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1 AN ACT Relating to implementing changes to child support based on
2 the child support schedule work group report; amending RCW 26.19.011,
3 26.19.020, 26.19.065, 26.19.075, 26.19.090, and 26.19.050; adding new
4 sections to chapter 26.19 RCW; creating a new section; and providing an
5 effective date.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) To comply with the federal requirement
8 that all states review their child support laws every four years, the
9 legislature has mandated that a child support work group be convened
10 every four years to examine current laws, administrative rules, and
11 practices regarding child support.

12 (2) The 2011 child support schedule work group was convened in
13 January and conducted a total of ten in-person meetings and numerous
14 meetings using telephone conference calls. The work group produced a
15 final report and recommendations in September 2011.

16 (3) The work group's September 2011 final report and
17 recommendations contain, among other things, a new economic table based
18 on more current data, a formula for calculating adjustments to take

1 into consideration children not before the court, and a worksheet and
2 formula for calculating adjustments to take into consideration a
3 residential schedule credit for the obligor.

4 (4) The legislature intends to implement recommendations made by
5 the 2011 child support schedule work group, including the use of the
6 residential schedule credit worksheet and formulas contained in the
7 work group's final report.

8 **Sec. 2.** RCW 26.19.011 and 2005 c 282 s 35 are each amended to read
9 as follows:

10 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in
11 this section apply throughout this chapter.

12 (1) "Basic child support obligation" means the monthly child
13 support obligation determined from the economic table based on the
14 parties' combined monthly net income and the number of children for
15 whom support is owed.

16 (2) "Child support schedule" means the standards, economic table,
17 worksheets, and instructions, as defined in this chapter.

18 (3) "Court" means a superior court judge, court commissioner, and
19 presiding and reviewing officers who administratively determine or
20 enforce child support orders.

21 (4) "Deviation" means a child support amount that differs from the
22 standard calculation.

23 (5) "Economic table" means the child support table for the basic
24 support obligation provided in RCW 26.19.020.

25 (6) "Instructions" means the instructions developed by the
26 administrative office of the courts pursuant to RCW 26.19.050 for use
27 in completing the worksheets.

28 (7) "Standards" means the standards for determination of child
29 support as provided in this chapter.

30 (8) "Standard calculation" means the presumptive amount of child
31 support owed as determined from the child support schedule before the
32 court makes any adjustments or considers any reasons for deviation.

33 (9) "Support transfer payment" means the amount of money the court
34 orders one parent to pay to another parent or custodian for child
35 support after determination of the standard calculation and deviations.
36 If certain expenses or credits are expected to fluctuate and the order

1 states a formula or percentage to determine the additional amount or
2 credit on an ongoing basis, the term "support transfer payment" does
3 not mean the additional amount or credit.

4 (10) "Worksheets" means the forms developed by the administrative
5 office of the courts pursuant to RCW 26.19.050 for use in determining
6 the amount of child support.

7 (11) "Children not before the court" means children for whom
8 support is not being determined in the current proceeding, but who are
9 the children of one of the parents involved in the proceeding based on
10 a parent-child relationship consistent with RCW 26.26.101, or who are
11 the children of one of the parents based on a court order which
12 established the parent as a de facto parent.

13 **Sec. 3.** RCW 26.19.020 and 2009 c 84 s 1 are each amended to read
14 as follows:
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16 ((ECONOMIC TABLE
17 MONTHLY BASIC SUPPORT OBLIGATION
18 PER CHILD

19 KEY: A=AGE 0-11 B=AGE 12-18

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22 COMBINED	23 ONE		24 TWO	
25 MONTHLY	26 CHILD		27 CHILDREN	
28 NET	29 FAMILY		30 FAMILY	
31 INCOME	32 A	33 B	34 A	35 B

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27 For income less than \$1000 the obligation is
28 based upon the resources and living expenses of
29 each household. Minimum support may not be
30 less than \$50 per child per month except when
31 allowed by RCW 26.19.065(2).

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33 1000	220	272	171	211
34 1100	242	299	188	232
35 1200	264	326	205	253
36 1300	285	352	221	274

1	1400	307	379	238	294
2	1500	327	404	254	313
3	1600	347	428	269	333
4	1700	367	453	285	352
5	1800	387	478	300	371
6	1900	407	503	316	390
7	2000	427	527	331	409
8	2100	447	552	347	429
9	2200	467	577	362	448
10	2300	487	601	378	467
11	2400	506	626	393	486
12	2500	526	650	408	505
13	2600	534	661	416	513
14	2700	542	670	421	520
15	2800	549	679	427	527
16	2900	556	686	431	533
17	3000	561	693	436	538
18	3100	566	699	439	543
19	3200	569	704	442	546
20	3300	573	708	445	549
21	3400	574	710	446	551
22	3500	575	711	447	552
23	3600	577	712	448	553
24	3700	578	713	449	554
25	3800	581	719	452	558
26	3900	596	736	463	572
27	4000	609	753	473	584
28	4100	623	770	484	598
29	4200	638	788	495	611
30	4300	651	805	506	625
31	4400	664	821	516	637
32	4500	677	836	525	649
33	4600	689	851	535	661
34	4700	701	866	545	673
35	4800	713	882	554	685
36	4900	726	897	564	697
37	5000	738	912	574	708

1	5100	751	928	584	720
2	5200	763	943	593	732
3	5300	776	959	602	744
4	5400	788	974	612	756
5	5500	800	989	622	768
6	5600	812	1004	632	779
7	5700	825	1019	641	791
8	5800	837	1035	650	803
9	5900	850	1050	660	815
10	6000	862	1065	670	827
11	6100	875	1081	680	839
12	6200	887	1096	689	851
13	6300	899	1112	699	863
14	6400	911	1127	709	875
15	6500	924	1142	718	887
16	6600	936	1157	728	899
17	6700	949	1172	737	911
18	6800	961	1188	747	923
19	6900	974	1203	757	935
20	7000	986	1218	767	946
21	7100	998	1233	776	958
22	7200	1009	1248	785	971
23	7300	1021	1262	794	982
24	7400	1033	1276	803	993
25	7500	1044	1290	812	1004
26	7600	1055	1305	821	1015
27	7700	1067	1319	830	1026
28	7800	1078	1333	839	1037
29	7900	1089	1346	848	1048
30	8000	1100	1360	857	1059
31	8100	1112	1374	865	1069
32	8200	1123	1387	874	1080
33	8300	1134	1401	882	1091
34	8400	1144	1414	891	1101
35	8500	1155	1428	899	1112
36	8600	1166	1441	908	1122
37	8700	1177	1454	916	1133

