

252C.1 Definitions.

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "*Administrator*" means the administrator of the child support recovery unit of the department of human services, or the administrator's designee.
2. "*Caretaker*" means a parent, relative, guardian, or another person who is responsible for paying foster care costs pursuant to chapter 234 or whose needs are included in an assistance payment made pursuant to chapter 239B.
3. "*Court order*" means a judgment or order of a court of this state or another state requiring the payment of a set or determinable amount of monetary support. For orders entered on or after July 1, 1990, unless the court specifically orders otherwise, medical support, as defined in section 252E.1, is not included in the amount of monetary support.
4. "*Department*" means the department of human services.
5. "*Dependent child*" means a person who meets the eligibility criteria established in chapter 234 or 239B and whose support is required by chapter 234, 239B, 252A, 252F, 598, or 600B.
6. "*Medical support*" means either the provision of coverage under a health benefit plan, including a group or employment-related or an individual health benefit plan, or a health benefit plan provided pursuant to chapter 514E, to meet the medical needs of a dependent and the cost of any premium required by a health benefit plan, or the payment to the obligee of a monetary amount in lieu of providing coverage under a health benefit plan, either of which is an obligation separate from any monetary amount of child support ordered to be paid.
7. "*Public assistance*" means foster care costs paid by the department pursuant to chapter 234 or assistance provided pursuant to chapter 239B.
8. "*Responsible person*" means a parent, relative, guardian, or another person legally liable for the support of a child or a child's caretaker.

84 Acts, ch 1278, § 1; 90 Acts, ch 1224, § 14, 15; 93 Acts, ch 79, §44; 97 Acts, ch 41, § 32