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1 AN ACT Relating to collection of delinquent child support; adding
2 a new section to chapter 26.23 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 26.23 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) The office of support enforcement shall enter into contracts
7 with collection agencies for collection of accounts that the office of
8 support enforcement is unsuccessful in collecting after twelve months.
9 The listing collection agency shall not assess the department any fee.
10 All fees collected shall be in addition to the amount of the debt owed
11 by the delinquent party and shall be assessed to the delinquent party
12 not to exceed twenty percent of the amount owed. All child support
13 collected by the collection agency shall be paid to the state.

14 (2) The department shall monitor each case that it refers to a
15 collection agency.

16 (3) The department shall evaluate the effectiveness of entering
17 into contracts for services under this section.

1 (4) The department shall provide annual reports to the legislature
2 on the results of its analysis under subsections (2) and (3) of this
3 section for the first three years after the effective date of this act.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
5 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
6 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
7 effect immediately.

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