

HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY

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BILL: CS/CS/SB 400
SPONSOR: Senator Horne
SUBJECT: Support of Dependents
PREPARED BY: Senate Committee on Children and Families
DATE: May 3, 2001

I. Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment 1 – 930887 (body with title)

II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment 1 removes everything from the bill after the enacting clause and inserts the House version of the bill. The differences provided for in the House amendment from the CS/CS/SB 400 are as follows:

- Includes intent language which expresses that the criminal penalties provided for in this section are to be pursued where appropriate civil enforcement has been exhausted and has not resulted in payment.
- Reduces the mandatory fines for the second and third convictions as follows:
 - The maximum fine for a second conviction is reduced from \$1,000 to \$750.
 - The fines for a third conviction are reduced from a minimum of \$1,000 and no more than \$1,500 to a minimum of \$750 and no more than \$1,000.
- Modifies the method of delivering the notification of commencement of prosecution from regular mail to certified mail.