SIX HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS, THE OBLIGOR IS REQUIRED TO PAY a child support payment of fifty dollars per month for one child, seventy dollars per month for two children, ninety dollars per month for three children, one hundred ten dollars per month for four children, one hundred thirty dollars per month for five children, and one hundred fifty dollars per month for six or more children. shall be required of the obligor. The minimum order amount shall not apply when each parent keeps the children more than ninety-two overnights each year as defined in paragraph (h) of subsection (3) SUBSECTION (3)(h) of this section. In no case, however, shall the amount of child support ordered to be paid exceed the amount of child support that would otherwise be

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ordered to be paid if the parents did not share physical custody.

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(C) Except as otherwise provided in sub-subparagraph (D) of this subparagraph (II), in circumstances in which the parents' combined monthly adjusted gross income is one thousand one hundred dollars or more, but in which the parent with the least number of overnights per year with the child has a monthly adjusted gross income of less than one thousand nine hundred dollars, the court or delegate child support enforcement unit, pursuant to section 26-13.5-105 (4), C.R.S., shall perform a low-income adjustment calculation of child support as follows: The court or delegate child support enforcement unit shall determine each parent's monthly adjusted gross income, as that term is defined in subsection (3) of this section. Based upon the parents' combined monthly adjusted gross incomes, the court or delegate child support enforcement unit shall determine the monthly basic child support obligation, using the schedule of basic child support obligations set forth in paragraph (b) of this subsection (7) and shall determine each parent's presumptive proportionate share of said obligation. The court or delegate child support enforcement unit shall then adjust the income of the parent with the fewest number of overnights per year with the child by subtracting one thousand one hundred dollars from that parent's monthly adjusted gross income. The result of the subtraction shall be added to the following basic minimum child support amount as additional minimum support, unless the result of the subtraction amount is zero or a negative figure, in which case the court shall add zero to the following basic minimum child support amount: Fifty dollars for one child; seventy dollars for two children; ninety dollars for three children; one hundred ten dollars for four children; one hundred thirty dollars for five children; and one

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1 hundred fifty dollars for six or more children. The court or delegate child 2 support enforcement unit shall compare the product of this addition to the 3 parent's presumptive proportionate share of the monthly basic support 4 obligation determined previously from the schedule of basic child support 5 obligations. The lesser of the two amounts shall be the basic monthly 6 support obligation to be paid by the low-income parent, as adjusted by the 7 <del>low-income parent's proportionate</del> FOR AN OBLIGOR WITH AN ADJUSTED 8 GROSS INCOME THAT OF LESS THAN ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED 9 DOLLARS BUT MORE THAN SIX HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS, THE OBLIGOR'S 10 CHILD SUPPORT AMOUNT, AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION 11 (7)(a)(II)(B) OF THIS SECTION, MAY BE ADJUSTED TO INCLUDE A share of 12 the work-related and education-related child care costs, health insurance, 13 extraordinary medical expenses, and other extraordinary adjustments as 14 described in subsections (9) to (11) of this section, IF, AFTER THESE 15 ADJUSTMENTS ARE MADE, THE OBLIGOR'S CHILD SUPPORT AMOUNT DOES 16 NOT EXCEED TWENTY PERCENT OF THE OBLIGOR'S ADJUSTED GROSS 17 INCOME. ADJUSTMENTS MUST NOT BE MADE TO THE OBLIGOR'S CHILD 18 SUPPORT AMOUNT PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (7)(a)(II)(C) IF, WITHIN 19 THE SAME CHILD SUPPORT ORDER, THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN FOR WHOM 20 A DUTY OF SUPPORT IS OWED RESULTS IN A CHILD SUPPORT OBLIGATION 21 THAT EXCEEDS TWENTY PERCENT OF THE OBLIGOR'S ADJUSTED GROSS 22 INCOME. The low-income adjustment shall not apply when each parent 23 keeps the children more than ninety-two overnights each year as defined 24 in subsection (8) of this section, In no case, however, shall the amount of 25 child support ordered to be paid exceed the amount of child support that 26 would otherwise be ordered to be paid if the parents did not share 27 physical custody.

