

(1991 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

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

**Article – Family Law**

10-110.

~~(a) (1) The Administration may collect fees to defray the costs of providing support [enforcement] services.~~

~~(2) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY CHARGE AN INITIAL APPLICATION FEE FOR SUPPORT SERVICES.~~

~~[(b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, a fee charged to defray the costs of providing support enforcement services may not be deducted from the child support payment.~~

~~(2)] (4) A fee may be deducted from the child support payment to defray the cost of providing support enforcement services under:~~

- ~~(i) the Income Tax Refund Intercept Program under this subtitle; and~~
- ~~(ii) the Federal Tax Refund Offset Program.~~

(a) The Administration may [collect fees to defray the costs of providing support enforcement services.

(b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, a fee charged to defray the costs of providing support enforcement services may not be deducted from the child support payment.

(2) A fee may be deducted]:

(1) CHARGE AN INITIAL APPLICATION FEE OF NOT MORE THAN \$25 FOR SUPPORT SERVICES; AND

(2) DEDUCT from the child support payment to defray the cost of providing support enforcement services under:

- (i) the Income Tax Refund Intercept Program under this subtitle; and
- (ii) the Federal Tax Refund Offset Program.

(B) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE ADMINISTRATION MAY NOT:

- (1) COLLECT FEES FROM THE CHILD SUPPORT OBLIGEE; OR
- (2) DEDUCT FEES FROM THE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1994.