
DIGEST

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HB No. 459

Abstract: Prohibits DCFS from proceeding in a child support matter absent a paternity test.

Present law authorizes DCFS to implement programs to assist enforcing, collecting, and distributing a support obligation owed to a child, to locate absent parents, to establish paternity, and to obtain and modify family, child, and medical support orders.

Present law allows DCFS to proceed in establishing a support order against a father whose name appears on the birth certificate without first establishing paternity.

Proposed law changes present law by requiring DCFS to have received the results of a paternity test before pursuing a court order of support against an alleged father.

(Amends R.S. 46:236.1.2(D)(2))