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HOUSE BILL NO. 212

BY REPRESENTATIVE DAVIS AND SENATORS BISHOP, GATTI, AND WARD

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 46:236.3(E)(6), relative to enforcement of support by income assignment; to provide for procedures for the issuance of lump-sum payments; to provide definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 46:236.3(E)(6) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§236.3. Enforcement of support by income assignment

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(6)(a) For the purpose of this Paragraph, "lump-sum payment" means a single payment made all at once from any source, in lieu of recurring payments that would be received by an obligor over a period of time.

(b)(i) When a payor intends to issue a lump-sum payment in the amount of three hundred dollars or more to an obligor, the payor shall notify the department at least fifteen days prior to its issuance of the lump-sum payment. Nothing in this Paragraph shall prevent a payor from reporting a lower lump-sum payment at the payor's discretion.

(ii) Notice of the lump-sum payment shall be provided in a method approved by the department. The department shall provide information regarding all approved methods on its website.

(c) If, after fifteen days from the date the payor notifies the department, the payor has not received any verification from the department as to any withholdings

1 of the lump-sum payment, then the payor may dispense the lump-sum payment in
2 full to the obligor.

3 (d) The provisions of this Paragraph apply only when the department is
4 providing support enforcement services.

5 (e) A payor who complies with the requirements of this Paragraph shall not
6 be subject to the penalties provided for in Subsection K of this Section.

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