1	8800	1187	1467	925	1143
2	8900	1198	1481	933	1153
3	9000	1208	1493	941	1163
4	9100	1219	1506	949	1173
5	9200	1229	1519	957	1183
6	9300	1239	1532	966	1193
7	9400	1250	1545	974	1203
8	9500	1260	1557	982	1213
9	9600	1270	1570	989	1223
10	9700	1280	1582	997	1233
11	9800	1290	1594	1005	1242
12	9900	1300	1606	1013	1252
13	10000	1310	1619	1021	1262
14	10100	1319	1631	1028	1271
15	10200	1329	1643	1036	1281
16	10300	1339	1655	1044	1290
17	10400	1348	1666	1051	1299
18	10500	1358	1678	1059	1308
19	10600	1367	1690	1066	1318
20	10700	1377	1701	1073	1327
21	10800	1386	1713	1081	1336
22	10900	1395	1724	1088	1345
23	11000	1404	1736	1095	1354
24	11100	1413	1747	1102	1363
25	11200	1422	1758	1110	1371
26	11300	1431	1769	1117	1380
27	11400	1440	1780	1124	1389
28	11500	1449	1791	1131	1398
29	11600	1458	1802	1138	1406
30	11700	1467	1813	1145	1415
31	11800	1475	1823	1151	1423
32	11900	1484	1834	1158	1431
33	12000	1492	1844	1165	1440
34	COMBINED				
35	MONTHLY	THREE	FOUR	FIVE	

	NET	CHILDREN		CHILDREN		CHILDREN	
	INCOME	FAMILY		FAMILY		FAMILY	
		A	B	A	B	A	B
5	For income less than \$1000 the obligation						
6	is based upon the resources and living						
7	expenses of each household. Minimum						
8	support may not be less than \$50 per child						
9	per month except when allowed by RCW						
10	26.19.065(2).						
11	1000	143	177	121	149	105	130
12	1100	157	194	133	164	116	143
13	1200	171	211	144	179	126	156
14	1300	185	228	156	193	136	168
15	1400	199	246	168	208	147	181
16	1500	212	262	179	221	156	193
17	1600	225	278	190	235	166	205
18	1700	238	294	201	248	175	217
19	1800	251	310	212	262	185	228
20	1900	264	326	223	275	194	240
21	2000	277	342	234	289	204	252
22	2100	289	358	245	303	213	264
23	2200	302	374	256	316	223	276
24	2300	315	390	267	330	233	288
25	2400	328	406	278	343	242	299
26	2500	341	421	288	356	251	311
27	2600	346	428	293	362	256	316
28	2700	351	435	298	368	259	321
29	2800	356	440	301	372	262	324
30	2900	360	445	305	376	266	328
31	3000	364	449	308	380	268	331
32	3100	367	453	310	383	270	334
33	3200	369	457	312	386	272	336
34	3300	371	459	314	388	273	339
35	3400	372	460	315	389	274	340
36	3500	373	461	316	390	275	341
37	3600	374	462	317	391	276	342

1	3700	375	463	318	392	277	343
2	3800	377	466	319	394	278	344
3	3900	386	477	326	404	284	352
4	4000	395	488	334	413	291	360
5	4100	404	500	341	422	298	368
6	4200	413	511	350	431	305	377
7	4300	422	522	357	441	311	385
8	4400	431	532	364	449	317	392
9	4500	438	542	371	458	323	400
10	4600	446	552	377	467	329	407
11	4700	455	562	384	475	335	414
12	4800	463	572	391	483	341	422
13	4900	470	581	398	491	347	429
14	5000	479	592	404	500	353	437
15	5100	487	602	411	509	359	443
16	5200	494	611	418	517	365	451
17	5300	503	621	425	525	371	458
18	5400	511	632	432	533	377	466
19	5500	518	641	439	542	383	473
20	5600	527	651	446	551	389	480
21	5700	535	661	452	559	395	488
22	5800	543	671	459	567	401	495
23	5900	551	681	466	575	407	502
24	6000	559	691	473	584	413	509
25	6100	567	701	479	593	418	517
26	6200	575	710	486	601	424	524
27	6300	583	721	493	609	430	532
28	6400	591	731	500	617	436	539
29	6500	599	740	506	626	442	546
30	6600	607	750	513	635	448	554
31	6700	615	761	520	643	454	561
32	6800	623	770	527	651	460	568
33	6900	631	780	533	659	466	575
34	7000	639	790	540	668	472	583
35	7100	647	800	547	677	478	591
36	7200	654	809	554	684	484	598
37	7300	662	818	560	693	490	605

1	7400	670	828	567	701	496	613
2	7500	677	837	574	709	502	620
3	7600	685	846	581	718	507	627
4	7700	692	855	587	726	513	634
5	7800	700	865	594	734	519	642
6	7900	707	874	601	742	525	649
7	8000	714	883	607	750	531	656
8	8100	722	892	614	759	536	663
9	8200	729	901	620	767	542	670
10	8300	736	910	627	775	548	677
11	8400	743	919	633	783	553	684
12	8500	750	928	640	791	559	691
13	8600	758	936	646	799	565	698
14	8700	765	945	653	807	570	705
15	8800	772	954	659	815	576	712
16	8900	779	962	665	822	582	719
17	9000	786	971	672	830	587	726
18	9100	792	980	678	838	593	732
19	9200	799	988	684	846	598	739
20	9300	806	996	691	854	604	746
21	9400	813	1005	697	861	609	753
22	9500	820	1013	703	869	614	759
23	9600	826	1021	709	877	620	766
24	9700	833	1030	716	884	625	773
25	9800	840	1038	722	892	631	779
26	9900	846	1046	728	900	636	786
27	10000	853	1054	734	907	641	793
28	10100	859	1062	740	915	647	799
29	10200	866	1070	746	922	652	806
30	10300	872	1078	752	930	657	812
31	10400	879	1086	758	937	662	819
32	10500	885	1094	764	944	668	825
33	10600	891	1102	770	952	673	832
34	10700	898	1109	776	959	678	838
35	10800	904	1117	782	966	683	844
36	10900	910	1125	788	974	688	851
37	11000	916	1132	794	981	693	857

1	11100	922	1140	799	988	698	863
2	11200	928	1147	805	995	703	869
3	11300	934	1155	811	1002	708	876
4	11400	940	1162	817	1009	714	882
5	11500	946	1170	822	1017	719	888
6	11600	952	1177	828	1024	723	894
7	11700	958	1184	834	1031	728	900
8	11800	964	1191	839	1038	733	906
9	11900	970	1199	845	1045	738	912
10	12000	975	1206	851	1051	743	919))

ECONOMIC TABLE

MONTHLY BASIC SUPPORT OBLIGATION

PER CHILD

<u>COMBINED</u>	<u>ONE</u>	<u>TWO</u>
<u>MONTHLY</u>	<u>CHILD</u>	<u>CHILDREN</u>
<u>NET</u>	<u>FAMILY</u>	<u>FAMILY</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		

For income less than \$1000 the obligation is based upon the resources and living expenses of each household.

Minimum support may not be less than \$50 per child per month except when allowed by RCW 26.19.065(2).

<u>1000</u>	<u>216</u>	<u>167</u>
<u>1100</u>	<u>238</u>	<u>184</u>
<u>1200</u>	<u>260</u>	<u>200</u>
<u>1300</u>	<u>281</u>	<u>217</u>
<u>1400</u>	<u>303</u>	<u>234</u>
<u>1500</u>	<u>325</u>	<u>251</u>
<u>1600</u>	<u>346</u>	<u>267</u>
<u>1700</u>	<u>368</u>	<u>284</u>
<u>1800</u>	<u>390</u>	<u>301</u>
<u>1900</u>	<u>412</u>	<u>317</u>
<u>2000</u>	<u>433</u>	<u>334</u>
<u>2100</u>	<u>455</u>	<u>350</u>
<u>2200</u>	<u>477</u>	<u>367</u>

1	<u>2300</u>	<u>499</u>	<u>384</u>
2	<u>2400</u>	<u>521</u>	<u>400</u>
3	<u>2500</u>	<u>543</u>	<u>417</u>
4	<u>2600</u>	<u>565</u>	<u>433</u>
5	<u>2700</u>	<u>587</u>	<u>450</u>
6	<u>2800</u>	<u>609</u>	<u>467</u>
7	<u>2900</u>	<u>630</u>	<u>483</u>
8	<u>3000</u>	<u>652</u>	<u>500</u>
9	<u>3100</u>	<u>674</u>	<u>516</u>
10	<u>3200</u>	<u>696</u>	<u>533</u>
11	<u>3300</u>	<u>718</u>	<u>550</u>
12	<u>3400</u>	<u>740</u>	<u>566</u>
13	<u>3500</u>	<u>762</u>	<u>583</u>
14	<u>3600</u>	<u>784</u>	<u>599</u>
15	<u>3700</u>	<u>803</u>	<u>614</u>
16	<u>3800</u>	<u>816</u>	<u>624</u>
17	<u>3900</u>	<u>830</u>	<u>634</u>
18	<u>4000</u>	<u>843</u>	<u>643</u>
19	<u>4100</u>	<u>857</u>	<u>653</u>
20	<u>4200</u>	<u>867</u>	<u>660</u>
21	<u>4300</u>	<u>877</u>	<u>668</u>
22	<u>4400</u>	<u>887</u>	<u>675</u>
23	<u>4500</u>	<u>896</u>	<u>682</u>
24	<u>4600</u>	<u>906</u>	<u>689</u>
25	<u>4700</u>	<u>916</u>	<u>697</u>
26	<u>4800</u>	<u>927</u>	<u>705</u>
27	<u>4900</u>	<u>939</u>	<u>714</u>
28	<u>5000</u>	<u>951</u>	<u>723</u>
29	<u>5100</u>	<u>963</u>	<u>732</u>
30	<u>5200</u>	<u>975</u>	<u>741</u>
31	<u>5300</u>	<u>987</u>	<u>750</u>
32	<u>5400</u>	<u>999</u>	<u>759</u>
33	<u>5500</u>	<u>1011</u>	<u>768</u>
34	<u>5600</u>	<u>1023</u>	<u>777</u>
35	<u>5700</u>	<u>1030</u>	<u>782</u>
36	<u>5800</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>786</u>
37	<u>5900</u>	<u>1042</u>	<u>791</u>

1	<u>6000</u>	<u>1048</u>	<u>795</u>
2	<u>6100</u>	<u>1054</u>	<u>800</u>
3	<u>6200</u>	<u>1061</u>	<u>804</u>
4	<u>6300</u>	<u>1067</u>	<u>809</u>
5	<u>6400</u>	<u>1073</u>	<u>813</u>
6	<u>6500</u>	<u>1081</u>	<u>819</u>
7	<u>6600</u>	<u>1096</u>	<u>830</u>
8	<u>6700</u>	<u>1111</u>	<u>842</u>
9	<u>6800</u>	<u>1126</u>	<u>853</u>
10	<u>6900</u>	<u>1141</u>	<u>864</u>
11	<u>7000</u>	<u>1156</u>	<u>875</u>
12	<u>7100</u>	<u>1170</u>	<u>886</u>
13	<u>7200</u>	<u>1185</u>	<u>898</u>
14	<u>7300</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>909</u>
15	<u>7400</u>	<u>1212</u>	<u>918</u>
16	<u>7500</u>	<u>1222</u>	<u>925</u>
17	<u>7600</u>	<u>1231</u>	<u>932</u>
18	<u>7700</u>	<u>1241</u>	<u>939</u>
19	<u>7800</u>	<u>1251</u>	<u>946</u>
20	<u>7900</u>	<u>1261</u>	<u>953</u>
21	<u>8000</u>	<u>1270</u>	<u>960</u>
22	<u>8100</u>	<u>1280</u>	<u>968</u>
23	<u>8200</u>	<u>1290</u>	<u>975</u>
24	<u>8300</u>	<u>1299</u>	<u>981</u>
25	<u>8400</u>	<u>1308</u>	<u>987</u>
26	<u>8500</u>	<u>1316</u>	<u>994</u>
27	<u>8600</u>	<u>1325</u>	<u>1000</u>
28	<u>8700</u>	<u>1334</u>	<u>1007</u>
29	<u>8800</u>	<u>1343</u>	<u>1013</u>
30	<u>8900</u>	<u>1352</u>	<u>1019</u>
31	<u>9000</u>	<u>1361</u>	<u>1026</u>
32	<u>9100</u>	<u>1370</u>	<u>1032</u>
33	<u>9200</u>	<u>1379</u>	<u>1040</u>
34	<u>9300</u>	<u>1387</u>	<u>1047</u>
35	<u>9400</u>	<u>1396</u>	<u>1055</u>
36	<u>9500</u>	<u>1405</u>	<u>1062</u>
37	<u>9600</u>	<u>1414</u>	<u>1069</u>

1	<u>9700</u>	<u>1423</u>	<u>1077</u>
2	<u>9800</u>	<u>1432</u>	<u>1084</u>
3	<u>9900</u>	<u>1441</u>	<u>1092</u>
4	<u>10000</u>	<u>1451</u>	<u>1099</u>
5	<u>10100</u>	<u>1462</u>	<u>1107</u>
6	<u>10200</u>	<u>1473</u>	<u>1114</u>
7	<u>10300</u>	<u>1484</u>	<u>1122</u>
8	<u>10400</u>	<u>1495</u>	<u>1129</u>
9	<u>10500</u>	<u>1507</u>	<u>1136</u>
10	<u>10600</u>	<u>1518</u>	<u>1144</u>
11	<u>10700</u>	<u>1529</u>	<u>1151</u>
12	<u>10800</u>	<u>1539</u>	<u>1159</u>
13	<u>10900</u>	<u>1542</u>	<u>1161</u>
14	<u>11000</u>	<u>1545</u>	<u>1164</u>
15	<u>11100</u>	<u>1548</u>	<u>1166</u>
16	<u>11200</u>	<u>1551</u>	<u>1169</u>
17	<u>11300</u>	<u>1554</u>	<u>1172</u>
18	<u>11400</u>	<u>1556</u>	<u>1174</u>
19	<u>11500</u>	<u>1559</u>	<u>1177</u>
20	<u>11600</u>	<u>1562</u>	<u>1179</u>
21	<u>11700</u>	<u>1565</u>	<u>1182</u>
22	<u>11800</u>	<u>1568</u>	<u>1184</u>
23	<u>11900</u>	<u>1571</u>	<u>1187</u>
24	<u>12000</u>	<u>1573</u>	<u>1190</u>

25				
26	<u>COMBINED</u>	<u>THREE</u>	<u>FOUR</u>	<u>FIVE</u>
27	<u>MONTHLY</u>	<u>CHILDREN</u>	<u>CHILDREN</u>	<u>CHILDREN</u>
28	<u>NET</u>	<u>FAMILY</u>	<u>FAMILY</u>	<u>FAMILY</u>
29	<u>INCOME</u>			
30				

31 For income less than \$1000 the obligation is based upon
32 the resources and living expenses of each household.
33 Minimum support may not be less than \$50 per child per
34 month except when allowed by RCW 26.19.065(2).

1	<u>1000</u>	<u>136</u>	<u>114</u>	<u>100</u>
2	<u>1100</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>110</u>
3	<u>1200</u>	<u>163</u>	<u>137</u>	<u>120</u>
4	<u>1300</u>	<u>177</u>	<u>148</u>	<u>130</u>
5	<u>1400</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>141</u>
6	<u>1500</u>	<u>204</u>	<u>171</u>	<u>151</u>
7	<u>1600</u>	<u>218</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>161</u>
8	<u>1700</u>	<u>231</u>	<u>194</u>	<u>171</u>
9	<u>1800</u>	<u>245</u>	<u>205</u>	<u>180</u>
10	<u>1900</u>	<u>258</u>	<u>216</u>	<u>190</u>
11	<u>2000</u>	<u>271</u>	<u>227</u>	<u>200</u>
12	<u>2100</u>	<u>285</u>	<u>239</u>	<u>210</u>
13	<u>2200</u>	<u>298</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>220</u>
14	<u>2300</u>	<u>311</u>	<u>261</u>	<u>230</u>
15	<u>2400</u>	<u>325</u>	<u>272</u>	<u>239</u>
16	<u>2500</u>	<u>338</u>	<u>283</u>	<u>249</u>
17	<u>2600</u>	<u>351</u>	<u>294</u>	<u>259</u>
18	<u>2700</u>	<u>365</u>	<u>305</u>	<u>269</u>
19	<u>2800</u>	<u>378</u>	<u>317</u>	<u>279</u>
20	<u>2900</u>	<u>391</u>	<u>328</u>	<u>288</u>
21	<u>3000</u>	<u>405</u>	<u>339</u>	<u>298</u>
22	<u>3100</u>	<u>418</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>308</u>
23	<u>3200</u>	<u>431</u>	<u>361</u>	<u>318</u>
24	<u>3300</u>	<u>444</u>	<u>372</u>	<u>328</u>
25	<u>3400</u>	<u>458</u>	<u>384</u>	<u>337</u>
26	<u>3500</u>	<u>471</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>347</u>
27	<u>3600</u>	<u>484</u>	<u>406</u>	<u>357</u>
28	<u>3700</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>416</u>	<u>366</u>
29	<u>3800</u>	<u>503</u>	<u>422</u>	<u>371</u>
30	<u>3900</u>	<u>511</u>	<u>428</u>	<u>377</u>
31	<u>4000</u>	<u>518</u>	<u>434</u>	<u>382</u>
32	<u>4100</u>	<u>526</u>	<u>440</u>	<u>388</u>
33	<u>4200</u>	<u>531</u>	<u>445</u>	<u>392</u>
34	<u>4300</u>	<u>537</u>	<u>450</u>	<u>396</u>
35	<u>4400</u>	<u>543</u>	<u>455</u>	<u>400</u>
36	<u>4500</u>	<u>548</u>	<u>459</u>	<u>404</u>
37	<u>4600</u>	<u>554</u>	<u>464</u>	<u>408</u>

1	<u>4700</u>	<u>559</u>	<u>469</u>	<u>412</u>
2	<u>4800</u>	<u>566</u>	<u>474</u>	<u>417</u>
3	<u>4900</u>	<u>573</u>	<u>480</u>	<u>422</u>
4	<u>5000</u>	<u>580</u>	<u>486</u>	<u>428</u>
5	<u>5100</u>	<u>587</u>	<u>492</u>	<u>433</u>
6	<u>5200</u>	<u>594</u>	<u>498</u>	<u>438</u>
7	<u>5300</u>	<u>602</u>	<u>504</u>	<u>443</u>
8	<u>5400</u>	<u>609</u>	<u>510</u>	<u>449</u>
9	<u>5500</u>	<u>616</u>	<u>516</u>	<u>454</u>
10	<u>5600</u>	<u>623</u>	<u>522</u>	<u>459</u>
11	<u>5700</u>	<u>627</u>	<u>525</u>	<u>462</u>
12	<u>5800</u>	<u>630</u>	<u>528</u>	<u>465</u>
13	<u>5900</u>	<u>634</u>	<u>531</u>	<u>467</u>
14	<u>6000</u>	<u>637</u>	<u>534</u>	<u>470</u>
15	<u>6100</u>	<u>641</u>	<u>537</u>	<u>472</u>
16	<u>6200</u>	<u>644</u>	<u>540</u>	<u>475</u>
17	<u>6300</u>	<u>648</u>	<u>543</u>	<u>477</u>
18	<u>6400</u>	<u>651</u>	<u>545</u>	<u>480</u>
19	<u>6500</u>	<u>656</u>	<u>549</u>	<u>483</u>
20	<u>6600</u>	<u>665</u>	<u>557</u>	<u>490</u>
21	<u>6700</u>	<u>674</u>	<u>564</u>	<u>497</u>
22	<u>6800</u>	<u>683</u>	<u>572</u>	<u>503</u>
23	<u>6900</u>	<u>692</u>	<u>579</u>	<u>510</u>
24	<u>7000</u>	<u>701</u>	<u>587</u>	<u>516</u>
25	<u>7100</u>	<u>710</u>	<u>594</u>	<u>523</u>
26	<u>7200</u>	<u>719</u>	<u>602</u>	<u>530</u>
27	<u>7300</u>	<u>727</u>	<u>609</u>	<u>536</u>
28	<u>7400</u>	<u>734</u>	<u>615</u>	<u>541</u>
29	<u>7500</u>	<u>740</u>	<u>620</u>	<u>545</u>
30	<u>7600</u>	<u>745</u>	<u>624</u>	<u>549</u>
31	<u>7700</u>	<u>751</u>	<u>629</u>	<u>554</u>
32	<u>7800</u>	<u>756</u>	<u>634</u>	<u>558</u>
33	<u>7900</u>	<u>762</u>	<u>638</u>	<u>562</u>
34	<u>8000</u>	<u>767</u>	<u>643</u>	<u>566</u>
35	<u>8100</u>	<u>773</u>	<u>647</u>	<u>570</u>
36	<u>8200</u>	<u>778</u>	<u>652</u>	<u>574</u>
37	<u>8300</u>	<u>783</u>	<u>656</u>	<u>577</u>

1	<u>8400</u>	<u>788</u>	<u>660</u>	<u>581</u>
2	<u>8500</u>	<u>793</u>	<u>664</u>	<u>584</u>
3	<u>8600</u>	<u>797</u>	<u>668</u>	<u>588</u>
4	<u>8700</u>	<u>802</u>	<u>672</u>	<u>591</u>
5	<u>8800</u>	<u>807</u>	<u>676</u>	<u>595</u>
6	<u>8900</u>	<u>812</u>	<u>680</u>	<u>599</u>
7	<u>9000</u>	<u>817</u>	<u>684</u>	<u>602</u>
8	<u>9100</u>	<u>822</u>	<u>689</u>	<u>606</u>
9	<u>9200</u>	<u>828</u>	<u>694</u>	<u>611</u>
10	<u>9300</u>	<u>835</u>	<u>699</u>	<u>616</u>
11	<u>9400</u>	<u>841</u>	<u>705</u>	<u>620</u>
12	<u>9500</u>	<u>848</u>	<u>710</u>	<u>625</u>
13	<u>9600</u>	<u>854</u>	<u>716</u>	<u>630</u>
14	<u>9700</u>	<u>861</u>	<u>721</u>	<u>635</u>
15	<u>9800</u>	<u>867</u>	<u>727</u>	<u>639</u>
16	<u>9900</u>	<u>874</u>	<u>732</u>	<u>644</u>
17	<u>10000</u>	<u>879</u>	<u>737</u>	<u>648</u>
18	<u>10100</u>	<u>885</u>	<u>741</u>	<u>652</u>
19	<u>10200</u>	<u>890</u>	<u>745</u>	<u>656</u>
20	<u>10300</u>	<u>895</u>	<u>750</u>	<u>660</u>
21	<u>10400</u>	<u>900</u>	<u>754</u>	<u>664</u>
22	<u>10500</u>	<u>906</u>	<u>759</u>	<u>668</u>
23	<u>10600</u>	<u>911</u>	<u>763</u>	<u>672</u>
24	<u>10700</u>	<u>916</u>	<u>767</u>	<u>675</u>
25	<u>10800</u>	<u>921</u>	<u>772</u>	<u>679</u>
26	<u>10900</u>	<u>924</u>	<u>774</u>	<u>681</u>
27	<u>11000</u>	<u>926</u>	<u>776</u>	<u>683</u>
28	<u>11100</u>	<u>928</u>	<u>778</u>	<u>684</u>
29	<u>11200</u>	<u>931</u>	<u>780</u>	<u>686</u>
30	<u>11300</u>	<u>933</u>	<u>782</u>	<u>688</u>
31	<u>11400</u>	<u>936</u>	<u>784</u>	<u>690</u>
32	<u>11500</u>	<u>938</u>	<u>786</u>	<u>692</u>
33	<u>11600</u>	<u>940</u>	<u>788</u>	<u>693</u>
34	<u>11700</u>	<u>943</u>	<u>790</u>	<u>695</u>
35	<u>11800</u>	<u>945</u>	<u>792</u>	<u>697</u>
36	<u>11900</u>	<u>948</u>	<u>794</u>	<u>699</u>
37	<u>12000</u>	<u>950</u>	<u>796</u>	<u>700</u>

1 The economic table is presumptive for combined monthly net incomes
2 up to and including twelve thousand dollars. When combined monthly
3 net income exceeds twelve thousand dollars, the court may exceed the
4 presumptive amount of support set for combined monthly net incomes of
5 twelve thousand dollars upon written findings of fact.

6 **Sec. 4.** RCW 26.19.065 and 2009 c 84 s 2 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

8 (1) **Limit at forty-five percent of a parent's net income.** Neither
9 parent's child support obligation owed for all his or her biological or
10 legal children may exceed forty-five percent of net income except for
11 good cause shown.

12 (a) Each child is entitled to a pro rata share of the income
13 available for support, but the court only applies the pro rata share to
14 the children in the case before the court.

15 (b) Before determining whether to apply the forty-five percent
16 limitation, the court must consider whether it would be unjust to apply
17 the limitation after considering the best interests of the child and
18 the circumstances of each parent. Such circumstances include, but are
19 not limited to, leaving insufficient funds in the custodial parent's
20 household to meet the basic needs of the child, comparative hardship to
21 the affected households, assets or liabilities, and any involuntary
22 limits on either parent's earning capacity including incarceration,
23 disabilities, or incapacity.

24 (c) Good cause includes, but is not limited to, possession of
25 substantial wealth, children with day care expenses, special medical
26 need, educational need, psychological need, and larger families.

27 (2) **Presumptive minimum support obligation.** (a) When a parent's
28 monthly net income is below one hundred twenty-five percent of the
29 federal poverty guideline for a one-person family, a support order of
30 not less than fifty dollars per child per month shall be entered unless
31 the obligor parent establishes that it would be unjust to do so in that
32 particular case. The decision whether there is a sufficient basis to
33 deviate below the presumptive minimum payment must take into
34 consideration the best interests of the child and the circumstances of
35 each parent. Such circumstances can include leaving insufficient funds
36 in the custodial parent's household to meet the basic needs of the

1 child, comparative hardship to the affected households, assets or
2 liabilities, and earning capacity.

3 (b) The basic support obligation of the parent making the transfer
4 payment, excluding health care, day care, and special child-rearing
5 expenses, shall not reduce his or her net income below the self-support
6 reserve of one hundred twenty-five percent of the federal poverty level
7 for a one-person family, except for the presumptive minimum payment of
8 fifty dollars per child per month or when it would be unjust to apply
9 the self-support reserve limitation after considering the best
10 interests of the child and the circumstances of each parent. Such
11 circumstances include, but are not limited to, leaving insufficient
12 funds in the custodial parent's household to meet the basic needs of
13 the child, comparative hardship to the affected households, assets or
14 liabilities, and earning capacity. This section shall not be construed
15 to require monthly substantiation of income.

16 (3) **Income above twelve thousand dollars.** The economic table is
17 presumptive for combined monthly net incomes up to and including twelve
18 thousand dollars. When combined monthly net income exceeds twelve
19 thousand dollars, the court may exceed the presumptive amount of
20 support set for combined monthly net incomes of twelve thousand dollars
21 upon written findings of fact.

22 **Sec. 5.** RCW 26.19.075 and 2009 c 84 s 4 are each amended to read
23 as follows:

24 (1) Reasons for deviation from the standard calculation include but
25 are not limited to the following:

26 (a) **Sources of income and tax planning.** The court may deviate from
27 the standard calculation after consideration of the following:

28 (i) Income of a new spouse or new domestic partner if the parent
29 who is married to the new spouse or in a partnership with a new
30 domestic partner is asking for a deviation based on any other reason.
31 Income of a new spouse or new domestic partner is not, by itself, a
32 sufficient reason for deviation;

33 (ii) Income of other adults in the household if the parent who is
34 living with the other adult is asking for a deviation based on any
35 other reason. Income of the other adults in the household is not, by
36 itself, a sufficient reason for deviation;

37 (iii) Child support actually received from other relationships;

1 (iv) Gifts;
2 (v) Prizes;
3 (vi) Possession of wealth, including but not limited to savings,
4 investments, real estate holdings and business interests, vehicles,
5 boats, pensions, bank accounts, insurance plans, or other assets;
6 (vii) Extraordinary income of a child;
7 (viii) Tax planning considerations. A deviation for tax planning
8 may be granted only if the child would not receive a lesser economic
9 benefit due to the tax planning; or
10 (ix) Income that has been excluded under RCW 26.19.071(4)((+h+))
11 (i) if the person earning that income asks for a deviation for any
12 other reason.

13 (b) **Nonrecurring income.** The court may deviate from the standard
14 calculation based on a finding that a particular source of income
15 included in the calculation of the basic support obligation is not a
16 recurring source of income. Depending on the circumstances,
17 nonrecurring income may include overtime, contract-related benefits,
18 bonuses, or income from second jobs. Deviations for nonrecurring
19 income shall be based on a review of the nonrecurring income received
20 in the previous two calendar years.

21 (c) **Debt and high expenses.** The court may deviate from the
22 standard calculation after consideration of the following expenses:

23 (i) Extraordinary debt not voluntarily incurred;
24 (ii) A significant disparity in the living costs of the parents due
25 to conditions beyond their control;
26 (iii) Special needs of disabled children;
27 (iv) Special medical, educational, or psychological needs of the
28 children; or

29 (v) Costs incurred or anticipated to be incurred by the parents in
30 compliance with court-ordered reunification efforts under chapter 13.34
31 RCW or under a voluntary placement agreement with an agency supervising
32 the child.

33 ~~((d) **Residential schedule.** The court may deviate from the~~
34 ~~standard calculation if the child spends a significant amount of time~~
35 ~~with the parent who is obligated to make a support transfer payment.~~
36 ~~The court may not deviate on that basis if the deviation will result in~~
37 ~~insufficient funds in the household receiving the support to meet the~~
38 ~~basic needs of the child or if the child is receiving temporary~~

1 ~~assistance for needy families. When determining the amount of the~~
2 ~~deviation, the court shall consider evidence concerning the increased~~
3 ~~expenses to a parent making support transfer payments resulting from~~
4 ~~the significant amount of time spent with that parent and shall~~
5 ~~consider the decreased expenses, if any, to the party receiving the~~
6 ~~support resulting from the significant amount of time the child spends~~
7 ~~with the parent making the support transfer payment.~~

8 ~~(e) **Children from other relationships.** The court may deviate from~~
9 ~~the standard calculation when either or both of the parents before the~~
10 ~~court have children from other relationships to whom the parent owes a~~
11 ~~duty of support.~~

