

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 986

BY REPRESENTATIVE KERNER

CHILDREN/SUPPORT: Requires child support payments by persons convicted of vehicular homicide

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 9:315.48, relative to persons convicted of vehicular homicide; to provide  
3 relative to a parent of a minor child who dies by vehicular homicide; to provide  
4 relative to child support for the surviving child; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 9:315.48 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §315.48. Vehicular homicide; child support payments

8 In addition to the penalties provided in R.S. 14:32.1, any individual convicted  
9 of the crime of vehicular homicide wherein the victim is a parent with a minor child,  
10 the offender shall also be ordered to pay child support pursuant to the schedule for  
11 support provided in R.S. 9:315.19.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Requires an offender convicted of vehicular homicide to pay child support if the offense results in the death of a parent.

Proposed law requires any individual convicted of the crime of vehicular homicide, when the victim is a parent of a minor child, to pay child support for the surviving child.

(Adds R.S. 9:315.48)