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SENATE BILL **25**

AN ACT relative to the treatment of medical support in child support cases.

SPONSORS: Sen. Reagan, Dist 17

COMMITTEE: Judiciary

ANALYSIS

This bill clarifies calculation of the medical support obligation and the self support reserve in child support cases.

This bill is a request of the department of health and human services.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Thirteen

AN ACT relative to the treatment of medical support in child support cases.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 81:1 New Paragraph; Definition of Parental Support Obligation. Amend RSA 458-C:2 by
2 inserting after paragraph VIII the following new paragraph:

3 VIII-a. "Parental support obligation" means the proportional amount of the total support
4 obligation allocated to each parent under RSA 458-C:3, II(b) and (c).

5 81:2 Definition of Medical Support Obligation. Amend RSA 458-C:2, IV-a to read as follows:

6 IV-a. "Medical support obligation" means the obligation of either or both parents to provide
7 health insurance coverage for a dependent child and/or to pay a monetary sum toward the cost of
8 health insurance provided by a public entity, parent, or other person~~[, or for medical costs not~~
9 ~~covered by insurance, including payment for the cost of premiums, co-payments, and deductibles].~~

10 81:3 Child Support Formula; Calculation of Self-Support Reserve. Amend RSA 458-C:3, IV(b) to
11 read as follows:

12 (b) If the obligor parent's gross income is greater than the self-support reserve but
13 payment of the ~~[order]~~ **parental support obligation** as calculated under this chapter would reduce
14 the obligor parent's **adjusted gross** income below the self-support reserve, the ~~[obligor parent's~~
15 ~~share of the total support obligation]~~ **presumptive child support obligation** shall be ~~[presumed to~~
16 ~~be]~~ the difference between the self-support reserve and ~~[that]~~ **the obligor** parent's adjusted gross
17 income, but in any event shall be no less than the amount of a minimum support order.

18 81:4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

19 Approved: June 19, 2013

20 Effective Date: June 19, 2013