12 ~~(i) The child support schedule shall be applied to the mother,~~
13 ~~father, and children of the family before the court to determine the~~
14 ~~presumptive amount of support.~~

15 ~~(ii) Children from other relationships shall not be counted in the~~
16 ~~number of children for purposes of determining the basic support~~
17 ~~obligation and the standard calculation.~~

18 ~~(iii) When considering a deviation from the standard calculation~~
19 ~~for children from other relationships, the court may consider only~~
20 ~~other children to whom the parent owes a duty of support. The court~~
21 ~~may consider court-ordered payments of child support for children from~~
22 ~~other relationships only to the extent that the support is actually~~
23 ~~paid.~~

24 ~~(iv) When the court has determined that either or both parents have~~
25 ~~children from other relationships, deviations under this section shall~~
26 ~~be based on consideration of the total circumstances of both~~
27 ~~households. All child support obligations paid, received, and owed for~~
28 ~~all children shall be disclosed and considered.))~~

29 (2) All income and resources of the parties before the court, new
30 spouses or new domestic partners, and other adults in the households
31 shall be disclosed and considered as provided in this section. The
32 presumptive amount of support shall be determined according to the
33 child support schedule. Unless specific reasons for deviation are set
34 forth in the written findings of fact and are supported by the
35 evidence, the court shall order each parent to pay the amount of
36 support determined by using the standard calculation.

37 (3) The court shall enter findings that specify reasons for any
38 deviation or any denial of a party's request for any deviation from the

1 standard calculation made by the court. The court shall not consider
2 reasons for deviation until the court determines the standard
3 calculation for each parent.

4 (4) When reasons exist for deviation, the court shall exercise
5 discretion in considering the extent to which the factors would affect
6 the support obligation.

7 (5) Agreement of the parties is not by itself adequate reason for
8 any deviations from the standard calculation.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** A new section is added to chapter 26.19 RCW
10 to read as follows:

11 (1) The court shall make an adjustment to the standard calculation
12 when the obligor has children not before the court, subject to the
13 provisions in this section and the limitations in RCW 26.19.065. If
14 the court adjusts the standard calculation, it shall use the whole
15 family formula as provided in this section.

16 (2) The child support schedule must first be applied to the parents
17 and the children before the court to determine the standard amount of
18 support.

19 (3) Children not before the court must not be counted in the number
20 of children for purposes of determining the standard calculation, but
21 must be counted in the adjusted calculation for the obligor parent.

22 (4) Stepchildren are not considered children not before the court
23 but may be considered as a reason to deviate from either the standard
24 or the adjusted calculation of support.

25 (5) When the court has determined that either or both parents have
26 children not before the court, adjustments under this section must be
27 based on considerations of the total circumstances of both households
28 including the children of either parent who do not live in the
29 household of the parents. Both parents shall disclose, and the court
30 shall consider, all child support obligations, paid, received, and owed
31 for all children.

32 (6) The court may not adjust the standard calculation on the basis
33 of children not before the court if:

34 (a) Adjusting the standard calculation would result in insufficient
35 funds to meet the basic needs of the children in the receiving
36 household and, when taking into consideration the totality of the
37 circumstances, the application of the adjustment would be unjust;

1 (b) The obligee's net income before receiving the support transfer
2 payment is at or below one hundred twenty-five percent of the federal
3 poverty level guidelines for the obligee's household size, including
4 both children before the court and children not before the court; or

5 (c) It is shown that the obligor parent has not actually paid the
6 child support owed for the obligor's children not before the court who
7 do not live with the obligor, unless there is a reasonable
8 justification for the obligor's nonpayment. When considering whether
9 a reasonable justification exists, the court shall consider the
10 obligor's ability to make full payments of the child support owed for
11 the obligor's children not before the court.

12 (7) The whole family formula requires the court to:

13 (a) Determine the total number of children before the court and the
14 total number of children not before the court for the obligor parent;

15 (b) Determine the monthly basic support obligation from the
16 economic table based on the combined monthly net income of the parents
17 before the court and the obligor's total number of children as
18 determined in (a) of this subsection;

19 (c) Multiply the monthly basic child support obligation by the
20 obligor's proportional share of the combined monthly net income. This
21 amount is the adjusted transfer payment owed by the obligor parent for
22 the children before the court.

23 (8) If the court does not establish the transfer payment at an
24 adjusted calculation determined by this section, the court shall set
25 forth specific findings for the difference in the order of child
26 support.

27 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** A new section is added to chapter 26.19 RCW
28 to read as follows:

29 (1) The court shall make an adjustment to the standard calculation
30 for a shared residential schedule subject to the provisions in this
31 section.

32 (2) An adjustment to the standard calculation based on the
33 residential schedule may be made if there is a court order or findings
34 made by an administrative law judge regarding the number of overnights
35 the child or children spend with the obligor parent, and the number of
36 overnights allocated to the obligor is equivalent to at least fourteen
37 percent of annual overnights. The number of overnights in the court

1 order or administrative law judge's findings must be used to calculate
2 the residential adjustment. The findings made by an administrative law
3 judge may be based upon a written agreement between the parents or upon
4 sworn testimony provided by a party at the administrative hearing for
5 child support.

6 (3) The adjustment must be based on the table in section 8 of this
7 act and the formula set forth in the worksheet for calculating
8 residential credit.

9 (4) An adjustment may not be made to the standard calculation based
10 on the shared residential schedule if:

11 (a) The adjustment would result in insufficient funds in the
12 household receiving the support transfer payment to meet the basic
13 needs of the child;

14 (b) The obligee's net income before receiving the support transfer
15 payment is at or below one hundred twenty-five percent of the federal
16 poverty level guidelines for one person; or

17 (c) The child is receiving temporary assistance for needy families.

18 (5) To help parties estimate residential credit, the division of
19 child support shall, if feasible and within available resources, create
20 a residential credit calculator available online.

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** A new section is added to chapter 26.19 RCW
22 to read as follows:

23 Residential time table. The TOTAL column represents the
24 anticipated total out-of-pocket expenses expressed as a percentage of
25 the basic child support obligation that will be incurred by the parent
26 who will pay child support. The total expenses are the sum of
27 transferred and duplicated expenses. The DUPLICATED column represents
28 the duplicated expenses and reflects the assumption that when there is
29 an equal sharing of residential time, fifty percent of the basic child
30 support obligation will be duplicated. The number of annual overnights
31 column will determine the particular fractions of TOTAL and DUPLICATED
32 to be used in the residential time credit worksheet.

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ANNUAL OVERNIGHTS			
FROM	TO	TOTAL	DUPLICATED
1	51	0.000	0.000

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1	52	55	0.062	0.011
2	56	60	0.070	0.014
3	61	65	0.080	0.020
4	66	70	0.093	0.028
5	71	75	0.108	0.038
6	76	80	0.127	0.052
7	81	85	0.150	0.070
8	86	90	0.178	0.093
9	91	95	0.211	0.122
10	96	100	0.250	0.156
11	101	105	0.294	0.195
12	106	110	0.341	0.237
13	111	115	0.388	0.280
14	116	120	0.434	0.321
15	121	125	0.476	0.358
16	126	130	0.513	0.390
17	131	135	0.544	0.417
18	136	140	0.570	0.438
19	141	145	0.591	0.454
20	146	150	0.609	0.467
21	151	155	0.623	0.476
22	156	160	0.634	0.483
23	161	165	0.644	0.488
24	166	170	0.652	0.491
25	171	175	0.660	0.494
26	176	180	0.666	0.495
27	181	183	0.675	0.500

28 **Sec. 9.** RCW 26.19.090 and 1991 sp.s. c 28 s 7 are each amended to
29 read as follows:

30 (1) The child support schedule shall be advisory and not mandatory
31 for postsecondary educational support.

32 (2)(a) When considering whether to order support for postsecondary
33 educational expenses, the court shall determine whether the child is in
34 fact dependent and is relying upon the parents for the reasonable
35 necessities of life.

36 **(b) Before determining the parents' obligations for postsecondary**
37 **educational support, the court shall consider all grants and**

1 scholarships awarded to the child, including work-study opportunities
2 if an actual work-study position is available for the child, and
3 subtract those amounts from the total cost of postsecondary educational
4 support to determine the unmet need for postsecondary educational
5 support.

6 (3) The court shall exercise its discretion when determining
7 whether and for how long to award postsecondary educational support
8 based upon consideration of factors that include but are not limited to
9 the following:

10 (a) Age of the child;

11 (b) The child's needs;

12 (c) The expectations of the parties for their children when the
13 parents were together;

14 (d) The child's prospects, desires, aptitudes, abilities or
15 disabilities;

16 (e) The nature of the postsecondary education sought; ~~((and))~~

17 (f) The parents' level of education, standard of living, and
18 current and future resources ~~((Also to be considered are))~~; and

19 (g) The amount and type of support that the child would have been
20 afforded if the parents had stayed together.

21 ~~((3))~~ (4) If one or both parents saved separately for
22 postsecondary educational support and paid those amounts directly to
23 the educational institution or the child, those amounts should be
24 considered part of the parent's share of postsecondary educational
25 support.

26 (5) The child must enroll full time, as defined by the institution
27 or as set forth in the order establishing the obligation to pay
28 postsecondary educational support, in an accredited academic or
29 vocational school, must be actively pursuing a course of study
30 commensurate with the child's vocational goals, and must be in good
31 academic standing as defined by the institution. ~~((The court ordered~~
32 postsecondary educational support shall be automatically suspended
33 during the period or periods the child fails to comply with these
34 conditions.

35 ~~((4))~~ (6)(a) Unless the support order provides otherwise, a parent
36 may suspend payment of postsecondary educational support based on the
37 child's failure to be enrolled full time, failure to actively pursue a

1 course of study commensurate with the child's vocational goals, or
2 failure to be in good academic standing as defined by the institution.

3 (b) The obligation to pay postsecondary educational support remains
4 suspended until the child is able to provide proof that the child is in
5 compliance with subsection (5) of this section.

6 (c) If there is a dispute between the parents or between the parent
7 and the child regarding the child's compliance, the child or either
8 parent may file a motion with the court to seek resolution of the
9 dispute, unless the order establishing the obligation to pay
10 postsecondary educational support provides otherwise.

11 (7) The child shall also make available all academic records and
12 grades to both parents as a condition of receiving postsecondary
13 educational support. Each parent shall have full and equal access to
14 the postsecondary education records as provided in RCW 26.09.225.

15 ~~((+5))~~ (8) The court shall not order the payment of postsecondary
16 educational expenses beyond the child's twenty-third birthday, except
17 for exceptional circumstances, such as mental, physical, or emotional
18 disabilities.

19 ~~((+6))~~ (9)(a) The court shall direct that either or both parents'
20 payments for postsecondary educational expenses be made directly to the
21 educational institution if feasible.

22 (b) If direct payments are not feasible, then the court in its
23 discretion may order that either or both parents' payments be made
24 directly to the child if the child does not reside with either parent.

25 (c) If the child resides with one of the parents the court may
26 direct that the parent making the postsecondary educational support
27 transfer payments make the payments to the child or to the parent (~~who~~
28 has been receiving the support transfer payments)) with whom the child
29 is residing. If the child's living situation changes, that change
30 shall be a basis to change the terms of the postsecondary educational
31 support transfer payment to the other parent.

32 (d) If the child's living situation changes so that the child is no
33 longer residing with either parent, both parents shall make the
34 payments to the educational institution, if feasible, or to the child.

35 **Sec. 10.** RCW 26.19.050 and 2005 c 282 s 37 are each amended to
36 read as follows:

37 (1) The administrative office of the courts shall develop and adopt

1 worksheets and instructions to assist the parties and courts in
2 establishing the appropriate child support level and apportionment of
3 support. The administrative office of the courts shall develop and
4 adopt a worksheet for calculating residential credit that is consistent
5 with the intent set forth in section 1 of this act. The administrative
6 office of the courts shall attempt to the greatest extent possible to
7 make the worksheets and instructions understandable by persons who are
8 not represented by legal counsel.

9 (2) The administrative office of the courts shall develop and adopt
10 standards for the printing of worksheets and shall establish a process
11 for certifying printed worksheets. The administrator may maintain a
12 register of sources for approved worksheets.

13 (3) The administrative office of the courts should explore methods
14 to assist pro se parties and judges in the courtroom to calculate
15 support payments through automated software, equipment, or personal
16 assistance.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** This act takes effect October 1, 2012.

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