criteria for participation in the Program; requiring the Administration to consider certain factors in determining whether to authorize a child support obligor to participate in the Program; establishing a certain presumption; requiring the Administration to reduce certain child support arrearages under certain circumstances; requiring that certain child support enforcement actions be suspended except under certain circumstances; requiring the Administration to take certain actions; establishing that a Program agreement is effective without the necessity of judicial approval; requiring that a Program agreement be terminated under certain circumstances; prohibiting a certain obligor from future participation in the Program under certain circumstances; establishing certain appeal procedures; requiring the Administration and local support enforcement offices to jointly develop a certain public awareness campaign; authorizing the Secretary of Human Resources to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Administration to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the Child Support Payment Incentive Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, Article – Family Law Section 10–112 Annotated Code of Maryland (2006 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – Family Law Section 10–112.1 Annotated Code of Maryland (2006 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) Subject to the best interest of the child, 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) of the Code, the Administration may accept in full settlement of an arrearage in child support payments an amount that is less than the total arrearage.
- (2) On request of the Administration, a court may approve by order an amount that is less than the total arrearage as full settlement of the arrearage.