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HUMAN RESOURCES

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the computation of interest on a medical
 2 assistance debt.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 535.3, Code 1999, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 535.3 INTEREST ON JUDGMENTS, AND DECREES, AND CLAIMS.

4 1. Interest shall be allowed on all money due on judgments
5 and decrees of courts at a rate calculated according to
6 section 668.13, except for interest due pursuant to section
7 85.30 for which the rate shall be ten percent per year.

8 2. Interest on periodic payments for child, spousal, or
9 medical support shall not accrue until thirty days after the
10 payment becomes due and owing and shall accrue at a rate of
11 ten percent per annum thereafter. Additionally, interest on
12 these payments shall not accrue on amounts being paid through
13 income withholding pursuant to chapter 252D for the time these
14 payments are unpaid solely because the date on which the payor
15 of income withholds income based upon the payor's regular pay
16 cycle varies from the provisions of the support order.

17 3. Interest on a medical assistance debt due pursuant to
18 section 249A.5 shall accrue at a rate equal to the coupon
19 issue yield equivalent, as determined by the United States
20 secretary of the treasury, of the average accepted auction
21 price for the last auction of fifty-two-week United States
22 treasury bills settled immediately prior to the date which is
23 six months after the death of the medical assistance
24 recipient. The interest shall begin to accrue six months
25 after the death of the medical assistance recipient, surviving
26 spouse, or surviving child.

27 EXPLANATION

28 This bill specifies the means of computing the interest
29 rate for repayment of a medical assistance debt.

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