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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 3-119 of the general statutes is
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
5 *January 1, 2016*):

6 (a) The Comptroller shall pay all salaries and wages not less than
7 ten calendar days or more than fifteen calendar days after the close of
8 the payroll period in which the services were rendered, except as
9 provided in subsections (b) and (c) of this section, but shall draw no
10 order in payment for any service of which the payroll officer of the
11 state has official knowledge without the signed statement of the latter
12 that all employees listed on the payroll of each agency have been duly
13 appointed to authorized positions and have rendered the services for

14 which payment is to be made. The Comptroller is authorized to
15 develop, install and operate a comprehensive fully documented
16 electronic system for effective personnel data, for payment of
17 compensation to all state employees and officers and for maintenance
18 of a chronological and permanent record of compensation paid to each
19 employee and officer for the state employees retirement system and
20 other purposes. Such electronic system shall also facilitate the
21 electronic processing of an income withholding order entered by a
22 state or federal court, including any such order transmitted to the
23 Comptroller by means of the federal electronic income withholding
24 order process and issued pursuant to section 52-362, as amended by
25 this act. The Comptroller is authorized to establish an accounting
26 procedure to implement this section.

27 Sec. 2. Subsection (h) of section 31-227 of the general statutes is
28 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
29 *January 1, 2016*):

30 (h) (1) An individual filing an initial claim for unemployment
31 compensation shall, at the time of filing such claim, disclose whether
32 or not the individual owes child support obligations as defined under
33 subdivision (6) of this subsection. If any such individual discloses that
34 he or she owes child support obligations and has been determined to
35 be eligible for unemployment compensation, the administrator shall
36 notify the state or local child support enforcement agency enforcing
37 such obligation that the individual is eligible for unemployment
38 compensation.

39 (2) The administrator shall deduct and withhold from any
40 unemployment compensation payable to an individual who owes
41 child support obligations (A) the amount specified by the individual to
42 the administrator to be deducted and withheld under this subsection,
43 if neither subparagraph (B) nor (C) is applicable, or (B) the amount
44 determined pursuant to an agreement submitted to the administrator
45 under Section 654(20)(B)(i) of the Social Security Act by the state or
46 local child support enforcement agency, unless subparagraph (C) is

47 applicable, or (C) any amount otherwise required to be so deducted
48 and withheld from such unemployment compensation pursuant to
49 legal process, as defined in Section 662(e) of the Social Security Act,
50 properly served upon the administrator. For purposes of this
51 subdivision, legal process shall be deemed properly served upon the
52 administrator if such legal process is transmitted to the administrator
53 by means of the federal electronic income withholding order process.

54 (3) Any amount deducted and withheld under subdivision (2) of
55 this subsection shall be paid by the administrator to the appropriate
56 state or local child support enforcement agency.

57 (4) Any amount deducted and withheld under subdivision (2) of
58 this subsection shall for all purposes be treated as if it were paid to the
59 individual as unemployment compensation and paid by such
60 individual to the state or local child support enforcement agency in
61 satisfaction of the individual's child support obligations.

62 (5) This subsection shall be applicable only if appropriate
63 arrangements have been made for reimbursement by the state or local
64 child support enforcement agency for the administrative costs incurred
65 by the administrator under this subsection which are attributable to
66 child support obligations being enforced by such state or local child
67 support enforcement agency.

68 (6) For purposes of this subsection, the term "unemployment
69 compensation" means any compensation payable under this chapter,
70 including amounts payable by the administrator pursuant to an
71 agreement under any federal law providing for compensation,
72 assistance, or allowances with respect to unemployment; "child
73 support obligations" includes only obligations which are being
74 enforced pursuant to a plan described in Section 654 of the Social
75 Security Act which has been approved by the Secretary of Health and
76 Human Services under Part D of Title IV of the Social Security Act; and
77 "state or local child support enforcement agency" means any agency of
78 this state or a political subdivision thereof operating pursuant to a plan

79 described in Section 654 of the Social Security Act which has been
80 approved by the Secretary of Health and Human Services under Part D
81 of Title IV of the Social Security Act.

82 Sec. 3. Subsection (k) of section 52-362 of the general statutes is
83 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
84 *January 1, 2016*):

85 (k) The employer shall notify promptly the dependent or Support
86 Enforcement Services as directed when the obligor terminates
87 employment, makes a claim for workers' compensation benefits or
88 makes a claim for unemployment compensation benefits and shall
89 provide the obligor's last-known address and the name and address of
90 the obligor's new employer, if known. When the obligor makes a claim
91 for workers' compensation benefits, the employer shall include a copy
92 of any order for withholding received for the obligor with the
93 employer's first report of occupational illness or injury to the
94 employer's workers' compensation insurance carrier, and such carrier
95 shall withhold funds pursuant to the withholding order and pay any
96 sums withheld as required by subsection (f) of this section. Such
97 insurance carrier shall be subject to the same remedies for failure to
98 withhold or pay withheld sums as provided for an employer or other
99 payer of income under subsection (f) of this section.

100 Sec. 4. Section 52-362i of the general statutes is repealed and the
101 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2016*):

102 If the court or family support magistrate finds that (1) an obligor is
103 delinquent on payment of child support, or an employer or other
104 payer of income failed to withhold from income due an obligor
105 pursuant to an order for withholding or failed to pay withheld sums as
106 required pursuant to subsection (f) of section 52-362, and (2) future
107 support payments are in jeopardy, or (3) the obligor, employer or other
108 payer of income has exhibited or expressed an intention not to pay any
109 such support, the court or family support magistrate may order the
110 obligor to provide a cash deposit not to exceed the amount of four

111 times the current monthly support and arrearage obligation, to be held
 112 in escrow by the Bureau of Child Support Enforcement or Support
 113 Enforcement Services. Any funds from such cash deposit may be
 114 disbursed by the Bureau of Child Support Enforcement or Support
 115 Enforcement Services to the custodial parent upon a determination by
 116 said bureau or Support Enforcement Services that the obligor,
 117 employer or other payer of income has failed to pay the full amount of
 118 the monthly support obligation. Payment shall be in an amount that,
 119 when combined with the obligor's payment, would not exceed the
 120 monthly support obligation. Payment from such cash deposit shall not
 121 preclude a finding of delinquency during the period of time in which
 122 the obligor failed to pay current support."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	January 1, 2016	3-119(a)
Sec. 2	January 1, 2016	31-227(h)
Sec. 3	January 1, 2016	52-362(k)
Sec. 4	January 1, 2016	52-362i