Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly, State of North Dakota, begun in the Capitol in the City of Bismarck, on Tuesday, the fifth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine

SENATE BILL NO. 2288 (Senator W. Stenehjem) (Representatives Hoffner, R. Kelsch, Mahoney, Wentz)

AN ACT to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 14-08.1-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to treatment of child support arrears as judgments; and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Subsection 1 of section 14-08.1-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 1. Any order directing any payment or installment of money for the support of a child is, on and after the date it is due and unpaid:
 - a. A judgment by operation of law, with the full force, effect, and attributes of a judgment of the district court, and must be entered in the judgment docket, upon filing by the judgment creditor or the judgment creditor's assignee of a written request accompanied by a verified statement of arrearage or certified copy of the payment records of the clerk of district court maintained under section 14-09-08.1 and an affidavit of identification of the judgment debtor, and otherwise enforced as a judgment. The due and unpaid payments and any judgment entered in the judgment docket pursuant to this section are not subject to the statutes of limitations provided in chapter 28-01, nor may such judgment be canceled pursuant to section 28-20-35;
 - b. Entitled as a judgment to full faith and credit in any jurisdiction which otherwise affords full faith and credit to judgments of the district court; and
 - c. Not subject to retroactive modification.

SECTION 2. EMERGENCY. This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

President of the Senate Speaker of the House Secretary of the Senate Chief Clerk of the House This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2288 and that two-thirds of the members-elect of the Senate voted in favor of said law. 46 Nays 0 Vote: Yeas Absent 3 President of the Senate Secretary of the Senate This certifies that two-thirds of the members-elect of the House of Representatives voted in favor of said law. Vote: Yeas 98 Nays 0 Absent 0 Speaker of the House Chief Clerk of the House Received by the Governor at ______ M. on ______, 1999. Approved at ______ M. on ______ , 1999. Governor Filed in this office this ______ day of ______, 1999, at ____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State