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(D) In any circumstance in which the obligor's monthly adjusted
gross income is less than one thousand one SIX hundred FIFTY dollars,
regardless of the monthly adjusted gross income of the obligee, the
obligor $\frac{1}{2}$ MUST be ordered to pay the minimum monthly order amount
in child support. based on the number of children due support and this
subsection (7). The minimum order amount shall be fifty IS TEN dollars
per month for one child, seventy dollars per month for two children,
ninety dollars per month for three children, one hundred ten dollars per
month for four children, one hundred thirty dollars per month for five
${\color{blue} \textbf{children}, and one \ hundred \ fifty \ dollars \ per \ month \ for \ six \ or \ more \ children.}}$
The minimum order amount shall not apply when each parent keeps the
children more than ninety-two overnights each year as defined in
subsection (8) of this section. In no case, however, shall the amount of
child support ordered to be paid exceed the amount of child support that
would otherwise be ordered to be paid if the parents did not share
physical custody regardless of the number of children between
THESE PARTIES. THE TEN-DOLLAR MINIMUM MONTHLY ORDER AMOUNT IS
NOT ADJUSTED BY THE NUMBER OF THE OBLIGOR'S OVERNIGHTS WITH
CHILDREN.

(b) Schedule of basic child support obligations:

22 23 24 25 26	Combined OBLIGOR'S Adjusted Gross Income	One Child	Two Children	Three Children	Four Children	Five Children	Six Children
27	<del>100</del>						
28	<del>150</del>	Minimum	<del>Order Formul</del>	a Applies for	Adjusted Gro	ss Income Be	elow \$1,100
29	<del>200</del>						

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	Combined OBLIGOR'S Adjusted Gross Income	One Child	Two Children	Three Children	Four Children	Five Children	Six Children
1	<del>250</del>						
2	<del>300</del>						
3	<del>350</del>						
4	<del>400</del>						
5	<del>450</del>						
6	<del>500</del>						
7	<del>550</del>						
8	<del>600</del>						
9	<del>650</del>						
10	<del>700</del>						
11	<del>750</del>						
12	<del>800</del>						
13	<del>850</del>						
14	<del>900</del>						
15	<del>950</del>						
16	1000						
17	<del>1050</del>						
18	1100	<del>216</del>	<del>335</del>	<del>410</del>	<del>458</del>	<del>504</del>	<del>547</del>
19	<del>1150</del>	<del>225</del>	<del>348</del>	<del>427</del>	<del>477</del>	<del>524</del>	<del>570</del>
20	1200	<del>234</del>	<del>362</del>	<del>443</del>	<del>495</del>	<del>545</del>	<del>592</del>
21	<del>1250</del>	<del>243</del>	<del>375</del>	<del>460</del>	<del>513</del>	<del>565</del>	<del>614</del>
22	<del>1300</del>	<del>251</del>	<del>389</del>	<del>476</del>	<del>532</del>	<del>585</del>	<del>636</del>
23	<del>1350</del>	<del>260</del>	<del>402</del>	<del>492</del>	<del>550</del>	<del>605</del>	<del>658</del>
24	<del>1400</del>	<del>269</del>	<del>416</del>	<del>509</del>	<del>568</del>	<del>625</del>	<del>680</del>
25	<del>1450</del>	<del>277</del>	<del>429</del>	<del>525</del>	<del>587</del>	<del>645</del>	<del>701</del>
26	<del>1500</del>	<del>286</del>	<del>442</del>	<del>541</del>	<del>604</del>	<del>665</del>	<del>723</del>
27	0-650	10	10	10	10	10	10
28	651-1500	50	70	90	110	130	150

