ACT 48

H.B. NO. 527

A Bill for an Act Relating to Interstate Family Support.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 576B-101, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending the definition of "registering tribunal" to read as follows:

""Registering tribunal" means a wibunal <u>of the state</u> in which a support order is registered. The child support enforcement agency of this State shall be deemed the registering tribunal for the receipt and processing of all registration requested by another child support enforcement agency or an individual who has applied for child support enforcement agency services, and the child support enforcement agency of this State shall register the request in the appropriate tribunal. The family court shall be the registering tribunal for all other requests for registration."

SECTION 2. Section 576B-606, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (d) as follows:

"(d) For the purposes of this section, service of the notice [shall_be_by personal_service_or_certified_mail, return receipt_requested_After initial_service_is effected, additional_service_upon_a party,] of a hearing regarding the validity or enforcement of the registered order, shall be satisfied by regular mail to the party's last known address. In any child support enforcement proceedings subsequent to an order, upon a showing that diligent effort has been made to ascertain the location of a party, notice of service of process shall be presumed to be satisfied upon delivery of written notice to the most recent residential or employer address on file with the state case registry."

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved April 26, 2001.)