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A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to spousal and child support; amending s. 3 61.13, F.S.; providing requirements for child support and 4 income deduction orders relating to termination of child 5 support; amending s. 61.14, F.S.; specifying how payments 6 on alimony or spousal support judgments shall be applied; 7 providing for enforcement of interest payments on child 8 support and alimony or spousal support judgments; 9 providing that interest not accrue on postjudgment 10 interest; amending s. 61.30, F.S.; specifying a definition relating to payment of child support varying from the 11 quideline amount whenever any of the children are required 12 13 by court order to spend a substantial amount of time with 14 either parent; requiring specified findings in order for a 15 court to impute income beyond minimum wage; prohibiting 16 use of certain factors in imputing income beyond minimum 17 wage unless a court makes specified findings; revising provisions relating to income tax calculations used in 18 19 determining net income; deleting certain net income amounts from the child support guidelines schedule; 20 21 providing that certain percentages used for combined 22 monthly net income greater than the amount set out in the 23 quidelines schedule shall not be used to determine child 24 support beyond the amount necessary to satisfy the 25 reasonable needs of the child or children; eliminating a 26 reduction in the child care cost added to the basic 27 support obligation; providing for determination of the 28 total minimum child support need; providing for payment of Page 1 of 29

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29	a parent's share of the minimum total child support need;											
30	deleting provisions relating to adjustment of a minimum											
31	child support award relating to the Internal Revenue											
32	Service dependency exemption; providing for adjustment of											
33	a party's minimum child support award when application of											
34	the child support guidelines leaves the party with a net											
35	income lower than the federal poverty guidelines; allowing											
36	a court to order a party to execute a waiver of the											
37	Internal Revenue Service dependency exemption for a child											
38	for good cause shown; amending s. 409.2563, F.S.; revising											
39	provisions relating to a presumption of minimum wage											
40	earning capacity for purposes of administrative support											
41	orders; amending s. 742.08, F.S.; providing for											
42	enforcement of interest payments on support judgments;											
43	providing that interest shall not accrue on postjudgment											
44	interest; providing an effective date.											
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46	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:											
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48	Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section											
49	61.13, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:											
50	61.13 Support of children; parenting and time-sharing;											
51	powers of court											
52	(1)(a) In a proceeding under this chapter, the court may											
53	at any time order either or both parents who owe a duty of											
54	support to a child to pay support to the other parent or, in the											
55	case of both parents, to the person with custody in accordance											
56	with the child support guidelines schedule in s. 61.30.											
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57 1. All child support orders and income deduction orders 58 entered on or after October 1, 2009, shall provide for the 59 following: 60 a. Termination of child support upon a child's 18th 61 birthday, unless the court finds or has previously found that s. 62 743.07(2) applies or unless otherwise agreed to by the parties. 63 A schedule, based upon the record existing at the time b. 64 of the order, stating the amount of the monthly child support 65 obligation for all the minor children at the time of the order 66 and the amount of child support that will be owed for the 67 remaining children for whom child support will continue when any 68 child is no longer entitled to receive child support under this 69 subparagraph. The month and year that the reduction or termination of 70 с. child support becomes effective. 71 72 2. Notwithstanding subparagraph 1., the court initially 73 entering an order requiring one or both parents to make child 74 support payments has continuing jurisdiction after the entry of 75 the initial order to modify the amount and terms and conditions 76 of the child support payments when the modification is found 77 necessary by the court in the best interests of the child, when 78 the child reaches majority, when there is a substantial change 79 in the circumstances of the parties, when s. 743.07(2) applies, 80 or when a child is emancipated, marries, joins the armed services, or dies. The court initially entering a child support 81 order has continuing jurisdiction to require the obligee to 82 report to the court on terms prescribed by the court regarding 83 84 the disposition of the child support payments.

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85 Section 2. Paragraph (d) of subsection (6) of section 86 61.14, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (12) is 87 added to that section, to read:

88 61.14 Enforcement and modification of support,
89 maintenance, or alimony agreements or orders.--

90 (6)

91 (d) The court shall hear the obligor's motion to contest 92 the impending judgment within 15 days after the date of filing 93 of the motion. Upon the court's denial of the obligor's motion, the amount of the delinquency and all other amounts that become 94 95 due, together with costs and a service charge of up to \$25, become a final judgment by operation of law against the obligor. 96 The depository shall charge interest at the rate established in 97 98 s. 55.03 on all judgments for support. Payments on judgments 99 shall be applied first to the current child support due, then to 100 any delinquent principal, and then to interest on the support 101 judgment. Payments on alimony or spousal support judgments shall 102 be applied first to the current alimony or spousal support due, 103 then to any delinquent principal, and then to interest on the 104 alimony or spousal support judgment.

105 (12) Interest on child support and alimony or spousal
 106 support judgments shall be enforceable through all of the
 107 methods available to enforce the underlying support order,
 108 including contempt. Interest shall not accrue on postjudgment
 109 interest.
 110 Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1), paragraph (b)
 111 of subsection (2), paragraph (a) of subsection (3), and

112 subsections (6), (7), (10), and (11) of section 61.30, Florida

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113 Statutes, are amended, and subsection (18) is added to that 114 section, to read:

115 61.30 Child support guidelines; retroactive child 116 support.--

117 The child support guideline amount as determined by (1) (a) 118 this section presumptively establishes the amount the trier of 119 fact shall order as child support in an initial proceeding for such support or in a proceeding for modification of an existing 120 121 order for such support, whether the proceeding arises under this 122 or another chapter. The trier of fact may order payment of child 123 support which varies, plus or minus 5 percent, from the 124 quideline amount, after considering all relevant factors, including the needs of the child or children, age, station in 125 126 life, standard of living, and the financial status and ability of each parent. The trier of fact may order payment of child 127 128 support in an amount which varies more than 5 percent from such 129 quideline amount only upon a written finding explaining why 130 ordering payment of such guideline amount would be unjust or 131 inappropriate. Notwithstanding the variance limitations of this 132 section, the trier of fact shall order payment of child support 133 which varies from the guideline amount as provided in paragraph 134 (11) (b) whenever any of the children are required by court order 135 or mediation agreement to spend a substantial amount of time with either parent as defined by subparagraph (11) (b)8. This 136 137 requirement applies to any living arrangement, whether temporary 138 or permanent.

139 (2) Income shall be determined on a monthly basis for each140 parent as follows:

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142	(b) $1$ . Income on a monthly basis shall be imputed to an								
143	unemployed or underemployed parent when such employment or								
144	underemployment is found by the court to be voluntary on that								
145	parent's part, absent a finding of fact by the court of physical								
146	or mental incapacity or other circumstances over which the								
147	parent has no control. In the event of such voluntary								
148	unemployment or underemployment, the employment potential and								
149	probable earnings level of the parent shall be determined based								
150	upon his or her recent work history, occupational								
151	qualifications, and prevailing earnings level in the community								
152	as provided in this paragraph; however, the court may refuse to								
153	impute income to a parent if the court finds it necessary for								
154	the parent to stay home with the child who is the subject of a								
155	child support calculation.								
156	2. In order for the court to impute income beyond minimum								
157	wage under subparagraph 1., the court must make specific								
158	findings of fact consistent with the requirements of this								
159	subparagraph. The party seeking to impute income has the burden								
160	to present competent, substantial evidence showing the								
161	following:								
162	a. That the unemployment or underemployment is voluntary.								
163	b. The amount and source of the imputed income, through								
164	evidence of income from available employment for which the party								
165	is suitably qualified by education, experience, current								
166	licensure, or geographic location, with due consideration being								
167	given to the parties' time-sharing schedule and their historical								

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168	exercise of the time-sharing provided in the parenting plan or
169	relevant order.
170	3. There shall be a rebuttable presumption entitling the
171	court to impute Florida minimum wage on a full-time basis to a
172	parent, absent a finding by the court that:
173	a. The parent has a physical or mental incapacity that
174	renders the parent unemployable or underemployed;
175	b. The parent needs to stay home to care for a child who
176	is the subject of the child support calculation, thereby
177	preventing the parent's employment or rendering the parent
178	underemployed; or
179	c. There are other circumstances over which the parent has
180	no control, except for penal incarceration, that prevent the
181	parent from earning an income.
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183	If evidence is produced that demonstrates that the parent is a
184	resident of another state, that state's minimum wage law shall
185	apply. In the absence of a state minimum wage, the federal
186	minimum wage as determined by the United States Department of
187	Labor shall apply.
188	4. Unless the court makes the appropriate findings under
189	sub-subparagraph 2.b., income may not be imputed beyond minimum
190	wage requirements in subparagraph 3. based upon:
191	a. Income records that are more than 5 years old at the
192	time of the hearing or trial at which imputation is sought; or
193	b. Income at a level that a party has never earned in the
194	past, unless recently degreed, licensed, certified, relicensed,
195	or recertified and thus qualified for, subject to geographic

