

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Texas law provides for the accrual of interest on unpaid child support. Under certain conditions, interest may accrue while the obligor is making timely child-support payments under an employer child-support withholding order. This bill would provide for the accrual of interest on child support payments that are not received before the date an amount equal to the child support payable for one month becomes due.

PURPOSE

As proposed, C.S.H.B. 2421 provides for the accrual of interest on child support payments that are not received before the date an amount equal to the child support payable for one month becomes due.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 157.265(a), Family Code, to provide that interest accrues on the portion of delinquent child support that is greater than the amount of the monthly periodic support obligation at the rate of 12 percent during a specified time period.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 157.266(a), Family Code, to provide that a child support payment is delinquent for the purpose of accrual of interest if the payment is not received before the 31st day after the payment date stated in the order by a state disbursement unit.

SECTION 2. Effective date: January 1, 2000.
Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.