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1 2 3 4	COMBINED ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME	ONE CHILD	Two Children	THREE CHILDREN	Four Children	FIVE CHILDREN	Six Children
5	1550	<del>294</del>	<del>455</del>	<del>556</del>	<del>622</del>	<del>684</del>	<del>743</del>
6		85	105	125	145	165	185
7	1600	<del>302</del>	<del>467</del>	<del>572</del>	<del>639</del>	<del>703</del>	<del>764</del>
8		120	140	160	180	200	220
9	1650	<del>310</del>	<del>480</del>	<del>587</del>	<del>656</del>	<del>721</del>	<del>784</del>
10		155	175	195	215	235	255
11	1700	<del>319</del>	<del>492</del>	<del>602</del>	<del>673</del>	<del>740</del>	<del>805</del>
12		190	210	230	250	270	290
13	1750	<del>327</del>	<del>505</del>	<del>618</del>	<del>690</del>	<del>759</del>	<del>825</del>
14		225	245	265	285	305	325
15	1800	<del>335</del>	<del>518</del>	<del>634</del>	<del>708</del>	<del>778</del>	<del>846</del>
16		260	280	300	320	340	360
17	1850	<del>343</del>	<del>530</del>	<del>649</del>	<del>725</del>	<del>798</del>	<del>867</del>
18		295	315	335	355	375	395
19	1900	<del>352</del>	<del>543</del>	<del>665</del>	<del>742</del>	<del>817</del>	888
20		330	350	370	390	410	430
21	1950	360	<del>556</del>	<del>680</del>	<del>760</del>	<del>836</del>	<del>908</del>
22			385	405	425	445	465
23	2000	368	<del>569</del>	<del>696</del>	777	<del>855</del>	<del>929</del>
24			420	440	460	480	500
25	2050	377	<del>581</del>	<del>711</del>	<del>794</del>	<del>874</del>	<del>950</del>
26			455	475	495	515	535
27	2100	385	<del>594</del>	<del>727</del>	<del>812</del>	<del>893</del>	<del>971</del>
28			490	510	530	550	570
29	2150	393	<del>607</del>	<del>742</del>	<del>829</del>	<del>912</del>	<del>991</del>
30			525	545	565	585	605
31	2200	401	<del>620</del>	<del>758</del>	<del>847</del>	<del>931</del>	<del>1012</del>
32			560	580	600	620	640

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	COMBINED ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME	ONE CHILD	Two Children	THREE CHILDREN	Four Children	FIVE CHILDREN	SIX CHILDREN
1	2250	410	<del>632</del>	<del>773</del>	<del>864</del>	<del>950</del>	<del>1033</del>
2			595	615	635	655	675
3	2300	418	<del>645</del>	<del>789</del>	<del>881</del>	<del>969</del>	1054
4			630	650	670	690	710
5	2350	426	658	<del>804</del>	<del>899</del>	<del>988</del>	<del>1074</del>
6				685	705	725	745
7	2400	435	671	<del>820</del>	<del>916</del>	1007	<del>1095</del>
8				720	740	760	780
9	2450	443	683	<del>835</del>	<del>933</del>	<del>1026</del>	<del>1116</del>
10				755	775	795	815
11	2500	451	696	<del>851</del>	<del>950</del>	<del>1045</del>	<del>1136</del>
12				790	810	830	850
13	2550	459	709	<del>866</del>	<del>968</del>	<del>1064</del>	<del>1157</del>
14				825	845	865	885
15	2600	468	722	<del>882</del>	<del>985</del>	<del>1084</del>	<del>1178</del>
16				860	880	900	920
17	2650	476	734	<del>897</del>	<del>1002</del>	<del>1103</del>	<del>1198</del>
18				895	915	935	955
19	2700	484	747	913	<del>1020</del>	<del>1122</del>	<del>1219</del>
20					950	970	990
21	2750	493	760	928	<del>1037</del>	<del>1141</del>	<del>1240</del>
22					985	1005	1025
23	2800	501	772	944	<del>1054</del>	<del>1160</del>	<del>1261</del>
24					1020	1040	1060
25	2850	509	785	959	<del>1071</del>	<del>1179</del>	<del>1281</del>
26					1055	1075	1095
27	2900	517	797	974	1087	<del>1196</del>	<del>1300</del>
28						1110	1130

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	COMBINED ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME	ONE CHILD	Two Children	THREE CHILDREN	Four Children	FIVE CHILDREN	SIX CHILDREN
1	2950	525	809	988	1103	<del>1213</del>	<del>1319</del>
2						1145	1165
3	3000	533	821	1002	1119	<del>1231</del>	<del>1338</del>
4						1180	1200
5	3050	541	833	1016	1135	<del>1248</del>	<del>1357</del>
6						1215	1235
7	3100	548	844	1030	1150	<del>1266</del>	<del>1376</del>
8						1250	1270
9	3150	556	856	1044	1166	1283	<del>1394</del>
10							1305
11	3200	564	868	1058	1182	1300	1413
12							1340
13	3250	572	880	1072	1198	1318	<del>1432</del>
14							1375
15	3300	580	892	1086	1214	1335	<del>1451</del>
16							1410
17	3350	588	904	1101	1229	1352	<del>1470</del>
18							1445
19	3400	596	915	1115	1245	1370	<del>1489</del>
20							1480
21	3450	604	928	1129	1261	1388	1508
22	3500	612	940	1144	1278	1406	1529
23	3550	620	953	1160	1295	1425	1549
24	3600	628	965	1175	1312	1444	1569
25	3650	636	977	1189	1328	1460	1587
26	3700	643	987	1202	1342	1477	1605
27	3750	650	998	1215	1357	1493	1622
28	3800	657	1009	1228	1372	1509	1640

