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Overview

Articles 12 to 14 of H. F. 351 recodify current Minnesota laws relating to marriage dissolution, legal separation, annulment, maintenance, property division, custody, parenting time, and visitation, and recodifies and reforms Minnesota laws relating to child support, currently located in chapter 518.

Structural changes. The most obvious changes made by articles 12 to 14 relate to the reorganization of current law. Current laws relating to marriage dissolution, legal separation, annulment, maintenance, property division, custody, parenting time, visitation, and child support are interspersed throughout chapter 518 in an illogical fashion. Articles 12 to 14 would create three new chapters of Minnesota Statutes:

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Article 12: Chapter 517A: Marriage Dissolution, Legal Separation, and Annulment (including laws on property division and maintenance)

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Article 13: Chapter 517B: Custody, Parenting Time, and Visitation

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Article 14: Chapter 517C: Child Support

This new structure reorganizes existing laws in a more logical manner and will help users of the law find relevant provisions more easily.

Articles 12 to 14 also divide, wherever possible, sections of the current law into shorter statutory sections and subdivisions. The benefit of this structural change is that each separate section and subdivision has its own headnote. These headnotes will help users find relevant provisions of the law more easily.

Stylistic changes. Articles 12 to 14 also contain a number of stylistic changes to make the laws easier to read and use. These articles rewrite provisions of current law, where necessary, to clarify and simplify confusing or ambiguous provisions. Articles 12 to 14 also update terminology to make it conform with the parenting plan provisions enacted in the 2000 legislative session.

Substantive changes. Articles 12 to 14 do make several substantive changes to current law. The only substantive change in article 12, which recodifies current laws relating to marriage dissolution, legal separation, and annulment, is that it adds language requiring a court to conduct a six-month review of all child support and parenting time orders, unless the review is waived in writing by the parties. There are no substantive changes in article 13, which recodifies current laws relating to custody, parenting time, and visitation.

Article 14, which recodifies current laws relating to child support, contains the majority of the substantive changes. Although all of the text in article 14 is "new" language, many of the provisions are derived from current provisions relating to child support in chapter 518. These sections are reorganized in a more logical fashion and are categorized as follows:

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general provisions (title, definitions, child support orders, etc.)

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calculating child support;

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modifying a child support order;

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role of the public authority (the government agency responsible for child support enforcement);

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paying child support; and

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enforcing a child support order.

Article 14 also contains several substantive changes to current child support laws. Specifically, this article establishes a new methodology and formula for calculating child support that uses an "income shares" model. This approach means that child support, including the basic needs, child care needs, and medical support of a child, is calculated using the parents' *combined* income. Under current law, only the obligor's income is considered when calculating child support. Article 14 also calculates child support using gross income. A derivation of net income is used under current law. Article 14 also reforms current law regarding medical support and expands the medical support bonus incentive program to all cases in which the county agency provides child support enforcement services.

Article 14 also establishes a presumptive child support worksheet that a court must use to determine child support. The worksheet includes the specific calculations necessary to determine a child support order. In addition, article 14 provides criteria for setting a minimum child support amount for low-income obligors. This article also provides for an adjustment to the amount of child support when an obligor's parenting time approximates joint physical custody. Article 14 also provides that a court may order an obligee to account for the child support received and spent if an obligor establishes specific allegations of abuse or misapplication of the child support received and that the child's needs are not being met. This article also provides that an obligor whose driver's license is suspended for nonpayment of child support may be issued a limited license under certain circumstances.

Summaries. The remainder of this bill summary consists of summaries of articles 12 and 13, and a detailed section-by-section summary of article 14. Because, with one exception, articles 12 and 13 do not intend to be a substantive revision of current law and instead, reorganize and make stylistic changes to current law, a detailed section-by-section summary of these articles is not included.

The summary of article 14 includes a chart summarizing the changes to the child support laws, including the proposed new codification section, a short description of the provision, the statutory derivation in current law for the provision, if any, and an explanation of any changes made to current law, if any.

