HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2022 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 489 by Senator Jackson

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

- 2 On page 1, line 2, after "reenact" delete the remainder of the line and insert "R.S.
- 3 9:315.32(A), relative to child"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

- 5 On page 1, delete lines 8 through 17 in their entirety and on page 2, delete lines 1 through
- 6 19 in their entirety and insert the following:
 - "Section 1. R.S. 9:315.32(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

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§315.32. Order of suspension of license; noncompliance with support order; contempt of court

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18 19 A.(1)(a) In or ancillary to any action to make past-due child support executory, for <u>in an action for</u> contempt of court for failure to comply with an order of support, or <u>in</u> a criminal neglect of family proceeding, the court on its own motion or upon motion of an obligee or the department shall, unless the court determines good cause exists, <u>may</u> issue an order of suspension of a license or licenses of any obligor who is not in compliance with an order of child support. The court shall give specific written and oral reasons supporting its determination of good cause including a finding as to the particular facts and circumstances that warrant a determination not to suspend a license or licenses of an obligor who is not in compliance with an order of child support <u>to issue the order of suspension</u>. The reasons shall become part of the record of the proceeding.

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(b) The court shall not issue an order for a suspension of a license pursuant to this Paragraph unless it finds that a properly issued immediate income assignment or garnishment of wages did not result in the withholding or seizure of income and the obligor has not otherwise made payment toward the obligation of child support.

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(b) (c) An order suspending a license to operate a motor vehicle may provide specific time periods for the suspension at the court's discretion.

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(2)(a) In or ancillary to any child support or paternity proceeding, the court on its own motion or upon motion of any party or the department may issue an order of suspension of a license of any person who is guilty of contempt of court for failure to comply with a subpoena or warrant.

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(b) Provided that before Before the issuance of an order for a suspension of a license of any person in, or ancillary to, any paternity proceeding where paternity has not yet been established, the court shall notify such person by personal service.

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(3) If an obligor's failure to appear or failure to comply with an order of support is due to incarceration as defined in R.S. 9:311.1 the court shall not suspend the obligor's license.

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