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	COMBINED ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME	ONE CHILD	TWO CHILDREN	THREE CHILDREN	FOUR CHILDREN	FIVE CHILDREN	SIX CHILDREN
1	29050	2459	3705	4420	4938	5431	5904
2							
	29100	2463	3711	4428	4946	5440	5913
3	29150	2467	3717	4435	4954	5449	5923
4	29200	2471	3723	4442	4962	5458	5933
5	29250	2475	3729	4449	4970	5467	5942
6	29300	2479	3735	4456	4978	5476	5952
7	29350	2483	3741	4464	4986	5484	5962
8	29400	2487	3747	4471	4994	5493	5971
9	29450	2491	3753	4478	5002	5502	5981
10	29500	2495	3759	4485	5010	5511	5990
11	29550	2499	3765	4492	5018	5520	6000
12	29600	2503	3771	4500	5026	5529	6010
13	29650	2507	3777	4507	5034	5538	6019
14	29700	2511	3783	4514	5042	5546	6029
15	29750	2515	3789	4521	5050	5555	6039
16	29800	2519	3795	4529	5058	5564	6048
17	29850	2523	3801	4536	5066	5573	6058
18	29900	2527	3807	4543	5074	5582	6068
19	29950	2531	3813	4550	5083	5591	6077
20	30000	2535	3819	4557	5091	5600	6087

(8) Computation of basic child support - shared physical care - split physical care - stipulations - deviations - basis for periodic updates. (g) For purposes of calculating child support, when two or more children are included in the child support worksheet calculation and the parties have a different number of overnights with two or more of the children, the number of overnights used to determine child support is determined by

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1	ADDING TOGETHER THE NUMBER OF OVERNIGHTS FOR EACH CHILD AND
2	THEN DIVIDING THAT NUMBER BY THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN INCLUDED IN
3	THE CHILD SUPPORT WORKSHEET CALCULATION.
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5	(11) Extraordinary adjustments to the schedule of basic child
6	support obligations - periodic disability benefits. (a) By agreement of
7	the parties or by order of court, the following reasonable and necessary
8	expenses incurred on behalf of the child shall MUST be divided between
9	the parents in proportion to their adjusted gross income:
10	(I) Any expenses for attending any special or private elementary
11	or secondary schools to meet the particular educational needs of the child
12	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL MANDATORY SCHOOL FEES; and
13	(c) (I) IF THE NONCUSTODIAL PARENT RECEIVES PERIODIC
14	DISABILITY BENEFITS GRANTED BY THE FEDERAL "OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS,
15	AND DISABILITY INSURANCE ACT", 42 U.S.C. SEC. 401 ET SEQ., DUE TO
16	THE DISABILITY OF THE NONCUSTODIAL PARENT OR RECEIVES
17	EMPLOYER-PAID RETIREMENT BENEFITS FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
18	DUE TO THE RETIREMENT OF THE NONCUSTODIAL PARENT, THE
19	NONCUSTODIAL PARENT SHALL NOTIFY THE CUSTODIAL PARTY, AND THE
20	DELEGATE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT UNIT, IF A PARTY TO THE CASE,
21	WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE NONCUSTODIAL PARTY RECEIVES NOTICE
22	OF SUCH BENEFITS.
23	(II) ABSENT GOOD CAUSE SHOWN, THE CUSTODIAL PARENT MUST
24	APPLY FOR DEPENDENT BENEFITS FOR THE CHILD OR CHILDREN WITHIN
25	SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE CUSTODIAL PARENT RECEIVES NOTIFICATION
26	PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (11)(c)(I) OF THIS SECTION, AND SHALL
27	COOPERATE WITH THE APPROPRIATE FEDERAL AGENCY IN COMPLETING