Article 12

Marriage Dissolution, Legal Separation, and Annulment

Section

- 1 **Six-month review.** Adds § 517A.25. Requires a decree of dissolution or legal separation or an order establishing child custody, parenting time, or support rights to contain a review date six months after the decree or order is entered. Requires a court to review at the six-month hearing whether child support is current and whether both parties are complying with the parenting time provisions of the order. Permits the parties to waive the review by filing an affidavit with the court. Requires the court administrator to send the parties written notice of the hearing.
- 40240 **Changes to current law.** Makes technical and stylistic changes to current law. Reorganizes and relocates provisions of current law more logically to make the provisions easier to find. Strikes provisions relating to child support incorporated in article 14.
- 41 **Instruction to revisor.** Instructs the revisor to renumber certain sections in chapter 518 to reorganize the chapter, and make necessary cross-reference changes.
- 42 **Repealer.** Repeals section 518.64, subdivisions 4, 4a, and 5, (relating to child support). These provisions are included in article 14.

Article 13
Custody, Parenting Time, and Visitation

- 1 **Definitions.** Adds § 517B.01. Under the recodification, this section will include the definitions of custody and parenting time from section 518.003, subdivisions 3 and 5.
- 727 **Reorganized provisions.** Reorganizes and relocates provisions from sections 518.17, 518.177, and 518.185 of current law. Clarifies and updates language and makes minor technical changes.
- 45845 **Changes to current law.** Makes technical and stylistic changes to current law. Reorganizes and relocates provisions of current law more logically to make the provisions easier to find.
- 46 **Instruction to revisor.** Instructs the revisor to number certain sections in chapter 518 to reorganize the chapter, and make necessary cross-reference changes.
- 47 **Repealer.** Repeals sections 518.17 (custody and support of children on judgment); and 518.185 (affidavit practice). These provisions are recodified, without substantive changes, in sections 2, 5, 6, and 7 of this article.

Article 14

		Child Support		
<u>Section</u>	<u>New Codification Section</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Derivation Section</u>	<u>Comments/Changes</u> ⁽¹⁾
1	--	Limited license	171.186, subd. 4	Requires the commissioner of public safety to issue a limited license to a person whose license has been suspended for nonpayment of support upon receipt of a court order or notice from a public authority that states: (1) the driver is in arrears in court-ordered child support in an amount equal to three to six times the obligor's total monthly payment; and (2) the obligor's employment, attendance at employment-related education or training, or compliance with court-ordered parenting time depends upon the use of a driver's license.
2	--	Conditions of issuance	171.30, subd. 1	Requires the commissioner of public safety to issue a limited license to a driver when ordered by the court or directed by the public authority.
3	--	Medical support bonus incentives	256.9791	Expands the medical support bonus incentive program. Provides that a county agency may receive a bonus incentive payment for each child for whom it identifies or enforces dependent health coverage in all cases in which the county agency provides child support enforcement services. (Current law limits the program to cases in which the county agency provides child support enforcement services for

				families receiving public assistance.)
4	517C.01	Title	None	Adds title to act
5	517C.02	Definitions	Various	-
				Combines all child support definitions with general applicability into one section.
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				Some special definitions with limited applicability are used later in chapter.
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				Adds definition of subsequent child for clarity.
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				Omits definition of IV-D case as obsolete under this recodification.
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				Omits definitions relating to maintenance and marital property (currently defined in section 518.54) that are included in chapter 517A.
	517C.02, subd. 1	Scope of definitions	518.54, subd. 1	Minor technical changes
	517C.02, subd. 2	Definition of arrears	518.54, subd. 13	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.02, subd. 3	Definition of business day	518.6111, subd. 1, para. (c)	
	517C.02, subd. 4	Definition of child	518.54, subd. 2	
	517C.02, subd. 5	Definition of child support	518.54, subd. 4	Minor technical changes. Omits reference in current law to support money.
	517C.02, subd. 6	Definition of deposit account	518.54, subd. 2a	
	517C.02, subd. 7	Definition of financial institution	518.54, subd. 2b	
	517C.02, subd. 8	Definition of obligee	518.54, subd. 7	Minor technical changes. Omits reference in current law to maintenance.

