

SB 822 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Judiciary

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Allows any child support arrearage that accrued under a judgment that is terminated by a later-issued child support judgment, to be subsumed by the later-issued judgment. Specifies that arrearage is enforceable in the court case for the later-issued judgment.

Senate Judiciary and Ballot Measure 110 Implementation Committee Vote (Aye, Nay, Excused, Absent) 4-3-0-0

Third reading. Carried by Dembrow. Passed. Ayes, 26; Nays, 1--Boquist; Excused, 3--Heard, Patterson, Thatcher.

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Currently, when a new child support order is created to modify a previous child support order, and the new order doesn't explicitly address the earlier order, the debt from the earlier judgment must be enforced separately from and in addition to the debt owed under the newer judgment.

Senate Bill 822 allows the related child support debts to be consolidated into one court case.