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HOUSE BILL ***618-FN***

AN ACT relative to wage garnishment with child support payments.

SPONSORS: Rep. Spillane, Rock. 2; Rep. Edwards, Rock. 31; Rep. Notter, Hills. 12; Rep. DeSimone, Rock. 18

COMMITTEE: Children and Family Law

ANALYSIS

This bill adds restrictions to the circumstances for an income assignment.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics.***
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Three

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 New Paragraph; Assignment of Income; Notice to Parties. Amend RSA 458-B:2 by inserting after paragraph I the following new paragraph:

I-a. At the time of the hearing the court shall notify each party that their income assignment of wages for child support will be automatic under RSA 458-B:2 unless both parties come to an agreement under another arraignment.

2 New Paragraph; Income Assignment. Amend RSA 458-B:3 by inserting after paragraph I the following new paragraph:

I-a. The circuit court family division shall develop a standard form, which may be an addendum to the child support calculation form, to be presented prior to the temporary hearing for waiving of garnishment of wages, with such form containing the following:

(a) The details of when garnishment of wages will become mandatory.

(b) Allowing for both parties to detail their preferred form of payment arrangement.

(c) Informing the payer that record keeping to prove payments in the event of a discrepancy is their responsibility.

(d) Informing the payee how to report missed payments by the payer.

3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2025.

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HB 618-FN- FISCAL NOTE
AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE (AMENDMENT #2023-2396h)

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FISCAL IMPACT: [ ] State [ ] County [ ] Local [X] None

METHODOLOGY:

The Office of Legislative Budget Assistant states this bill, as amended, has no fiscal impact on state, county and local expenditures or revenue.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

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