	517C.02, subd. 9	Definition of obligor	518.54, subd. 8	Minor technical changes. Omits reference in current law to maintenance.
	517C.02, subd. 10	Definition of payment	518.5851, subd. 4	Minor technical changes. Omits reference in current law to maintenance.
	517C.02, subd. 11	Definition of payor of funds	518.6111, subd. 1, para. (b)	Minor technical changes.
	517C.02, subd. 12	Definition of public authority	518.54, subd. 9	Clarifies language
	517C.02, subd. 13	Definition of subsequent child	None	New term describing a child born after the child who is the subject of the child support proceeding.
	517C.02, subd. 14	Definition of support order	518.54, subd. 4a	Minor technical changes. Clarifies language. Omits reference in current law to maintenance.
	517C.02, subd. 15	Definition of tribunal	518.5851, subd. 5	
6	517C.03	Procedural rules	None	Provides that the supreme court may promulgate rules to be used in child support cases. The supreme court does not need statutory authority to promulgate court rules. However, this reference will alert people reading the statutes that court rules are also applicable.
7	517C.04, subd. 1	Child support order	518.57, subd. 1; 518.66	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.04, subd. 2	Provisions	None	Adds language clarifying current law that child support orders must provide for basic needs, medical care, and child care costs.
	517C.04, subd. 3	Agreements	518.551, subd. 5, para. (a)	Clarifies language. Provides that a court must review a stipulation or agreement of the parties relating to child support to ensure that it serves the best interests of the child.
	517C.04, subd. 4	Preference for specific dollar amount	518.551, subd. 5, para. (a)	Provides preference for ordering child support in a specific dollar amount. (Current law generally requires support to be ordered in a specific dollar amount.)
	517C.04, subd. 5	Preference for monthly payment	None	Provides preference for ordering child support payments in an amount that reflects an obligor's monthly obligation.
	517C.04, subd. 6	Preference for static payment	518.57, subd. 2; 518.68, subd. 2	Provides preference for the same payment amounts throughout the year. (Current law provides that payment amounts may fluctuate during the year.)
	517C.04,	Accounting for child	None	Provides that a court may order an obligee

	subd. 7	support by obligee		to account for child support received if, upon a motion, an obligor establishes specific allegations of abuse or misapplication of the child support received and that a child's needs are not being met. Provides for possible remedies if the obligee does not make the court-ordered accounting or does not spend child support payments on behalf of the child. Also provides that a court may award attorney fees to the obligee if the court determines that an obligor's motion is brought in bad faith.
	517C.04, subd. 8	Departure	None	Provides the circumstances in which a court may depart from the preferences in subdivisions 4, 5, and 6.
	517C.04, subd. 9	Child support to be distinguished from maintenance	518.55, subd. 1	Clarifies and updates language. Omits provisions in current law relating to maintenance awards.
	517C.04, subd. 10	Other custodians	518.57, subd. 4	
	517C.04, subd. 11	Either parent liable; marital misconduct	518.551, subd. 5, para. (a)	
8	517C.05, subd. 1	Motion for temporary orders; scope	518.131, subd. 1	Clarifies and updates language relating to the process a party may use to bring a motion for a temporary order during a child support proceeding. Omits references in current law to process used in marriage dissolution, maintenance, and custody proceedings. This language is reproduced, if applicable, in articles 12 and 13 for those proceedings.
	517C.05, subd. 2	Duration	518.131, subd. 5	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.05, subd. 3	Factors	518.131, subd. 7	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.05, subd. 4	Evidence	518.131, subd. 8	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.05, subd. 5	Limited effect	518.131, subd. 9, para. (a)	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.05, subd. 6	Modification	518.131, subd. 9, para. (b)	Clarifies and updates language
9	517C.06	Determination of controlling order	518.55, subd. 4	Provides that a party may request a court to determine a controlling order when more than one order exists. (Current law vests this authority in the district court. This language would also permit child support

