

**252B.14 Support payments — collection services center — clerk of the district court.**

1. For the purposes of [this section](#), “*support order*” includes any order entered pursuant to [chapter 234](#), [252A](#), [252C](#), [598](#), [600B](#), or any other support chapter or proceeding which establishes support payments as defined in [section 252D.16](#) or [598.1](#).

2. For support orders being enforced by the child support recovery unit, support payments made pursuant to the order shall be directed to and disbursed by the collection services center.

3. With the exception of support payments to which [subsection 2 or 4](#) applies, support payments made pursuant to an order shall be directed to and disbursed by the clerk of the district court in the county in which the order for support is filed. The clerk of the district court may require the obligor to submit payments by bank draft or money order if the obligor submits an insufficient funds support payment to the clerk of the district court.

4. By October 1, 1999, for a support order to which [subsection 2](#) does not apply, regardless of the terms of the support order directing or redirecting the place of payment, support payments made through income withholding by a payor of income as provided in [chapter 252D](#) shall be directed to and disbursed by the collection services center. The judicial branch and the department shall develop and implement a plan to notify payors of income of this requirement and the effective date of the requirement applicable to the respective payor of income.

5. If the collection services center is receiving and disbursing payments pursuant to a support order, but the unit is not providing other services under Tit. IV-D of the federal Social Security Act, or if the order is not being enforced by the unit, the parties to that order are not considered to be receiving services under [this chapter](#).

6. Payments to persons other than the clerk of the district court or the collection services center do not satisfy the support obligations created by a support order or judgment, except as provided for in [sections 598.22](#) and [598.22A](#).

[86 Acts, ch 1246, §316; 87 Acts, ch 228, §31; 88 Acts, ch 1218, §2; 90 Acts, ch 1224, §10; 91 Acts, ch 177, §3; 93 Acts, ch 79, §41; 97 Acts, ch 175, §42, 43; 98 Acts, ch 1047, §68; 98 Acts, ch 1170, §4; 2010 Acts, ch 1061, §180](#)

Crediting of support payments ordered on or after July 1, 1985; §598.22A