

LINDA LINGLE GOVERNOR GOV. MSG. NO. 562

April 27, 2006

The Honorable Robert Bunda, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 003 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on April 27, 2006, the following bill was signed into law:

HB2287 HD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT. (ACT 43)

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

ACT 043

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2006 STATE OF HAWAII H.B. NO. 42287 H.D. 1

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECT	ION 1. Section 576D-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by	y amending the definition of "compliance with an order
3	of support	t" to read as follows:
4	""Cor	mpliance with an order of support" means that an
5	obligor:	
6	(1)	Is not delinquent in payments in an amount equal to or
7		greater than the sum of payments for child support for
8		a three-month period with regard to driver's licenses
9		and recreational licenses and a six-month period with
10		regard to professional and vocational licenses;
11	[-(2)	Is not delinquent in making periodic payments on a
12		support arrearage pursuant to a written agreement with
13		the child support enforcement agency under section
14		<del>576D-13(d);</del> ] or
15	[ <del>(3)</del> ]	(2) Has obtained or maintained health insurance
16		coverage as required by a child support order."
17	SECT	ION 2. Section 576D-13, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
18	amended to	o read as follows:

"§576D-13 Suspension or denial of licenses. (a) Upon a 1 determination that an obligor is not in compliance with an order 2 of support as defined in section 576D-1 or that an individual 3 failed to comply with a subpoena or warrant relating to a 4 paternity or child support proceeding, and that the obligor or 5 individual is the holder of or an applicant for a license issued 6 by a licensing authority in this State, the agency shall serve 7 notice upon the obligor or individual of the agency's intent to 8 certify the obligor or individual as noncompliant with an order 9 of support or a subpoena or warrant relating to a paternity or 10 child support proceeding, which shall direct the appropriate 11 licensing authority to deny or suspend the license, or to deny 12 13 the application for renewal, reinstatement, or restoration of 14 such license. 15 The notice shall be sent by regular mail to both the last known address of record of the obligor or individual as 16 shown in the records of the licensing authority and the address **17** of record of the obligor or individual as shown in the agency's 18 child support record. For purposes of this section, the date of 19 20 service means two days following the date of mailing. notice shall contain the following information: 21

1	( 1 )	Identification of the license, certificate, permit, or
2		registration subject to suspension, nonrenewal,
3		nonreinstatement, nonrestoration, or denial;
4	(2)	The name, social security number, if available, date
5		of birth, if known, and each applicable child support
6		case number or numbers of the obligor or individual;
7	(3)	The amount of the arrears, the amount of the monthly
8		child support obligation, and reference to the support
9		order upon which the support amount and arrears are
10		based or the subpoena or warrant that the individual
11		has failed to comply with;
12	(4)	A statement that the obligor or individual may contest
13		the suspension, nonrenewal, nonreinstatement,
14		nonrestoration, or denial of a license by requesting a
15		hearing in writing within thirty days of the date of
16		service of the notice of intent to suspend, not renew,
17		not reinstate, not restore, or deny the license;
18	(5)	A statement that the obligor may contact the agency in
19		writing within thirty days of the date of service of
20		the notice and enter into a monthly payment agreement
21		for the arrears owed, and if an agreement is entered
22		into within thirty days of making contact with the

1		agency, the agency shall not pursue the suspension,
2		nonrenewal, nonreinstatement, nonrestoration, or
3		denial of the license;
4	(6)	A statement that an individual not in compliance with
5		a subpoena or warrant relating to a paternity or child
6		support proceeding may contact the agency in writing
7		within thirty days of the date of service of the
8		notice and enter into an agreement to provide the
9		information or appear at the proceedings, and if so,
10		the agency shall not pursue the suspension,
11		nonrenewal, nonreinstatement, nonrestoration, or
12		denial of the license; and
13	(7)	A statement that if the obligor or individual makes a
14		timely request as specified in paragraph (4), the
15		agency shall stay the action until a decision is made.
16	(c)	[If the obligor or individual: The agency shall
17	certify in	n writing to the licensing authority that the obligor
18	is not in	compliance with an order of support, or that the
19	individua	l is not in compliance with a subpoena or warrant
20	relating	to a paternity or child support proceeding, and shall
21	authorize	the immediate suspension, nonrenewal,
22	nonreinst	atement, nonrestoration, or denial of any license held

1	or applied for by the obligor or individual if the obligor or		
2	<pre>individual:</pre>		
3	(1)	Fails to contact the agency in writing within thirty	
4		days of the date of service of the notice;	
5	(2)	Is not in compliance with an order of support, or	
6		failed to comply with a subpoena or warrant relating	
7		to a paternity or child support proceeding, and does	
8		not timely enter into an agreement under subsection	
9		(d); or	
10	(3)	[If the office issues a decision that the obligor or	
11		an individual is not in compliance with an order of	
12		support or has failed to comply with a subpoena or	
13		warrant relating to a paternity or child support	
14		proceeding, the agency shall certify in writing to the	
15		licensing authority that the obligor is not in	
16		compliance with an order of support or that the	
17		individual is not in compliance with a subpoena or	
18		warrant relating to a paternity or child support	
19		proceeding, and shall authorize the immediate	
20		suspension, nonrenewal, nonreinstatement,	
21		nonrestoration, or denial of any license held or	
22		applied for by the obliger or individual. Is	

