

Public Law 97-35
97th Congress**An Act**

To provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 301 of the first concurrent resolution on the budget for the fiscal year 1982.

Aug. 13, 1981
[H.R. 3982]

SHORT TITLE

SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as the “Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981”.

Omnibus Budget
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PURPOSE

SEC. 2. It is the purpose of this Act to implement the recommendations which were made by specified committees of the House of Representatives and the Senate pursuant to directions contained in part A of title III of the first concurrent resolution on the budget for the fiscal year 1982 (H. Con. Res. 115, 97th Congress), and pursuant to the reconciliation requirements which were imposed by such concurrent resolution as provided in section 310 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

31 USC 1331.

[95 Stat. 358–862 omitted (505 pages)]

considered to be a fee collected except amounts which exceed the actual amount of support owed).".

(c) Section 453(a) of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "In determining the total amounts expended by any State during a quarter, for purposes of this subsection, there shall be excluded an amount equal to the total of any fees collected or other income resulting from services provided under the plan approved under this part.".

42 USC 653.

CHILD SUPPORT OBLIGATIONS NOT DISCHARGED BY BANKRUPTCY

SEC. 2334. (a) Section 456 of the Social Security Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

42 USC 656.

"(b) A debt which is a child support obligation assigned to a State under section 402(a)(26) is not released by a discharge in bankruptcy under title 11, United States Code."

42 USC 602.

(b) Section 523(a)(5)(A) of title 11, United States Code, is amended by inserting before the semicolon the following: "(other than debts assigned pursuant to section 402(a)(26) of the Social Security Act)".

(c) The amendments made by this section shall become effective on the date of the enactment of this Act.

Effective date.

42 USC 656 note.

CHILD SUPPORT INTERCEPT OF UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

SEC. 2335. (a) Section 454 of the Social Security Act (as amended by section 2333(b) of this Act) is amended by striking out "and" at the end of paragraph (18), by striking out the period at the end of paragraph (19) and inserting in lieu thereof "; and", and by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

"(20) provide that the agency administering the plan—

"(A) shall determine on a periodic basis, from information supplied pursuant to section 508 of the Unemployment Compensation Amendments of 1976, whether any individuals receiving compensation under the State's unemployment compensation law (including amounts payable pursuant to any agreement under any Federal unemployment compensation law) owe child support obligations which are being enforced by such agency, and

29 USC 49b.

42 USC 603a.

"(B) shall enforce any such child support obligations which are owed by such an individual but are not being met—

"(i) through an agreement with such individual to have specified amounts withheld from compensation otherwise payable to such individual and by submitting a copy of any such agreement to the State agency administering the unemployment compensation law, or

"(ii) in the absence of such an agreement, by bringing legal process (as defined in section 462(e) of this Act) to require the withholding of amounts from such compensation."

42 USC 662.

(b)(1) Subsection (e) of section 303 of the Social Security Act is amended by redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as paragraphs (3) and (4), respectively, and by inserting after paragraph (1) the following new paragraph:

42 USC 503.

"(2)(A) The State agency charged with the administration of the State law—

"(i) shall require each new applicant for unemployment compensation to disclose whether or not such applicant owes child

[95 Stat. 864–932 omitted (69 pages)]

(2) The third sentence of such section 204 is amended to read as follows: "Upon the expiration of such term, the Surgeon General, unless reappointed, shall revert to the grade and number in the Regular or Reserve Corps that he would have occupied had he not served as Surgeon General."

42 USC 205.

(c) The first sentence of section 207(b)(1) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 209(b)(1)) is amended by inserting "(other than an appointment under section 204)" after "no such appointment".

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—H.R. 3982 (S. 1377):

HOUSE REPORTS: No. 97-158, vols. I-III (Comm. on the Budget) and No. 97-208, bks. 1, 2 (Comm. of Conference).

SENATE REPORT No. 97-139 accompanying S. 1377 (Comm. on the Budget).

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 127 (1981):

June 22-25, S. 1377 considered and passed Senate.

June 25, 26, considered and passed House.

July 13, considered and passed Senate, amended, in lieu of S. 1377.

July 31, House and Senate agreed to conference report.