

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 75

BY REPRESENTATIVE HARRISON

CHILDREN/SUPPORT: Provides for the rendering of an accounting

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 9:312(A), relative to child support; to provide requirements to  
3 seek an accounting; to provide for the failure to comply; to provide for contempt of  
4 court; to prohibit the court from ordering an arrest warrant; to provide for monetary  
5 penalties; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 9:312(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §312. Child support; accounting; requirements

9 A.(1) On motion of the party ordered to make child support payments  
10 pursuant to court decree, by consent or otherwise, and who is current on all support  
11 payments for at least the past six months, after a contradictory hearing and a showing  
12 of good cause based upon the expenditure of child support for the six months  
13 immediately prior to the filing of the motion, the court shall order the recipient of the  
14 support payments to render an accounting.

15 (2) Failure to comply with the requirements of this Section shall be grounds  
16 for the party ordered to make payments to file a rule for contempt of court requiring  
17 full compliance by the recipient of the payments.

18 (3) The court shall not issue a warrant for the arrest of a party for failure to  
19 comply with this Section. The court shall order financial penalties for the first six  
20 months of the contempt. The cumulative financial penalty shall not exceed five