				magistrates to determine a controlling order.)
10	517C.07	Attorney fees; costs and disbursements; general	518.14, subd. 1	Clarifies and updates language
11	517C.10, subd. 1	Exchange of information; documentation	518.551, subd. 5b, para. (a)	Provides that parties must timely exchange earnings and income documentation. Omits requirement from current law that documents must be filed within 10 days of the prehearing conference. (Current court rules require documents to be filed within five days of the prehearing conference.)
	517C.10, subd. 2	Annual exchange of tax returns	518.551, subd. 5b, para. (b)	Requires parties to exchange federal tax returns annually. (Current law permits parties to request a tax return from the other party once every two years.) Section 12 permits the court to modify this requirement if necessary to protect a party.
	517C.10, subd. 3	Notice of address or residence change	518.55, subd. 3	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.10, subd. 4	Notice to public authority; public assistance	518.551, subd. 5, para. (a)	
	517C.10, subd. 5	Failure of notice	518.551, subd. 6	Minor technical changes. Corrects cross references.
12	517C.11, subd. 1	Privacy protection; personal protection; social security numbers	518.146	Corrects cross reference
	517C.11, subd. 2	Modification of certain requirements	518.55, subd. 3	
	517C.11, subd. 3	Access to address for service of process	518.255, subd. 2	Minor technical changes
13	517C.12, subd. 1	Income; gross income	None	Provides that income means gross income for purposes of calculating child support. (Under current law, an obligor's net income is used to calculate child support.)
	517C.12, subd. 2	Sources	518.54, subd. 6; 518.551, subd. 5, para. (b), cl. (1)	Clarifies language.
	517C.12, subd. 3	Commissions; bonuses	None	Provides that a court may include reliable and predictable commissions or bonuses in income calculations. (Under current law, a court may order that a percentage share of commissions or bonuses be paid to an obligee.)

	517C.12, subd. 4	Self-employment; independent contractors	518.551, subd. 5b, para. (f)	Minor technical changes
	517C.12, subd. 5	Public assistance exclusions	518.54, subd. 6	
	517C.12, subd. 6	Overtime	518.551, subd. 5, para. (b), cl. (2); 518.64, subd. 2, para. (c), cl. (2)	Provides that certain overtime employment not be considered when setting support. Clarifies and updates language.
	517C.12, subd. 7	Income of a spouse or other household member	518.551, subd. 5, para. (b), cl. (1); 518.64, subd. 2, para. (c), cl. (1)	Provides that income of spouse or other household member may not be considered when setting child support. Provides for discovery of a spouse's or household member's financial information if there is probable cause to believe that income is being improperly shielded from a party.
14	517C.12, subd. 8	Prior orders being paid	518.551, subd. 5, para. (b)	
	517C.13, subd. 1	Imputed income; nonappearance of a party	518.551, subd. 5b, para. (c)	Corrects cross reference
	517C.13, subd. 2	Voluntary unemployment or under-employment	518.551, subd. 5b, para. (d) and (e)	Clarifies and updates language. Provides that income imputation applies equally to obligors and obligees.
	517C.13, subd. 3	Insufficient information	518.551, subd. 5b, para. (e)	Corrects cross reference
15	517C.14, subd. 1	Presumptive child support order; rebuttable presumption	518.551, subd. 5, para (i)	Corrects cross reference
	517C.14, subd. 2	Substantial unfairness; minimum support amount	None	Adds a substantial unfairness test and criteria for setting a minimum support amount for an obligor. Provides that a support order is substantially unfair if it leaves an obligor with income less than 150 percent of the federal poverty guidelines. In such a case, requires a court to consider the income and needs of both parties. Also requires that a court not order support in an amount less than \$50 per child unless the obligor completely lacks the ability to pay. (Under current law, an obligor with a net income less than \$550 per month is ordered to pay support based on the obligor's ability to pay.)
	517C.14,	Child support cap	518.551, subd.	Provides for a cap on the amount of the

