

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1175

Page 1, line 1, after "chapter" insert "26.1 and a new section to chapter"

Page 1, line 9, after the first semicolon insert "to provide for a task force on child support enforcement;"

Page 4, after line 27, insert:

"SECTION 8. A new section to title 26.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Child support insurance data match. Before paying a claim under a contract of insurance issued in this state, an insurer or government self-insurance pool may exchange information about the claimant with the department of human services or its designee. This section applies notwithstanding any provision of law making the information confidential. A person is immune from suit or any liability under any federal or state law, including chapter 12.1-13 or 44-04, for acting in good faith under this section. The court shall award reasonable attorney's fees and costs against any person that commences an action that is subsequently dismissed by reason of the immunity granted by this section."

Page 6, line 10, remove "on a one-time or ongoing basis"

Page 8, line 1, remove "and" and after "numbers" insert ", and other requested relevant income or asset information"

Page 8, line 6, after "subpoena" insert "if requested"

Page 11, after line 28, insert:

"SECTION 18. CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE. The department of human services shall convene a child support enforcement task force to study the interaction of the business community and the child support enforcement program. The task force must include two members of the legislative assembly appointed by the chairman of the legislative council. The department shall extend invitations to representatives from the financial and insurance industries, employers, public utilities, and other business interests. The study must include strategies for encouraging voluntary participation in electronic data matches, the feasibility and desirability of mandatory data matches or mandatory electronic transfer of information, the identification of potential sources of income and asset information regarding child support obligors, the creation of a lien registry for property owned by a delinquent child support obligor, and the development of procedures for conducting data matches that are secure and limited to the information needed to assist in the establishment and enforcement of child support and medical support orders. The department of human services shall present the findings and recommendations of the task force, together with

any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-second legislative assembly."

Page 11, line 29, replace "13" with "14" and replace "14" with "15"

Renumber accordingly