1-1	By: West S.B. No. 286
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1-18	COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 286 By: Schwertner
1-19	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
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1_01	relating to guite affecting the naront-child relationship and the
1-21 1-22	relating to suits affecting the parent-child relationship and the calculation and enforcement of child support.
1-23	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-24	SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 8, Family Code, is amended
1-25	by adding Section 8.062 to read as follows:
1-26	Sec. 8.062. PLACE OF PAYMENT. If an obligor is ordered to
1-27	pay an obligee maintenance under this chapter and child support
1-28 1-29	under Chapter 154, the court shall order the payment of maintenance
1-29	to the state disbursement unit as provided by Chapter 234. SECTION 2. Subchapter B, Chapter 154, Family Code, is
1-31	amended by adding Section 154.0655 to read as follows:
1-32	Sec. 154.0655. IMPUTATION OF INCOME. (a) In this section,
1-33	"resources" has the meaning assigned by Section 154.062(b).
1-34	(b) To the extent possible, the court shall rely on evidence
1-35	of a party's resources when applying the support guidelines.
1-36 1-37	(c) In the absence of evidence of a party's resources, the court, when applying Section 154.066 or 154.068, shall consider
1-37	relevant background circumstances regarding the obligor,
1-39	including:
1-40	(1) the obligor's:
1-41	(A) assets;
1-42	(B) residence;
1-43 1-44	(C) employment;
1 <b>-</b> 44 1 <b>-</b> 45	(D) earnings history; (E) job skills;
1-46	(F) educational attainment;
1-47	(G) literacy;
1-48	(H) age;
1-49	(I) health;
1-50	(J) criminal history;
1-51	(K) barriers to employment; and
1 <b>-</b> 52 1 <b>-</b> 53	<pre>(L) record of seeking work; (2) job opportunities in the obligor's community;</pre>
1 <b>-</b> 53	(3) the prevailing wage in the obligor's community;
1-55	and
1-56	(4) whether there are employers willing to hire the
1-57	obligor.
1-58	SECTION 3. Section 154.066, Family Code, is amended by
1-59	adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:
1-60	(c) The court may not consider incarceration as intentional

C.S.S.B. No. 286 unemployment or underemployment when establishing or modifying a 2-1 2-2

support order. SECTION 4. Section 154.125, Family Code, is amended to read 2-3 as follows: 2-4

Sec. 154.125. APPLICATION OF GUIDELINES TO NET RESOURCES. 2-5 The guidelines for the support of a child in this section are 2-6 (a) 2-7 specifically designed to apply to situations in which the obligor's 2-8 monthly net resources are not greater than the maximum amount of net resources to which the statutory guidelines are applicable, as most recently published by the Title IV-D agency in the Texas Register [\$7,500 or the adjusted amount determined under Subsection (a-1), 2-9 2-10 2-11 2-12 whichever is greater].

(a-1) The [dollar] amount prescribed by Subsection (a) is 2-13 2-14 adjusted every six years as necessary to reflect inflation. The 2**-**15 2**-**16 Title IV-D agency shall compute the adjusted amount, to take effect beginning September 1 of the year of the adjustment, based on the percentage change in the consumer price index during the 72-month 2-17 period preceding March 1 of the year of the adjustment, as rounded 2-18 to the nearest \$50 increment. The Title IV-D agency shall publish 2-19 2-20 2-21 the adjusted amount in the Texas Register before September 1 of the year in which the adjustment takes effect. For purposes of this subsection, "consumer price index" has the meaning assigned by 2-22 Section 341.201, Finance Code. 2-23

(b) If the obligor's monthly net resources are not greater 2-24 2**-**25 2**-**26 than the amount <u>described</u> [provided] by Subsection (a) <u>and the</u> obligor's monthly net resources are equal to or greater than the amount described by Subsection (c), the court shall presumptively 2-27 2-28 apply the following schedule in rendering the child support order: 2-29