	subd. 3		5, para. (b); 518.551, subd. 5, para. (k)	basic needs obligation in a child support order. Current law provides for a similar cap. Adds language permitting a court to order support in excess of the capped amount if the child has a disability or other substantial, demonstrated need.
	517C.14, subd. 4	Child care costs	518.551, subd. 5, para. (b)	Provides for allocation of child care costs. Clarifies language and corrects cross references. Omits formula from current law for allocating child care costs, which is replaced with an income shares formula in section 17 of this article.
	517C.14, subd. 5	Parenting time adjustments	None	Adds guidelines for applying the proper parenting time adjustment in the calculating child support. Provides that parenting time approximates joint physical custody if a parent provides care at least 45 percent of the days in a year. Provides an adjustment to an obligor's basic needs obligation if each parent provides parenting time that approximates joint physical custody.
	517C.14, subd. 6	Child's insurance benefit	518.551, subd. 5, para. (l)	Minor technical changes
	517C.14, subd. 7	More than six children	None	Provides that a court need not specifically follow the guidelines in cases involving more than six children.
16	517C.15, subd. 1	Medical support; definitions	None	Defines health care coverage, health carrier, health plan, medical support, national medical support notice, public coverage, uninsured medical expenses, and unreimbursed medical expenses.
	517C.15, subd. 2	Order	518.171, subd. 1, para. (a)	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.15, subd. 3	Determination of appropriate coverage	None	Provides criteria a court must consider in determining whether a party has appropriate health care coverage for a child. The criteria are whether coverage is accessible, comprehensive, and affordable, and the child's special medical needs, if any. Also provides that, if both parties have health care coverage available and the coverage is comparable with regard to accessibility and comprehensiveness, the least costly coverage is the appropriate coverage.
	517C.15, subd. 4	Coverage	None	Adds provisions that a court must consider when determining whether to order an obligor or obligee to carry health care

			coverage for a child. Also provides what a court must order when neither party has appropriate health care coverage for a child. Requires a court to order the least costly health care coverage if the parties' coverage for the child is comparable with regard to accessibility and comprehensiveness.
517C.15, subd. 5	Calculating medical support; unreimbursed medical expenses	518.171, subd. 1, para. (c)	Provides that a court divide the costs of health care coverage and unreimbursed medical expenses between the parties based on each party's proportionate share of the parties' combined gross income (an income shares approach).
517C.15, subd. 6	Allocating medical support costs	None	Adds provisions regarding allocating costs for health care coverage between the parties.
517C.15, subd. 7	Notice to employer by public authority or court	518.171, subd. 3	Clarifies and updates language. Adds provisions regarding when the public authority or party seeking to enforce an order for medical support may send a national medical support notice or court order to the employer of the party ordered to carry health care coverage for the child.
517C.15, subd. 8	Effect of order	518.171, subd. 4, para. (a)	Clarifies and updates language. Requires an employer or union to enroll a child in the party's health plan as required by a national medical support notice or court order. Requires a health plan administrator to provide the public authority and parties with certain information about the health care coverage.
517C.15, subd. 9	Contesting enrollment	518.171, subd. 4, para. (a) and para. (b) (first sentence)	Clarifies and updates language
517C.15, subd. 10	Employer or union requirements	518.171, subd. 4, para. (b) and para. (d)	Clarifies and updates language in current law. Requires an employer to send the national medical support notice to its health plan within 20 business days of the date on the notice.
517C.15, subd. 11	Employer liability	518.171, subd. 4, para. (c)	Clarifies and updates language
517C.15, subd. 12	Disenrollment; continuation of coverage; options in coverage	518.171, subd. 5	Clarifies and updates language. Provides that a child enrolled in health care coverage pursuant to an order is entitled to the opportunity to elect continued coverage upon expiration of the order.

