

evidence to the Administration to execute an affidavit of support; establishing that a subsequently executed affidavit of support supersedes a pre-existing child support order, except under certain circumstances; requiring the courts in this State to recognize an affidavit of support issued by the Administration as a child support order; establishing that an executed affidavit of support does not preclude certain subsequent proceedings; defining certain terms; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to child support enforcement.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 10–302

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2004 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 10–1A–01 through 10–1A–03, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle
“Subtitle 1A. Affidavit of Support”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2004 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Family Law

10–302.

The circuit courts, AND THE ADMINISTRATION, IN THE CONTEXT OF AN AFFIDAVIT OF SUPPORT, are the tribunals of this State.

SUBTITLE 1A. AFFIDAVIT OF SUPPORT.

10–1A–01.

(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) “CHILD SUPPORT ORDER” MEANS:

- (1) ANY SUPPORT ORDER FOR A CHILD ISSUED BY A TRIBUNAL; OR
- (2) AN EXECUTED AFFIDAVIT OF SUPPORT ~~FILED WITH THE COURT.~~

(C) “PARTY” MEANS:

- (1) THE LEGAL PARENT OF A CHILD;
- (2) A CARETAKER WITH WHOM THE CHILD RESIDES; OR
- (3) THE ADMINISTRATION WHEN: