SENATE BILL No. 1415

September 21, 2004, Introduced by Senators GARCIA, PRUSI, ALLEN, HARDIMAN, JACOBS and BIRKHOLZ and referred to the Committee on Families and Human Services.

A bill to amend 1982 PA 295, entitled "Support and parenting time enforcement act,"

(MCL 552.601 to 552.650) by adding section 15a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 15a. (1) If a payer who is called to emergency
- 2 military service has a change in income due to that military
 - service that results in a reduction of income, that change in
- 4 income shall be considered a change in circumstances resulting in
- a modification of a prior income withholding order or judgment
- for child support.
- 7 (2) Upon receipt of a notarized letter from the commanding
- 8 officer of a payer in emergency military service that contains
- 9 the date of the commencement of emergency military service and
- 10 the compensation of the payer in emergency military service, the
- 11 friend of the court shall take appropriate action to seek

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- 1 modification of the order of income withholding by the same
- 2 proportion that the payer's military pay is less than his or her
- 3 civilian pay. The modification shall be retroactive to the date
- 4 the payer reported for the emergency military service and shall
- 5 continue until the payer returns from the emergency military
- 6 service.
- 7 (3) Upon return from emergency military service, the payer
- 8 shall notify the office of the friend of the court who shall take
- 9 appropriate action to seek modification of the order of income
- 10 withholding.
- 11 (4) As used in this section, "emergency military service"
- 12 means that the payer is a member of a reserve unit or national
- 13 guard unit called into active military duty outside the United
- 14 States for a period of more than 30 days.

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