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Sponsor(s): Representative Benson

Brief Description: Providing for an accounting of how child support payments are being spent.

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Provides that a parent obligated to pay child support may file a motion with the court requesting an accounting of how the support is being spent by the receiving parent. The parent must include with the motion an affidavit stating with particularity the facts the parent relied upon in determining that an accounting is necessary. The motion and affidavit must be served upon the parent receiving support.

Provides that, if the court determines that the motion does not show good cause for ordering an accounting, the court may dismiss the motion and order the parent filing the motion to pay costs and reasonable attorneys' fees to the receiving parent responding to the motion.

Provides that, if the court determines that the motion shows good cause, the court may order the receiving parent to account for the expenditure and management of the child support funds received. The receiving parent shall not be obligated to account for more than the funds received in the two months immediately preceding the court order for an accounting.