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1	ANY APPLICATION FOR BENEFITS.
2	(III) In cases where the custodial parent receives periodic
3	disability benefits granted by the federal "Old-age, Survivors, and
4	Disability Insurance Act", 42 U.S.C. SEC. 401 ET SEQ., on behalf of
5	dependent children due to the disability of the noncustodial parent or
6	receives employer-paid retirement benefits from the federal government
7	on behalf of dependent children due to the retirement of the noncustodial
8	parent, the noncustodial parent's share of the total child support obligation
9	as determined pursuant to subsection (8) of this section shall MUST be
10	reduced in an amount equal to the amount of the benefits.
11	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 14-10-115, amend
12	(16)(a) as follows:
13	14-10-115. Child support guidelines - purpose - determination
14	of income - schedule of basic child support obligations - adjustments
15	to basic child support - additional guidelines - child support
16	commission - definitions. (16) Child support commission. (a) The
17	child support guidelines, including the schedule of basic child support
18	obligations, and general child support issues shall MUST be reviewed AT
19	LEAST ONCE EVERY FOUR YEARS by a child support commission, which
20	commission is hereby created. AFTER THE PERIODIC REVIEW DESCRIBED
21	IN THIS SECTION, THE COMMISSION SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE
22	GOVERNOR AND TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPLAINING THE
23	COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS.
24	SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 14-10-122, amend
25	(1)(c) and $(1.5)(c)(I)$ as follows:
26	14-10-122. Modification and termination of provisions for

maintenance, support, and property disposition - automatic lien -

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**definitions.** (1) (c) In any action or proceeding in any court of this state in which child support, maintenance when combined with child support, or maintenance is ordered, a payment becomes a final money judgment, referred to in this section as a support judgment, when it is due and not paid. Such payment shall IS not be retroactively modified except pursuant to paragraph (a) of this subsection (1) SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION and may be enforced as other judgments without further action by the court; except that an existing child support order with respect to child support payable by the obligor may be modified retroactively to the time that a mutually agreed upon change of physical custody occurs pursuant to subsection (5) of this section. A support judgment is entitled to full faith and credit and may be enforced in any court of this state or any other state. In order to enforce a support judgment, the obligee shall file with the court that issued the order a verified entry of support judgment specifying the period of time that the support judgment covers and the total amount of the support judgment for that period. The obligee or the delegate child support enforcement unit shall IS not be required to wait fourteen days to execute on such support judgment. HOWEVER, A COPY OF THE VERIFIED ENTRY OF SUPPORT JUDGMENT MUST BE PROVIDED TO ALL PARTIES PURSUANT TO RULE 5 OF THE COLORADO RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, UPON FILING WITH THE COURT. A verified entry of support judgment is not required to be signed by an attorney. A verified entry of support judgment may be used to enforce a support judgment for debt entered pursuant to section 14-14-104. The filing of a verified entry of support judgment shall revive REVIVES all individual support judgments that have arisen during the period of time specified in the entry of support judgment and that have not been satisfied, pursuant to rule 54 (h) of the

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Colorado rules of civil procedure, without the requirement of a separate motion, notice, or hearing. Notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph (c) SUBSECTION (1)(c), no court order for support judgment nor verified entry of support judgment shall be IS required in order for the county and state child support enforcement units to certify past-due amounts of child support to the internal revenue service or to the department of revenue for purposes of intercepting a federal or state tax refund or lottery winnings.

(1.5) (c) Lien on personal property other than wages, insurance claim payments, awards, and settlements, and money held by a financial institution as defined in 42 U.S.C. sec. 669a (d)(1) or motor vehicles. (I) To evidence a lien on personal property, other than wages; insurance claim payments, awards, and settlements as authorized in section 26-13-122.7; C.R.S.; ACCOUNTS AS AUTHORIZED IN SECTION 26-13-122.3; and moneys MONEY held by a financial institution as defined in 42 U.S.C. sec. 669a (d)(1) or motor vehicles, created pursuant to this subsection (1.5), the state child support enforcement agency shall file a notice of lien with the secretary of state by means of direct electronic data transmission. From the time of filing the notice of lien with the secretary of state, the lien is an encumbrance in favor of the obligee, or the assignee of the obligee, and encumbers all personal property or any interest of the obligor in any personal property.

SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 19-6-104, amend (5.5) as follows:

**19-6-104. Hearing - orders.** (5.5) All child support orders entered pursuant to this article shall ARTICLE 6 MUST include the social security account numbers and dates of birth of the parties and of the

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1	children who are the subjects of the order and the parties' residential and
2	mailing addresses.
3	SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-13-106, amend
4	(4); and add (5) as follows:
5	26-13-106. Eligibility for services - child support DRA fee cash
6	<b>fund.</b> (4) After more than five hundred FIFTY dollars has been collected
7	from an obligor during a year, the county department shall recover a fee
8	of twenty-five THIRTY-FIVE dollars from the obligee if the obligee has
9	never received public assistance. The county department shall withhold
10	the fee from the first amount collected that exceeds the
11	five-hundred-dollar FIVE-HUNDRED-FIFTY-DOLLAR threshold.
12	(5) There is created in the state treasury the child
13	SUPPORT DRA FEE CASH FUND, REFERRED TO IN THIS SUBSECTION (5) AS
14	THE "FUND". THE FUND CONSISTS OF MONEY CREDITED TO THE FUND FROM
15	THE STATE SHARE, IF ANY, OF FEES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION
16	AND ANY OTHER MONEY THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY APPROPRIATE
17	OR TRANSFER TO THE FUND. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL CREDIT ALL
18	INTEREST AND INCOME DERIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF
19	MONEY IN THE FUND TO THE FUND. SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATION
20	BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE STATE DEPARTMENT MAY EXPEND
21	MONEY FROM THE FUND FOR PROGRAM OPERATIONS.
22	SECTION 6. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 26-13-122.3 as
23	follows:
24	26-13-122.3. Administrative lien and levy of accounts held by
25	financial institutions - definitions. (1) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION,
26	UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:
27	(a) "ACCOUNT" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS DEFINED IN SECTION

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1	26-13-128 (7)(a).
2	(b) "FINANCIAL INSTITUTION" HAS THE SAME MEANING AS DEFINED
3	IN SECTION 26-13-128 (7)(b).
4	(2) THE STATE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY MAY ISSUE
5	A NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LIEN AND LEVY TO ANY FINANCIAL
6	INSTITUTION OR ITS AGENT HOLDING AN OBLIGOR PARENT'S ACCOUNT OR
7	ACCOUNTS IDENTIFIED PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-13-128. THE
8	ADMINISTRATIVE LIEN AND LEVY MAY BE ISSUED WHEN AN OBLIGOR WHO
9	IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SUPPORT OF A CHILD ON WHOSE BEHALF THE
10	OBLIGEE IS RECEIVING SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT SERVICES FROM THE
11	STATE'S CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY PURSUANT TO THIS
12	ARTICLE 13 IS PAST DUE ON CHILD SUPPORT OBLIGATIONS. THE NOTICE
13	MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS AND INFORMATION:
14	(a) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION
15	HOLDING AN OBLIGOR PARENT'S FINANCIAL ACCOUNT OR ACCOUNTS;
16	(b) THE OBLIGOR'S NAME, LAST-KNOWN ADDRESS, AND SOCIAL
17	SECURITY NUMBER EXCEPT WHERE OTHER IDENTIFYING INFORMATION MAY
18	BE PROVIDED IN LIEU OF A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER;
19	(c) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OWED FOR PAST-DUE CHILD SUPPORT AS
20	IDENTIFIED BY THE STATE AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 26-13-128 (2)(c);
21	$(d)\ A \text{STATEMENT THAT THE NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LIEN AND}$
22	LEVY TAKES EFFECT UPON THE RECEIPT BY THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION OF
23	THE NOTICE;
24	(e) Instructions on the remittance of the withheld or
25	SURRENDERED AMOUNTS, INCLUDING THE REQUIREMENT THAT EACH
26	CHECK OR REMITTANCE:
27	(I) BE PAYABLE TO THE FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY AND SENT TO

