

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 April 2, 2019

3 **AS AMENDED**

4 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
5 BILL NO. 2346

6 By: Caldwell (Chad) of the  
7 House

8 and

9 Pugh of the Senate

10 **[ civil procedure - judgments - contempt punishment -  
11 maximum fine - effective date ]**

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 12 O.S. 2011, Section 850, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 850. The judge after the hearing provided herein may  
16 order any property of the judgment debtor, not exempt by law, in ~~his~~  
17 possession of the debtor or under ~~his~~ control of the debtor to be  
18 applied toward the satisfaction of the judgment, and may enforce the  
19 same by proceedings for contempt in case of refusal or disobedience.

20 The judge may further order the judgment debtor to pay to the  
21 judgment creditor or apply on the judgment in installments, such  
22 portion of ~~his~~ nonexempt income of the debtor, however or wherever  
23 earned or acquired, as the court may deem proper after due regard  
24 for any payments required to be made by the judgment debtor by

1 virtue of law or prior order of a court or under wage assignments  
2 outstanding. Where the judgment debtor claims or is proved to be  
3 rendering services to or employed by a relative or other person or  
4 by a corporation owned or controlled by a relative or other person,  
5 without salary or compensation, or at a salary or compensation so  
6 inadequate as to satisfy the court that such salary or compensation  
7 is merely colorable and designed to defraud or impede the creditors  
8 of such debtor, the court may direct such debtor to make payments on  
9 account of the judgment, in installments, based upon a reasonable  
10 value of the services rendered by such judgment debtor under ~~his~~  
11 said employment or upon said debtor's then earning ability. The  
12 court may, from time to time, modify an order made under this  
13 section upon application of either party upon notice to the other.  
14 A failure or neglect of the debtor to comply with an order of  
15 direction of the court, shall, upon conviction, be punished ~~as~~ for  
16 contempt and subject to a fine not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars  
17 (\$500.00) as provided in Section 566 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma  
18 Statutes.

19 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

20 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY  
21 April 2, 2019 - DO PASS AS AMENDED  
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