

Regular Session, 2010
HOUSE BILL NO. 259
BY REPRESENTATIVE GREENE

ACT No. 689

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 74.2(C)(1) and R.S. 14:75(B) and (C)(4), relative to child support; to provide relative to the venue for a modification of child support; to provide for the parish where the person awarded support is domiciled; to provide for the registration of the support award; to provide relative to the crime of failure to pay child support obligation; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Code of Civil Procedure Article 74.2(C)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Art. 74.2. Custody proceedings; support; forum non conveniens

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C. A proceeding for modification of support may be brought in any of the following:

(1) The parish where the person awarded support is domiciled if the award has been registered in that parish pursuant to the provisions of Article 2785 et seq., regardless of the provisions of Article 2786(A) relative to the domicile of the parties.

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Section 2. R.S. 14:75(B) and (C)(4) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§75. Failure to pay child support obligation

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B. It shall be unlawful for any obligor to intentionally fail to pay a support obligation for any child who resides in the state of Louisiana, if such obligation has

1 remained unpaid for a period longer than ~~one year six months~~ or is greater than five
2 ~~thousand dollars~~ two thousand five hundred dollars.

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4 (C)(1)

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6 (4) In any case in which restitution is made prior to the time of sentencing,
7 except for a second or subsequent offense, the court may suspend all or any portion
8 of the imposition or execution of the sentence otherwise required in this Subsection.

9 Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
10 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
11 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
12 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
13 effective on the day following such approval.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____