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1	THE ADDRESS INDICATED IN THE NOTICE;
2	(II) BE SURRENDERED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF
3	NOTICE OF LIEN AND LEVY; AND
4	(III) INCLUDE THE FAMILY SUPPORT REGISTRY ACTION NUMBER ON
5	THE FACE OF THE CHECK OR REMITTANCE;
6	(f) A STATEMENT THAT, IF NO FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FOR
7	SURRENDER, THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION SHALL RETURN THE REMITTANCE
8	NOTICE WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE NOTICE OF LIEN AND
9	LEVY; AND
10	(g) A STATEMENT THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE LIEN AND LEVY IS
11	AUTOMATICALLY INACTIVATED ONCE THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION HAS
12	RETURNED THE REMITTANCE NOTICE OR SURRENDERED THE FUNDS HELD
13	BY THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION.
14	(3) IN ORDER TO ATTACH AND COLLECT FUNDS IN A FINANCIAL
15	ACCOUNT IDENTIFIED PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-13-128 FOR PAST-DUE
16	CHILD SUPPORT, THE STATE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IS
17	AUTHORIZED TO SERVE, BY FIRST-CLASS MAIL OR BY ELECTRONIC MEANS
18	IF MUTUALLY AGREED UPON, A NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LIEN AND
19	LEVY ON ANY FINANCIAL INSTITUTION OR ITS AGENT THAT HOLDS THE
20	OBLIGOR PARENT'S ACCOUNT OR ACCOUNTS. A COPY OF THE
21	ADMINISTRATIVE LIEN AND LEVY MUST BE PROVIDED TO THE OBLIGOR AND
22	MUST INCLUDE INFORMATION ON THE OBLIGOR'S AND, IF APPLICABLE, A
23	JOINT ACCOUNT HOLDER OR HOLDERS', RIGHT TO FILE AN APPLICABLE
24	EXCEPTION, EXEMPTION, OR APPEAL, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO,
25	CUSTODIAL ACCOUNTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 11-50-110, THE EARNINGS
26	LIMITATIONS SET FORTH IN SECTION 13-54-104 (3), AND THE APPEAL
27	POLICY FOR JOINTLY OWNED OR SHARED ACCOUNTS.

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1	(4) Subsection (3) of this section applies to all past-due
2	CHILD SUPPORT OBLIGATIONS ORDERED AS PART OF ANY PROCEEDING,
3	REGARDLESS OF WHEN THE ORDER WAS ENTERED, AND ALL SUCH CHILD
4	SUPPORT OBLIGORS ARE SUBJECT TO NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LIEN AND
5	LEVY AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION.
6	<b>SECTION 7.</b> In Colorado Revised Statutes, 26-13.5-105, amend
7	(4) as follows:
8	26-13.5-105. Negotiation conference - issuance of order of
9	financial responsibility - filing of order with district court. (4) The
10	determination of the monthly support obligation shall be IS based on the
11	child support guidelines set forth in section 14-10-115. C.R.S. The
12	delegate child support enforcement unit may issue an administrative
13	subpoena requesting income information, including but not limited to
14	wage statements, pay stubs, and tax records. In the absence of reliable
15	information, which may include such information as wage statements or
16	other wage information obtained from the department of labor and
17	employment, tax records, and verified statements made by the obligee, the
18	delegate child support enforcement unit shall set the amount included in
19	the order of financial responsibility pursuant to section 14-10-115, <del>C.R.S.,</del>
20	based on the current minimum wage for a forty-hour workweek AFTER
21	${\rm considering The Factors Set Forth in Section 14-10-115 (5)} (b.5) (II).$
22	<b>SECTION 8. Appropriation.</b> For the 2019-20 state fiscal year,
23	\$143,650 is appropriated to the department of human services for use by
24	the office of self sufficiency. This appropriation is from the child support
25	deficit reduction act fee cash fund. To implement this act, the office may
26	use this appropriation for the automated child support enforcement
27	system.

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1	<b>SECTION 9.</b> Effective date - applicability. (1) This act takes
2	effect July 1, 2019; except that section 14-10-115 (3)(c.5), (6)(b),
3	(7)(a)(II)(B), (7)(a)(II)(C), (7)(a)(II)(D), (7)(b), (8)(g), (11)(a)
4	introductory portion, (11)(a)(I), and (11)(c), Colorado Revised Statutes,
5	as amended and added in section 1 of this act, takes effect July 1, 2020.
6	(2) Section 1 of this act applies to orders entered on or after the
7	applicable effective dates specified in subsection (1) of this section.
8	SECTION 10. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,
9	determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
10	preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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