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196 location, with due consideration of the parties' existing time-197 sharing schedule and their historical exercise of the time-198 sharing provided in the parenting plan or relevant order. 199 (3) Net income is obtained by subtracting allowable 200 deductions from gross income. Allowable deductions shall 201 include: 202 (a) Federal, state, and local income tax, which shall be 203 calculated using gross income deductions, adjusted for actual 204 filing status, personal and dependency exemptions, applicable 205 deductions, earned income credits, child and dependent care 206 credits, and other allowable tax credits and allowable 207 dependents and income tax liabilities. 208 The following guidelines schedule shall be applied to (6) 209 the combined net income to determine the minimum child support 210 need: 211 Combined Monthly 212 Child or Children Net Income 213 One Two Three Four Five Six 214 650.00 74 75 75 76 77 78 215 <del>119</del> 120  $\frac{121}{121}$ 123 125700.00 124216 750.00 164171 $\frac{173}{173}$  $\frac{166}{1}$  $\frac{167}{1}$  $\frac{169}{169}$ 217

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219	900.00	213	302	305	309	312	315
220	950.00	224	347	351	355	359	363
221	1000 00	225	265	207			410
222	1000.00	235	365	397	402	406	410
223	1050.00	246	382	443	448	453	458
224	1100.00	258	400	489	495	500	505
225	1150.00	269	417	522	541	547	553
	1200.00	280	435	544	588	594	600
226	1250.00	290	451	565	634	641	648
227	1300.00	300	467	584	659	688	695
228	1350.00	310	482	603	681	735	743
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230	1400.00	320	498	623	702	765	790
231	1450.00	330	513	642	724	789	838
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232	1550.00	350	544	681	768	836	895
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234	1650.00	370	575	720	812	884	945
235	1700.00	380	591	740	833	907	971
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237	1800.00	400	622	779	877	955	1022
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239	1850.00	410	638	798	900	979	1048
240	1900.00	421	654	818	923	1004	1074
241	1950.00	431	670	839	946	1029	1101
242	2000.00	442	686	859	968	1054	1128
243	2050.00	452	702	879	991	1079	1154
	2100.00	463	718	899	1014	1104	1181
244	2150.00	473	734	919	1037	1129	1207
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250	2450.00	536	831	1041	1174	1279	1367
251	2500.00	547	847	1061	1196	1304	1394
252	2550.00	557	864	1081	1219	1329	1420
253	2600.00	568	880	1101	1242	1354	1447
254	2650.00	578	896	1121	1265	1379	1473
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256	2700.00	588	912	1141		1403	
257	2750.00	597	927	1160	1308	1426	1524
258	2800.00	607	941	1178	1328	1448	1549
259	2850.00	616	956	1197	1349	1471	1573
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263	3100.00	663	1031	1289	1453	1586	1695
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265	3150.00	673	1045	1308	14/4	1608	1720
266	3200.00	682	1060	1327	1495	1631	1744
267	3250.00	691	1075	1345	1516	1654	1769
268	3300.00	701	1090	1364	1537	1677	1793
	3350.00	710	1105	1382	1558	1700	1818
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282	4000.00	828	1288	1603	1816	1982	2119
283	4050.00	837	1302	1620	1835	2002	2141
284	4100.00	846	1315	1637	1854	2023	2163
285	4150.00	854	1329	1654	1873	2044	2185
286	4200.00	863	1342	1670	1892	2064	2207
	4250.00	872	1355	1687	1911	2085	2229
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332	6550.00	1175	1827	2288	2573	2810	3008
333	6600.00	1179	1835	2299	2584	2822	3021
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352	7500.00	1251	1945	2438	2741	2993	3201
	7550.00	1255	1951	2446	2750	3002	3211
353	7600.00	1259	1957	2453	2758	3011	3220
354	7650.00	1263	1963	2461	2767	3020	3230
355	7700.00	1267	1969	2468	2775	3030	3240
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360	7950.00	1286	1998	2506	2818	3076	3289
361	8000.00	1290	2004	2513	2827	3085	3298
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370	8450.00	1325	2058	2581	2904	3168	3386
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374	8650.00	1341	2082	2612	2938	3205	3425
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381	8950.00	1364	2117	2657	2989	3261	3484
	9000.00	1368	2123	2664	2998	3270	3493
382	9050.00	1372	2129	2672	3006	3279	3503
383	9100.00	1376	2135	2680	3015	3289	3513
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388	9350.00	1395	2165	2717	3058	3335	3562
389	9400.00	1399	2171	2725	3066	3344	3571
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392	9500.00	1407	2183	2740	3083	3363	3591
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394	9600.00	1415	2195	2755	3100	3381	3610
	9650.00	1419	2201	2763	3109	3390	3620
395	9700.00	1422	2206	2767	3115	3396	3628
396	9750.00	1425	2210	2772	3121	3402	3634
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422 in employment or to enhance income of current employment of 423 either parent shall be reduced by 25 percent and then shall be 424 added to the basic obligation. After the adjusted child care 425 costs are added to the basic obligation, any moneys prepaid by a 426 parent for child care costs for the child or children of this 427 action shall be deducted from that parent's child support 428 obligation for that child or those children. Child care costs 429 shall not exceed the level required to provide quality care from 430 a licensed source for the children.

