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HOUSE BILL 828

By Jones

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 5, relative to child support payments.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

Any partial or full child support payment that is collected by the department shall first be used to satisfy the obligor's child support obligation to the parent or guardian with custody of the child. Only after the amount owed to the parent or guardian has been satisfied shall the department use any remaining funds from the payment to satisfy the obligor's debt to the department or for the payment of fees associated with the collection of child support.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it.