

(Senate Bill 255)

AN ACT concerning

Unemployment Insurance - Child Support Obligations

FOR the purpose of providing that certain child support obligations being enforced by a State or local child support agency in accordance with the Federal Social Security Act shall be deducted and withheld from unemployment insurance benefits under certain circumstances; requiring that the amount deducted and withheld be paid to the appropriate child support enforcement agency; requiring the child support enforcement agency to pay certain administrative costs; requiring each claimant to disclose certain information; and making provisions of this Act severable.

BY adding to

Article 95A - Unemployment Insurance Law
Section 5A
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1979 Replacement Volume and 1981 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland read(s) as follows:

Article 95A - Unemployment Insurance Law

5A.

(A) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:

(1) "CHILD SUPPORT OBLIGATIONS" MEANS OBLIGATIONS WHICH ARE BEING ENFORCED PURSUANT TO A PLAN DESCRIBED IN SECTION 454 OF THE FEDERAL SOCIAL SECURITY ACT WHICH HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE U.S. SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PURSUANT TO PART D OF TITLE IV OF THE FEDERAL SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.

(2) "STATE OR LOCAL CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY" MEANS ANY AGENCY OF A STATE OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF OPERATING PURSUANT TO A PLAN DESCRIBED IN SECTION 454 OF THE FEDERAL SOCIAL SECURITY ACT AND WHICH HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE U.S. SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PURSUANT TO PART D OF TITLE IV OF THE FEDERAL SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.

(B) ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO FILES A NEW CLAIM FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS SHALL DISCLOSE WHETHER OR NOT HE OWES CHILD SUPPORT OBLIGATIONS.