of the defendant cr after conviction, instead of or in addition to imposing the punishment provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection, the court, in its discretion, having regard to the circumstances and financial ability of the defendant, may rass an order that, subject to change by the court from time to time as the circumstances require, directs the defendant to pay a certain sum weekly for the space of three years to the person or institution having custody of the minor child or children or, if the division BUREAU of child support enforcement AND DOMESTIC COLLECTIONS of the Social Services Administration has received an assignment under Article 88A, § 48, to the Division BUREAU. If there is an agreement with respect to such child or children, the court may pass an order directing that the defendant adhere to the provisions of the agreement for child support and make payments under the agreement to the recipient designated therein. Payments under this section shall be made to the [Division of Parole and Probation] DIVISION OF CHILD SUFFORT AND DOMESTIC COLLECTIONS BUREAU OF SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION OF to the clerk of court cr to such other public agency as may be responsible for keeping accounts. Such agency promptly shall forward the payment to the person having custody of the minor child or children or to the division BUREAU of child support enforcement, as specified in the order. If the court passes the order, the court may release the defendant from custody on probation for the space of three years upon his or her entering into a recognizance in sum as the court shall direct, with or without sureties. Any such order shall constitute a lien on the earnings of the defendant. The employer is required to deduct the amount of such decree as soon as notified by the Division of Parele-and Probation BUREAU OF SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT OR DESIGNATED LCCAL AGENCY and to pay all deductions directly to the [notifying agency] DIVISION -OF CHILD -SUPPORT AND DEMESTIC -- COLLECTIONS EUREAU OF SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION OR THE LOCALLY DESIGNATED AGENCY FOR THE COLLECTION OF DOMESTIC SUPPORT PAYMENTS. The condition of the recognizance shall be such that if the defendant shall make his or her personal appearance at the whenever ordered to do so within the three years and shall further comply with the terms of the order, or of any subsequent modification of the order, then the recognizance shall be void, otherwise of full force and effect. court he satisfied by information and due proof under oath, at any time during the three years, that the defendant has violated the terms of the order, the court immediately may proceed to the trial of the defendant under the original indictment or sentence him or her under the original conviction, as the case may be. In the case of forfeiture recognizance and enforcement of it by execution, the of a sum recovered, in the discretion of the court, may be paid in whole or in part to the person or institution having custody of the minor child or children or to the division BUREAU of child support enforcement.

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