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An act relating to support; amending ss. 61.14 and 742.031, F.S.; providing for the modification of temporary support orders; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (9) is added to section 61.14, Florida Statutes, as amended by chapter 2003-402, Laws of Florida, to read:

61.14 Enforcement and modification of support, maintenance, or alimony agreements or orders.--

(9)(a) A court may, upon good cause shown, and without a showing of a substantial change of circumstances, modify, vacate, or set aside a temporary support order before or upon entering a final order in a proceeding.

(b) The modification of the temporary support order may be retroactive to the date of the initial entry of the temporary support order; to the date of filing of the initial petition for dissolution of marriage, initial petition for support, initial petition determining paternity, or supplemental petition for modification; or to a date prescribed in paragraph (1)(a) or s. 61.30(11)(c) or (17), as applicable.

Section 2. Subsection (4) is added to section 742.031, Florida Statutes, to read:

742.031 Hearings; court orders for support, hospital expenses, and attorney's fee.--

(4)(a) A court may, upon good cause shown and without a showing of a substantial change of circumstances, modify,

1 vacate, or set aside a temporary support order before or upon
2 entering a final order in a proceeding.

3 (b) The modification of the temporary support order
4 may be retroactive to the date of the initial entry of the
5 temporary support order; to the date of filing of the initial
6 petition for dissolution of marriage, petition for support,
7 petition determining paternity, or supplemental petition for
8 modification; or to a date prescribed in s. 61.14(1)(a) or s.
9 61.30(11)(c) or (17), as applicable.

10 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.

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