	517C.15, subd. 13	Spousal or former spousal coverage	518.171, subd. 2	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.15, subd. 14	Plan reimbursement	518.171, subd. 6, para. (a)	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.15, subd. 15	Correspondence and notice	518.171, subd. 6, para (b) (first sentence)	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.15, subd. 16	Disclosure of information	518.171, subd. 2a; 518.171, subd. 7	Clarifies and updates language. Adds provisions regarding when the parties, employer, union, or plan administrator must give certain information relating to the health care coverage to the public authority.
	517C.15, subd. 17	Application for child support enforcement services.	518.171, subd. 9	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.15, subd. 18	Enforcement	518.171, subd. 10; 518.171, subd. 8, para. (b)	Clarifies and updates language. Adds provisions regarding enforcing medical support.
	517C.15, subd. 19	Collecting unreimbursed and uninsured medical expenses	None	Adds provisions regarding collecting unreimbursed and uninsured medical expenses.
	517C.15, subd. 20	Enforcing an order for medical support arrears	None	Adds provisions regarding the procedures to enforce and collect medical support arrears.
17	517C.16	Presumptive child support worksheet	None	Provides the worksheet a court must use to calculate child support. Includes formula for calculating basic needs, parenting time adjustment, child care needs, and medical support. Utilizes an income shares formula.
18	517C.17, subd. 1	Deviations; general factors	518.551, subd. 5, para. (c)	Minor technical changes. Corrects cross references. Also provides that a court may consider whether a child spends between 33 and 45 percent of overnights with an obligor pursuant to court order or with the consent of the obligee, which results in an increased financial burden to the obligor when setting or modifying child support or in determining when to deviate from the guidelines.
	517C.17, subd. 2	Debt	518.551, subd. 5, para. (d) to (g)	Minor technical changes. Corrects cross references.
	517C.17,	Evidence	518.551, subd.	Minor technical changes

	subd. 3		5, para. (h)	
	517C.17, subd. 4	No deviation when payments are made to the public authority except for extreme hardship	518.551, subd. 5, para. (j)	Minor technical changes
	517C.17, subd. 5	No departure based on joint legal custody	518.17, subd. 6	Minor technical changes
19	517C.18, subd. 1	Written findings; no deviation	518.551, subd. 5, para. (i)	Minor technical changes
	517C.18, subd. 2	Deviation	518.551, subd. 5, para. (i)	Corrects cross references
	517C.18, subd. 3	Written findings required in every case	518.551, subd. 5, para. (i)	Minor technical changes. Corrects cross references.
20	517C.19	Guidelines review	518.551, subd. 5c	Requires review of child support guidelines no later than 2002. Omits obsolete date in current law.
21	517C.20	Education trust fund	518.551, subd. 5d	
22	517.25, subd. 1	Modification; general; authority	518.64, subd. 1	Clarifies and updates language.
	517.25, subd. 2	Guidelines remain applicable	None	Provides that the guidelines remain applicable when a court modifies a child support order.
	517.25, subd. 3	Evidentiary hearing not required	518.64, subd. 2, para. (f)	Minor technical change. Omits reference to maintenance in current law.
	517.25, subd. 4	Form	518.64, subd. 5	Provides that the state court administrator's office prepare and make available a form to be submitted in support of a motion to modify child support or for contempt of court.
23	517.26	Reopening an order	518.145, subd. 2	Minor technical changes
24	517.27, subd. 1	Change in custody or parenting time; official change in custody	518.18, para. (f)	Minor technical changes
	517.27, subd. 2	Unofficial change in custody	518.57, subd. 3	Minor technical changes
	517.27, subd. 3	30-day change	518.551, subd. 5e	Corrects cross reference
25	517C.28, subd. 1	Substantial change in circumstances, earnings or needs;	518.64, subd. 2, para. (a); 518.64, subd.	Minor technical changes. Corrects cross references.

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	517C.28, subd. 2	Presumptions	518.64, subd. 2, para. (b)	Minor technical changes. Corrects cross references.
	517C.28, subd. 3	Subsequent child	518.64, subd. 2, para. (a); 518.551, subd. 5f	Minor technical changes. Corrects cross references.
26	517C.29	Modification effective date; retroactive modification permitted only in limited circumstances	518.64, subd. 2, para. (d)	Clarifies and updates language
27	517C.30, subd. 1	Termination of child support; death of obligor	518.64, subd 4	
	517C.30, subd. 2	Automatic termination	518.64, subd 4a	Minor technical changes
28	517C.31, subd. 1	Cost-of-living adjustments; general	518.641, subd. 1	Minor technical change. Omits reference in current law to maintenance.
	517C.31, subd. 2	Request for cost-of-living clause	518.641, subd. 5	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.31, subd. 3	Waiver	518.641, subd. 1	
	517C.31, subd. 4	Index; amount	518.641, subd. 1	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.31, subd. 5	Effective date	518.641, subd. 1	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.31, subd. 6	Conditions	518.641, subd. 2	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.31, subd. 7	Contest; grounds; hearing	518.641, subd. 2 and 3	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.31, subd. 8	Form	518.641, subd. 4	Minor technical changes
	517C.31, subd. 9	Rules	518.641, subd. 1	
29	517C.35, subd. 1	Assignment; general	518.551, subd. 1, para. (b)	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.35, subd. 2	Judgments	518.551, subd. 9, para. (a)	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.35, subd. 3	Property lien	518.57, subd. 1	
30	517C.36, subd. 1	Party status; when a party receives public assistance	518.551, subd. 9, para. (a)	Clarifies and updates language

