

House File 2519 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 620)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to collection of accrued interest on unpaid
2 child support by the department of health and human
3 services.

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

1 Section 1. Section 252C.6, Code 2026, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 **252C.6 Interest on support debts.**

4 1. Interest ~~accrues~~ shall accrue on support debts at the
5 rate provided in [section 535.3](#) for court judgments.

6 2. The department ~~may~~ shall collect ~~the~~ accrued interest
7 ~~but is not required to maintain interest balance accounts on~~
8 support debts, and a court order shall not be required for the
9 department to collect the accrued interest.

10 3. Child support services may waive payment of ~~the~~ interest
11 accrued on a support debt if the waiver will facilitate the
12 collection of the support debt.

13 EXPLANATION

14 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
15 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

16 This bill requires the department of health and human
17 services (HHS) to collect interest accrued on unpaid child
18 support debt, and allows HHS to collect the interest without
19 first obtaining a court order. Under current law, HHS may
20 collect the accrued interest but is not required to maintain
21 interest balance accounts for accrued interest on support
22 debts. The bill removes language related to HHS maintaining
23 interest balance accounts for accrued interest on support
24 debts.