

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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New law provides for a comprehensive revision of the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act, including the following major changes:

- (1) Provides procedures for the registration, recognition, enforcement, and modification of foreign support orders.
- (2) Authorizes tribunals (including courts and administrative agencies) to establish a support order after a petition is filed in a foreign country, provided that certain requirements are met.
- (3) Extends existing law personal jurisdiction provisions that previously applied to tutors to also apply to guardians and curators.
- (4) Requires certain tribunals to convert the amount of a support order to foreign currency or U.S. dollars, as applicable.
- (5) Authorizes tribunals to communicate with each other by electronic means.
- (6) Expands the list of circumstances in which a temporary child support order may be issued.

Existing law provides that the notice to withhold shall operate as an assignment and be binding upon any existing or future employers or payors of income.

New law authorizes the payor to choose to receive electronic notices to withhold from the Dept. of Children and Family Services.

Section 1 of the Act is effective July 1, 2015; Section 2 is effective October 1, 2015; and Section 3 is effective June 5, 2015.

(Amends Ch.C. Arts. 1301.1-1309.3 and R.S. 46:236.3(I))