431 The total minimum child support need shall be (10)432 determined by adding child care costs and health insurance costs 433 to the minimum child support need. Each parent's actual dollar 434 share of the total minimum child support need shall be 435 determined by multiplying the minimum child support need by each parent's percentage share of the combined monthly net income. 436 437 The resulting amount shall be paid by the parent having less 438 than 40 percent of the overnight time-sharing to the parent 439 having more than 60 percent of the overnight time-sharing.

(11) (a) The court may adjust the total minimum child support award, or either or both parents' share of the total minimum child support award, based upon the following deviation factors:

444 1. Extraordinary medical, psychological, educational, or445 dental expenses.

446 2. Independent income of the child, not to include moneys447 received by a child from supplemental security income.

3. The payment of support for a parent which regularly hasbeen paid and for which there is a demonstrated need.

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450 4. Seasonal variations in one or both parents' incomes or451 expenses.

452 5. The age of the child, taking into account the greater453 needs of older children.

6. Special needs, such as costs that may be associated with the disability of a child, that have traditionally been met within the family budget even though the fulfilling of those needs will cause the support to exceed the presumptive amount established by the guidelines.

Total available assets of the obligee, obligor, and thechild.

461 8. The impact of the Internal Revenue Service dependency 462 exemption and waiver of that exemption. The court may order a 463 parent to execute a waiver of the Internal Revenue Service 464 dependency exemption if the paying parent is current in support 465 payments.

466 <u>8.9.</u> When application of the child support guidelines 467 schedule requires a person to pay another person more than 55 468 percent of his or her gross income for a child support 469 obligation for current support resulting from a single support 470 order <u>or when the application of the child support guidelines</u> 471 <u>leaves a party with a net income that is lower than the current</u> 472 federal poverty guidelines.

<u>9.10.</u> The particular parenting plan, such as where the
child spends a significant amount of time, but less than 40
percent of the overnights, with one parent, thereby reducing the
financial expenditures incurred by the other parent; or the

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477 refusal of a parent to become involved in the activities of the 478 child.

479 <u>10.11.</u> Any other adjustment which is needed to achieve an 480 equitable result which may include, but not be limited to, a 481 reasonable and necessary existing expense or debt. Such expense 482 or debt may include, but is not limited to, a reasonable and 483 necessary expense or debt which the parties jointly incurred 484 during the marriage.

(b) Whenever a particular parenting plan provides that
each child spend a substantial amount of time with each parent,
the court shall adjust any award of child support, as follows:

1. In accordance with subsections (9) and (10), calculate the amount of support obligation apportioned to each parent without including day care and health insurance costs in the calculation and multiply the amount by 1.5.

492 2. Calculate the percentage of overnight stays the child493 spends with each parent.

3. Multiply each parent's support obligation as calculated
in subparagraph 1. by the percentage of the other parent's
overnight stays with the child as calculated in subparagraph 2.

497 4. The difference between the amounts calculated in
498 subparagraph 3. shall be the monetary transfer necessary between
499 the parents for the care of the child, subject to an adjustment
500 for day care and health insurance expenses.

501 5. Pursuant to subsections (7) and (8), calculate the net 502 amounts owed by each parent for the expenses incurred for day 503 care and health insurance coverage for the child. <del>Day care shall</del>

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504 be calculated without regard to the 25-percent reduction applied 505 by subsection (7).

