Approved May 26, 2005.

CHAPTER 595

(House Bill 1181)

AN ACT concerning

Family Law - Child Support - Suspension of Enforcement Settlement of Arrearages

FOR the purpose of authorizing a child support obligor to apply to the Child Support Enforcement Administration to suspend, for a certain period of time, the collection of an arrearage in child support payments under certain circumstances; requiring the Administration to suspend, for a certain period of time, the collection of an arrearage in child support payments under certain eireumstances; authorizing the Administration to refuse to suspend the collection of an arrearage in child support payments under certain circumstances; prohibiting the Administration from suspending the collection of an arrearage in child support payments except under certain circumstances; authorizing an obligor to reapply to the Administration to suspend the collection of an arrearage in child support payments under certain circumstances; establishing a presumption that it is in the best interest of the State for the Child Support Enforcement Administration to accept in full settlement of an arrearage in child support payments an amount that is less than the total arrearage under certain circumstances; requiring the Administration to notify a child support obligor of a certain decision of the Administration and the obligor's right to appeal the decision; establishing certain appeal procedures under this Act; authorizing the Secretary of Human Resources, in cooperation with the Office of Administrative Hearings, to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Administration to conduct a certain study and submit a certain report on or before a certain date; and generally relating to child support.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Family Law

Section 10-112

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2004 Replacement Volume)

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

Article - Family Law

10-112.

(a) (1) If the Administration considers it to be in the best interest of this State, in a case in which an assignment has been made under Article 88A, § 50(b)(2)