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Overview

This bill permits modification of a child support order based on cost of living differences if a child lives in a foreign country.

Section

- 1** **Modification of Maintenance or child support orders.** Establishes a presumption of a substantial change in circumstances making the terms of a child support order unreasonable and unfair. If a deviation was granted under the terms of section 2 of the bill, but the child cannot maintain a comparable living standard because the child no longer resides in the foreign country, the terms of the child support orders may be modified.
- 2** **Factors for Consideration.** When setting or modifying child support, or determining whether to deviate from the presumptive child support obligation, a court is required to consider whether the child is able to maintain a comparable standard of living with a lower amount of child support as a result of the child living in foreign country.