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2-29	CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINES							
2-30	BASED ON THE MONTHLY NET RESOURCES OF THE OBLIGOR							
2-31	1 child 20% of Obligor's Net Resources							
2-32	2 child		2	5% of Ob	ligor's	Net Reso	ources	
2-33	3 child		J% of Ob∶					
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2-46	5 children 35% of Obligor's Net Resources							
2-47	6+ children Not less than the amount for 5 childre						ildren	
2-48	SECTION 5. Section 154.129, Family Code, is amended to read							
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3-2 3-3	(b) If the obligor's monthly net resources are less than the
3-3 3-4	amount described by Section 154.125(c), in lieu of performing the computation under the preceding section, the court may determine
3-5	the child support amount for the children before the court by
3-6	applying the percentages in the table below to the obligor's net
3 <b>-</b> 7 3 <b>-</b> 8	resources: LOW-INCOME MULTIPLE FAMILY ADJUSTED GUIDELINES
3-9	(% OF NET RESOURCES)
3-10	Number of children before the court
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3-19 3-20	support 7 10.41 14.56 18.88 23.32 27.85 28.40 28.88   SECTION 6. Section 156.401, Family Code, is amended by
3-20 3 <b>-</b> 21	adding Subsection (c-1) to read as follows:
3-22	(c-1) Incarceration of a child support obligor in a local,
3 <b>-</b> 23 3 <b>-</b> 24	state, or federal jail or prison for a period exceeding 180 days is a material and substantial change of circumstances for the purposes
3-24 3-25	of this section.
3-26	SECTION 7. Section 157.005(b), Family Code, is amended to
3-27 3-28	read as follows: (b) The court retains jurisdiction to confirm the total
3-29	amount of child support, medical support, and dental support
3-30	arrearages and render [ <del>a</del> ] cumulative money judgments [judgment] for
3-31 3-32	past-due child support, medical support, and dental support, as provided by Section 157.263, if a motion for enforcement requesting
3-33	a [cumulative] money judgment is filed not later than the 10th
3 <b>-</b> 34 3 <b>-</b> 35	anniversary after the date: (1) the child becomes an adult; or
3-36	(2) on which the child support obligation terminates
3-37	under the child support order or by operation of law.
3-38 3-39	SECTION 8. Section 157.263, Family Code, is amended by amending Subsections (a), (b), and (b-1) and adding Subsections
3-40	(b-2) and (b-3) to read as follows:
3-41 3-42	(a) If a motion for enforcement of child support requests a
3-42 3 <b>-</b> 43	money judgment for arrearages, the court shall confirm the amount of arrearages and render [one] cumulative money judgments as
3-44	follows:
3 <b>-</b> 45 3 <b>-</b> 46	(1) a cumulative money judgment for the amount of child support owed under Subsection (b);
3-47	(2) a cumulative money judgment for the amount of
3 <b>-</b> 48 3 <b>-</b> 49	<pre>medical support owed under Subsection (b-1); and</pre>
3-49 3 <b>-</b> 50	(3) a cumulative money judgment for the amount of dental support owed under Subsection (b-2) [judgment].
3-51	(b) A cumulative money judgment for the amount of child
3 <b>-</b> 52 3 <b>-</b> 53	<pre>support owed includes:</pre>
3-54	(2) the balance owed on previously confirmed child
3-55	support arrearages or lump sum or retroactive child support
3 <b>-</b> 56 3 <b>-</b> 57	judgments; (3) interest on the child support arrearages; and
3-58	(4) a statement that it is a cumulative judgment for
3-59	the amount of child support owed.
3-60 3-61	<pre>(b-1) A cumulative money judgment for the amount of medical support owed includes:</pre>
3-62	(1) unpaid medical support not previously confirmed;
3 <b>-</b> 63 3 <b>-</b> 64	(2) the balance owed on previously confirmed medical support arrearages or lump sum or retroactive medical support
3 <b>-</b> 64 3 <b>-</b> 65	judgments;
3-66	(3) interest on the medical support arrearages; and
3 <b>-</b> 67 3 <b>-</b> 68	(4) a statement that it is a cumulative judgment for the amount of medical support owed.
3-69	(b-2) A cumulative money judgment for the amount of dental

