

CHAPTER 225  
HB 1632 – FINAL VERSION

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HOUSE BILL            **1632**

AN ACT                relative to child support orders for children with disabilities.

SPONSORS:            Rep. Bouchard, Merr 18; Rep. Henle, Merr 12

COMMITTEE:          Children and Family Law

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ANALYSIS

This bill clarifies that no child support order for a child with disabilities that takes effect after July 9, 2013 may continue after the child reaches 21 years of age. The bill also permits the court to reinstate a child support order for a child with disabilities that was modified or vacated between July 9, 2013 and the effective date of this act.

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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                                Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen*

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

1           225:1 Parental Rights and Responsibilities; Duration of Support for Children with Disabilities.

2 Amend RSA 461-A:14, IV to read as follows:

3           IV. The amount of a child support obligation shall remain as stated in the order until the  
4 dependent child for whom support is ordered completes his or her high school education or reaches  
5 the age of 18 years, whichever is later, or marries, or becomes a member of the armed services, at  
6 which time the child support obligation, including all educational support obligations, terminates  
7 without further legal action. If the parties have a child with disabilities, the court may initiate or  
8 continue the child support obligation after the child reaches the age of 18. No child support order for  
9 a child with disabilities ***which becomes effective after July 9, 2013*** may continue after the child  
10 reaches age 21.

11           225:2 Modification of Child Support Orders for Children with Disabilities. The court may  
12 reinstate a child support order for a child with disabilities which was in effect on July 9, 2013 and  
13 modified or vacated between July 9, 2013 and the effective date of this act.

14           225:3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

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16 Approved: July 14, 2014

17 Effective Date: July 14, 2014