Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2288

Introduced by

Senator W. Stenehjem

Representatives Hoffner, R. Kelsch, Mahoney, Wentz

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 14-08.1-05 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to treatment of child support arrears as judgments; and to declare an
- 3 emergency.

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4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 1 of section 14-08.1-05 of the North Dakota 6 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, may not be discharged in bankruptcy and 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.
- 23 **SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.