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H.B. No. 822

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to property subject to a child support lien.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter G, Chapter 157, Family Code, is amended by adding Section 157.3175 to read as follows:

Sec. 157.3175. OBLIGOR'S INCOME NOT SUBJECT TO CHILD SUPPORT LIEN. (a) A child support lien does not attach to an obligor's earnings.

(b) This subchapter does not require an employer of an obligor to withhold income from the obligor's earnings to satisfy a child support lien against the obligor's property. An employer of an obligor may withhold income from the obligor's earnings only for the payment of child support arrearages owed by the obligor as provided by Chapter 158.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2003.