C.S.S.B. No. 286 4-1 support owed includes: 4-2 (1)unpaid dental support not previously confirmed; 4-3 (2)the balance owed on previously confirmed dental 4-4 arrearages or lump sum or retroactive dental support support 4**-**5 4**-**6 judgments; (3)interest on the dental support arrearages; and 4-7 (4) a statement that it is a cumulative judgment for 4-8 the amount of dental support owed. 4-9 (b-3) In rendering a money judgment under this section, the 4-10 4-11 court may not reduce or modify the amount of child support, medical support, or dental support arrearages but, in confirming the amount of arrearages, may allow a counterclaim or offset as provided by 4-12 4-13 this title. 4-14 SECTION 9. Section 159.605(b), Family Code, is amended to 4**-**15 4**-**16 read as follows: (b) A notice must inform the nonregistering party: 4-17 (1) that a registered order is enforceable as of the date of registration in the same manner as an order issued by a 4-18 tribunal of this state; 4-19 4-20 4-21 (2) that a hearing to contest the validity or enforcement of the registered order must be requested within 30 4-22 [20] days after notice unless the registered order is under Section 4-23 159.707; (3) that failure to contest the validity or enforcement of the registered order in a timely manner will result in confirmation of the order and enforcement of the order and the 4-24 4**-**25 4**-**26 4-27 alleged arrearages; and (4) of the amount of any alleged arrearages. 4-28 4-29 SECTION 10. Section 234.007(a), Family Code, is amended to 4-30 4-31 read as follows: (a) A court that orders <u>a party to pay</u> [income to be withheld for] child support <u>under a temporary or final order</u> shall order that 4-32 all [income ordered withheld for] child support payments [shall] be 4-33 4-34 paid through [to] the state disbursement unit, including any child support that the court orders an employer to withhold from the income of the obligor. 4-35 4-36 SECTION 11. Section 240.009, Property Code, is amended by 4-37 4-38 adding Subsection (e) to read as follows: (e) A disclaimer of an interest in property made by an individual must contain a sworn statement regarding whether the disclaimant is a child support obligor whose disclaimer is barred under Section 240.151(g). 4-39 4-40 4-41 4-42 SECTION 12. The enactment of this Act does not constitute a 4-43 material and substantial change of circumstances sufficient to warrant modification of a court order or portion of a decree that provides for the support of a child rendered before the effective 4-44 4-45 4-46 4-47 date of this Act. 4-48 SECTION 13. (a) Section 8.062, Family Code, as added by this Act, applies only to a maintenance order rendered on or after the effective date of this Act. A maintenance order rendered before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the 4-49 4-50 4-51 date the order was rendered, and the former law is continued in 4-52 4-53 effect for that purpose. (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (a) of this section, an obligor subject to a maintenance order rendered before the effective date of this Act may choose to remit maintenance payments 4-54 4-55 4-56 4-57 to the state disbursement unit as provided by Chapter 234, Family 4-58 Code, and the state disbursement unit shall accept those payments. 4-59 SECTION 14. Section 154.0655, Family Code, as added by this Act, and Section 154.066, Family Code, as amended by this Act, apply only to a proceeding to establish or modify a child support 4-60 4-61 4-62 obligation that is pending in a trial court on or filed on or after 4-63 the effective date of this Act. SECTION 15. 4-64 The changes in law made by this Act to Sections 154.125 and 154.129, Family Code, apply to a suit affecting the parent-child relationship that is filed on or after the effective date of this Act. A suit filed before the effective date of this Act 4-65 4-66 4-67 is governed by the law in effect on the date that the suit is filed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. 4-68 4-69

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5-1 SECTION 16. Section 156.401, Family Code, as amended by 5-2 this Act, applies only to a suit for modification of a child support 5-3 order that is filed on or after the effective date of this Act. A 5-4 suit for modification that is filed before the effective date of 5-5 this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the suit was 5-6 filed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

5-7 SECTION 17. Section 157.263, Family Code, as amended by 5-8 this Act, applies only to a cumulative money judgment rendered on or 5-9 after the effective date of this Act. A judgment rendered before 5-10 the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect at 5-11 the time the judgment was rendered, and the former law is continued 5-12 in effect for that purpose.

5-13 SECTION 18. Section 159.605, Family Code, as amended by 5-14 this Act, applies only to a support order or income-withholding 5-15 order issued by a court of another state that is registered in this 5-16 state on or after the effective date of this Act. A support order or 5-17 income-withholding order that is registered in this state before 5-18 the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on 5-19 the date the order was registered, and the former law is continued 5-20 in effect for that purpose. 5-21 SECTION 19. Section 240.009, Property Code, as amended by

5-21 SECTION 19. Section 240.009, Property Code, as amended by 5-22 this Act, applies only to a disclaimer made on or after the 5-23 effective date of this Act. A disclaimer made before the effective 5-24 date of this Act is governed by the law in effect at the time the 5-25 disclaimer was made, and the former law is continued in effect for 5-26 that purpose.

5-27 SECTION 20. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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