	517C.36, subd. 2	No public assistance; application for services	518.551, subd. 9, para. (b)	Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross reference.
31	517C.37, subd. 1	Role of the public authority; public authority does not represent obligor or obligee	518.255, subd. 1, para. (a)	
	517C.37, subd. 2	Written notice	518.255, subd. 1, para. (b)	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.37, subd. 3	Power to represent other public authorities	518.551, subd. 1, para. (b)	Clarifies and updates language
32	517C.38	Service fees	518.551, subd. 7	Clarifies and updates language
33	517C.39	Public authority procedures for child support and parentage orders	518.5513, subd. 1	Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross reference.
34	517C.40	Nonattorney employee duties	518.5513, subd. 2, para. (a) to (d)	Minor technical changes
35	517C.41	Financial worksheet	518.5513, subd. 3	Clarifies and updates language
36	517C.42	Noncontested matters	518.5513, subd. 4	
37	517C.43	Administrative authority; parentage support	518.5513, subd. 5	Corrects cross references
38	517C.44, subd. 1	Sharing of information; data; general	518.5513, subd. 6	Minor technical change
	517C.44, subd. 2	Data disclosed to an attorney of the public authority	518.255, subd. 1, para. (c) and (d)	
	517C.44, subd. 3	Prohibited disclosure	518.005, subd. 5	
39	517C.45	Sufficiency of notice	518.111	
40	517C.50, subd. 1	Child support payment center; central collection unit; creation	518.5852	Minor technical changes. Clarifies and updates language.
	517C.50, subd. 2	Creditor collections	518.5851, subd. 6	Minor technical change
41	517C.51	Mandatory payment of obligation to	518.5853	Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross references.

		central collections unit		
42	517C.52; subd 1	Income withholding; general; application	518.6111, subd. 2	Corrects cross references
	517C.52, subd. 2	Order	518.6111, subd. 3	Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross references
	517C.52, subd. 3	Notice; income withholding and collection services	518.6111, subd. 4	Minor technical changes
	517C.52, subd. 4	Contract for service	518.6111, subd. 15	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.52, subd. 5	Electronic transmission	518.6111, subd. 18	Minor technical changes
43	517C.53	Waiver of income withholding	518.6111, subd. 16	Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross reference
44	517C.54, subd. 1	Payor of funds responsibilities; activation	518.6111, subd. 5, para. (a)	
	517C.54, subd. 2	Procedure	518.6111, subd. 5, para. (b)	Minor technical changes. Corrects cross references.
	517C.54, subd. 3	Retaliation prohibited	518.6111, subd. 5, para. (c)	Minor technical change. Corrects cross reference.
	517C.54, subd. 4	Updated orders	518.6111, subd. 9, para. (b)	Minor technical changes
	517C.54, subd. 5	Notification of termination	518.6111, subd. 5, para. (e)	Minor technical changes
	517C.54, subd. 6	Expenses	518.6111, subd. 5, para. (f)	Corrects cross reference
45	517C.55	Lump-sum payments	518.6111, subd. 11	Clarifies and updates language
46	517C.56, subd. 1	Payor of funds liability; liability of obligee	518.6111, subd. 5, para. (c)	Minor technical changes. Corrects cross references.
	517C.56, subd. 2	Nonliability for compliance	518.6111, subd. 17	Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross reference.
47	517C.57	Employer contempt	518.615	Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross references.
48	517C.58, subd. 1	Priority of income withholding orders; maximum withholding; priority	518.6111, subd. 9, para. (a)	Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross reference.

