

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Prior law, relative to the Dept. of Children and Family Services (DCFS), provided procedures for child support enforcement actions, including provisions for amendments of support payments.

New law revises procedure for commencement of child support actions to be in compliance with federal law, 42 U.S.C. 666, and provides for redirection of support payments.

New law provides that DCFS is authorized to receive and disburse support payments made on behalf of each child who is a recipient of public assistance, and is authorized to administratively change the payee of a support order to the department.

New law provides that DCFS shall give notice of such change to the obligee and the obligor and shall file a copy of such notice with the court by which the order was issued or last registered.

Prior law provided that in cases receiving support enforcement services from DCFS, upon motion of the district attorney or the department, a support order shall be transferred to the appropriate court which was enforcing the support order prior to its transfer to the department. New law repeals prior law.

Prior law further provided that for support orders no longer receiving support enforcement services from the department, upon motion of an interested party, a support order amended to change the payee to the individual or current caretaker in accordance with prior law shall be transferred to the district or family court in the same parish as the juvenile court transferring the order. New law retains prior law but removes "amended to change the payee to the individual or current caretaker in accordance with" prior law.

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(Amends Ch.C. Art. 313(B) and R.S. 46:236.2)