

SENATE BILL 2774

By Bowling

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 5, Part 7 and Title 55, Chapter 50, relative to noncompliance with child support obligations.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 5, Part 7, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

36-5-715.

(a) Notwithstanding another law to the contrary, the department shall provide the department of safety with written or electronic data exchange confirmation that an obligor whose commercial driver license was suspended or revoked solely for noncompliance with an order of support is in reasonable compliance with an order of support if the obligor submits documentation, to the department's satisfaction, showing that:

(1) The obligor is employed in a position requiring the operation of a commercial motor vehicle;

(2) The employment endeavor can reasonably be expected to contribute to bringing the obligor into compliance with the support order in a timely manner; and

(3) The amount of current child support, including arrears, is directed to be withheld from the obligor's income or other compensation received from the obligor's source of employment.

(b) Upon receipt of the confirmation of reasonable compliance pursuant to subsection (a), the department of safety shall withdraw the suspension or revocation of

the obligor's commercial driver license and reinstate the license in accordance with the requirements of § 36-5-707(b).

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2024, the public welfare requiring it.