	517C.58, subd. 2		518.6111, subd. 5, para. (d)	Minor technical changes
49	517C.59, subd. 1	Subsequent income withholding; application	518.6111, subd. 7, para. (a)	Minor technical change
	517C.59, subd. 2	When the public authority is a party	518.6111, subd. 7, para. (b)	Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross references.
	517C.59, subd. 3	When the public authority is not a party	518.6111, subd. 7, para. (c)	Clarifies and updates language.
	517C.59, subd. 4	Notice	518.6111, subd. 7, para. (d)	Minor technical changes.
	517C.59, subd. 5	Contest	518.6111, subd. 8	Minor technical changes.
50	517C.60	Income withholding; arrears order	518.6111, subd. 10	Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross reference.
51	517C.61	Interstate income withholding	518.6111, subd. 12	Minor technical changes
52	517C.62, subd. 1	Order terminating income withholding; general procedure	518.6111, subd. 13	Clarifies and updates language
	517C.62, subd. 2	Termination by public authority	518.6111, subd. 14	Clarifies and updates language
53	517C.63	Child support deposit account; financial institution	518.6111, subd. 6	Minor technical changes
54	517C.64	Escrow account	518.614	Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross references.
55	517C.65	Trustee	518.61	Clarifies and updates language. Omits provision in current law permitting the public authority to represent a person entitled to receive support or maintenance because the provision contradicts current law and policy. Also omits provision in current law permitting a county attorney to institute a proceeding against a person who is beyond the jurisdiction of the court because the provision is superfluous and unnecessary.
56	517C.66	Overpayments	518.642	Minor technical changes. Omits references in current law to maintenance.
57	517C.67	Alternate notice of court order	518.646	Clarifies and updates language

58	517C.70	Child support and parenting time are independent	518.612	Clarifies and updates language
59	517C.705	Six-month review	None	Adds language providing that a child support order or decree must contain a review date for six months after the order or decree is entered. This language is consistent with the six-month review requirements in section 517A.25.
60	517C.71, subd. 1	Payment agreements; general requirements	None	Adds language clarifying the requirements for payment agreements in cases where an obligor has child support arrears.
	517C.71, subd. 2	Considerations	518.553	Minor technical changes
61	517C.72	Seek employment orders	518.616	Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross reference.
62	517C.73	Order for community services	518.551, subd. 5a	Minor technical changes. Corrects cross reference.
63	517C.74	Contempt proceedings for nonpayment of support	518.617	Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross references. Omits references in current law to maintenance.
64	517C.745	Security; sequestration; contempt	518.24	Corrects cross reference. Omits references in current law to maintenance.
65	517C.75	Driver's license suspension	518.551, subd. 13	Reorganizes current law. Clarifies and updates language. Provides that an obligor may be issued a limited license if a court finds, or the public authority determines, that: (1) the obligor has child support amounting to three to six times the obligor's total monthly support obligation and the obligor is not in compliance with a payment agreement; and (2) the obligor's employment, attendance at employment-related education or training, or compliance with court-ordered parenting time depends upon the use of a driver's license.
66	517C.76	Occupational license suspension	518.551, subd. 12	Reorganizes current law. Clarifies and updates language.
67	517C.77	Data on suspensions for support arrears	518.551, subd. 13a	Corrects cross references
68	517C.78	Recreational license suspension	518.551, subd. 15	Clarifies and updates language
69	517C.79	Motor vehicle lien	518.551, subd.14	Reorganizes current law. Clarifies and updates language.
70	517C.80	Publication of names	518.575	Minor technical changes

		of delinquent child support obligors			
71	517C.81	Collection; arrears	518.6195		Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross references.
72	517C.82	Case reviewer	518.618		Minor technical change
73	517C.83	Attorney fees; collection costs	518.14, subd. 2		Clarifies and updates language
74	517C.99	Required notices	518.68		Clarifies and updates language. Corrects cross references.
75		Instruction to revisor			Instructs the revisor to make cross-reference changes in statutes and rules to conform to the provisions in the Minnesota Child Support Act.
76		Repealer			Repeals child support laws from chapter 518 that are recodified in, or omitted from, article 14.
77		Effective date			Provides that the Minnesota Child Support Act be effective July 1, 2001.

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