506 6. Adjust the support obligation owed by each parent 507 pursuant to subparagraph 4. by crediting or debiting the amount 508 calculated in subparagraph 5. This amount represents the child 509 support which must be exchanged between the parents.

510 7. The court may deviate from the child support amount 511 calculated pursuant to subparagraph 6. based upon the deviation 512 factors in paragraph (a), as well as the obligee parent's low 513 income and ability to maintain the basic necessities of the home 514 for the child, the likelihood that either parent will actually 515 exercise the time-sharing schedule set forth in the parenting plan granted by the court, and whether all of the children are 516 exercising the same time-sharing schedule. 517

518 8. For purposes of adjusting any award of child support 519 under this paragraph, "substantial amount of time" means that a 520 parent exercises <u>time-sharing</u> <del>visitation</del> at least 40 percent of 521 the overnights of the year.

522 (C) A parent's failure to regularly exercise the court-523 ordered or agreed time-sharing schedule not caused by the other 524 parent which resulted in the adjustment of the amount of child 525 support pursuant to subparagraph (a)9.10. or paragraph (b) shall 526 be deemed a substantial change of circumstances for purposes of 527 modifying the child support award. A modification pursuant to this paragraph shall be retroactive to the date the noncustodial 528 529 parent first failed to regularly exercise the court-ordered or 530 agreed time-sharing schedule.

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531 The court may, for good cause shown, order the parent (18) 532 otherwise entitled to the Internal Revenue Service dependency 533 exemption for a child to execute a waiver of the dependency 534 exemption. 535 Section 4. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section 536 409.2563, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 537 409.2563 Administrative establishment of child support 538 obligations.--539 (5) PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT ORDER.--540 After serving notice upon a parent in accordance with (a) 541 subsection (4), the department shall calculate that parent's 542 child support obligation under the child support guidelines 543 schedule as provided by s. 61.30, based on any timely financial 544 affidavits received and other information available to the 545 department. If either parent fails to comply with the 546 requirement to furnish a financial affidavit, the department may 547 proceed on the basis of information available from any source, 548 if such information is sufficiently reliable and detailed to 549 allow calculation of guideline schedule amounts under s. 61.30. 550 If a parent receives public assistance and fails to submit a 551 financial affidavit, the department may submit a financial 552 affidavit for that parent pursuant to s. 61.30(15). If there is 553 a lack of sufficient reliable information concerning a parent's 554 actual earnings for a current or past period, there shall be a 555 rebuttable presumption it shall be presumed for the purpose of establishing a support obligation that the parent had an earning 556 557 capacity equal to the Florida federal minimum wage on a full-558 time basis during the applicable period, unless evidence is

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559 presented that the parent is a resident of another state, in 560 which case that state's minimum wage shall apply. In the absence 561 of a state minimum wage, the federal minimum wage as determined 562 by the United States Department of Labor shall apply.

563 Section 5. Section 742.08, Florida Statutes, is amended to 564 read:

565 742.08 Default of support payments.--Upon default in 566 payment of any moneys ordered by the court to be paid, the court may enter a judgment for the amount in default, plus interest, 567 568 administrative costs, filing fees, and other expenses incurred 569 by the clerk of the circuit court which shall be a lien upon all 570 property of the defendant both real and personal. Interest on support judgments shall be enforceable through all of the 571 572 methods available to enforce the underlying support order, 573 including contempt. Interest shall not accrue on postjudgment 574 interest. Costs and fees shall be assessed only after the court 575 makes a determination of the nonprevailing party's ability to 576 pay such costs and fees. In Title IV-D cases, any costs, 577 including filing fees, recording fees, mediation costs, service 578 of process fees, and other expenses incurred by the clerk of the 579 circuit court, shall be assessed only against the nonprevailing 580 obligor after the court makes a determination of the 581 nonprevailing obligor's ability to pay such costs and fees. The 582 Department of Revenue shall not be considered a party for purposes of this section; however, fees may be assessed against 583 the department pursuant to s. 57.105(1). Willful failure to 584 585 comply with an order of the court shall be deemed a contempt of 586 the court entering the order and shall be punished as such. The

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587 court may require bond of the defendant for the faithful 588 performance of his or her obligation under the order of the

589 court in such amount and upon such conditions as the court shall 590 direct.

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Section 6. This act shall take effect October 1, 2009.