1	delinquent in making periodic payments on a support
2	arrearage pursuant to a written agreement with the
3	child support enforcement agency under subsection (d).
4	The agency shall provide a copy of the certification to the
5	obligor or individual. Upon receipt of the certification, the
6	licensing authority shall suspend any license that the obligor
7	or individual holds or deny any license for which the obligor or
8	individual applies without further review or hearing concerning
9	the suspension, nonrenewal, nonreinstatement, nonrestoration, or
10	denial. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law setting
11	terms of suspension, revocation, denial, termination, or
12	renewal, reinstatement, or restoration of a license, a
13	certification issued by the agency suspending, not renewing, not
14	reinstating, not restoring, or denying a license shall be
15	implemented by the licensing authority and continue in effect
16	until the licensing authority receives a written release of
17	suspension or denial from the agency, the office of child
18	support hearings, or the family court.
19	(d) The obligor may enter into a payment agreement with
20	the agency if the obligor makes contact with the agency within
21	thirty days of the date of service of the notice, or the
22	individual may either enter into an agreement to provide the

- 1 information requested in the subpoena or appear at the
- proceeding required by the warrant.
- 3 (e) If the obligor or the individual requests an
- 4 administrative hearing in writing within thirty days of the date
- 5 of service of the notice as provided in subsection (b), the
- 6 office shall schedule a hearing to determine whether the obligor
- 7 is not in compliance with a support order or whether the
- 8 individual is not in compliance with a subpoena or warrant
- 9 relating to a paternity or child support proceeding. The
- 10 hearing shall be conducted in accordance with chapters 91 and
- 11 576E. The issues before the hearings officer shall be limited
- 12 to whether the obligor is in compliance with an order of support
- 13 or whether the individual is in compliance with a subpoena or
- 14 warrant relating to a paternity or child support proceeding.
- 15 The hearings officer shall issue a written decision within ten
- 16 days of the hearing. If the hearings officer decides that the
- 17 obligor is not in compliance with a support order or that the
- 18 individual is not in compliance with a subpoena or warrant
- 19 relating to a paternity or child support proceeding, the license
- 20 held or applied for by the obligor or individual shall be denied
- 21 or suspended and shall not be renewed, reinstated, or restored.

1 The decision of the hearings officer shall be final 2 and shall be subject to judicial review as provided in chapter 91. Any suspension or denial under this section shall not be 3 4 stayed pending judicial review. 5 Upon receipt of the decision of the hearings officer 6 that the obligor is not in compliance with a support order or 7 that the individual is not in compliance with a subpoena or 8 warrant relating to a paternity or child support proceeding, the 9 agency shall certify in writing to the licensing authority that the obligor is not in compliance with an order of support, or 10 11 that the individual is not in compliance with a subpoena or 12 warrant relating to a paternity or child support proceeding, and 13 shall authorize the immediate suspension, nonrenewal, 14 nonreinstatement, nonrestoration, or denial of any license held 15 or applied for by the obligor or individual. The agency shall 16 provide a copy of the certification to the obligor or 17 individual. Upon receipt of the certification, the licensing 18 authority shall suspend any license that the obligor or individual holds or deny any license for which the obligor or 19 individual applies without further review or hearing concerning 20 21 the suspension, nonrenewal, nonreinstatement, nonrestoration, or 22 denial. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law setting

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         [<del>(g)</del>] (h) When the conditions [which] that resulted in the
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    suspension, nonrenewal, nonreinstatement, nonrestoration, or
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    denial no longer exist, the agency shall provide the obligor or
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    individual with written confirmation that the obligor is in
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    compliance with the order of support or that the individual is
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    in compliance with the subpoena or warrant relating to a
    paternity or child support proceeding, and the agency, office,
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    or the family court shall issue an authorization canceling the
    certification in writing to the licensing authority.
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         [<del>(h)</del>] (i) If a license is suspended or denied under this
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    section, any funds paid by the obligor or individual to the
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    licensing authority shall not be refunded by the licensing
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    authority, and the licensing authority may charge a fee for
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reinstating or restoring a license. The licensing authority may

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- 1 also charge the obligor or individual a reasonable fee to cover
- 2 the administrative costs incurred by the licensing authority in
- 3 complying with this section.
- 4 [(i)] (j) The agency shall adopt rules necessary for the
- 5 implementation and administration of this section. The
- 6 licensing authority shall adopt rules necessary for the
- 7 implementation and administration of this section. The
- 8 appropriate licensing authority shall require that the social
- 9 security number of any applicant for a professional license,
- 10 driver's license, occupational license, recreational license, or
- 11 marriage license be recorded on the application for those
- 12 licenses. The social security number shall be used solely for
- 13 purposes of this chapter for child support enforcement and
- 14 identification."
- 15 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 16 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 17 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 27 day of APR , 2006

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

HB No. 2287, HD 1

## THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: February 21, 2006

Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill on this day passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives of the Twenty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006.

Calvin K.Y. Say

Speaker

House of Representatives

Patricia Mau-Shimizu Chief Clerk House of Representatives

## THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 11, 2006 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill on this day passed Third Reading in the Senate of the Twenty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006.

Robert Bunda

President of the Senate

Paul Kawaguchi

Clerk of the Senate