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S.B. No. 517

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the application of the child support guidelines in a  
3 suit affecting the parent-child relationship.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subsection (a-1), Section 154.125, Family Code,  
6 is amended to read as follows:

7 (a-1) The dollar amount prescribed by Subsection (a) is  
8 adjusted every six years as necessary to reflect inflation. The  
9 Title IV-D agency shall compute the adjusted amount, to take effect  
10 beginning September 1 of the year of the adjustment, based on the  
11 percentage change in the consumer price index during the 72-month  
12 ~~[preceding six-year]~~ period preceding March 1 of the year of the  
13 adjustment ~~[in the consumer price index]~~, as rounded to the nearest  
14 \$50 increment. The Title IV-D agency shall publish the adjusted  
15 amount in the Texas Register before September 1 of the year in which  
16 the adjustment takes effect. For purposes of this subsection,  
17 "consumer price index" has the meaning assigned by Section 341.201,  
18 Finance Code.

19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.