

CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT

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Ms. Marty Garrity, Director Bureau of Legislative Research State Capitol Room 315 Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Ms. Garrity:

In compliance with Arkansas Code Ann. § 25-10-118, we are submitting a semi-annual report on the performance and progress of the Child Support Program for the period January 1, 2018, through June 30, 2018.

If you need additional information or have questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Alan McVey Administrator

Enclosure

cc:

Larry Walther, DFA Director

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Semi-Annual Report of Child Support Program January 1, 2018, through June 30, 2018

The following information is submitted in compliance with Arkansas Code Ann. §25-10-118 and summarizes certain activities of the Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) for the six-month period ending June 30 2018.

A. <u>Hospital Based Paternity Acknowledgment</u> - This program was established in October 1993 to provide information to unwed parents, while still in the hospital for childbirth, of the benefits of establishing paternity. Hospital staff assists them in completion of the necessary paperwork to acknowledge paternity if that is the parent's desire.

Paternity Acknowledgments Received

01/01/17-06/30/17	01/01/18-06/30/18	Percent Change
4,838	5,154	+6.53%

B. <u>License Suspension Program</u> - The Office of Child Support Enforcement is authorized to suspend driver's licenses, game and fish licenses, professional and business licenses, and vehicle tags of non-custodial parents if certain conditions exist on a case.

Driver's Licenses Suspended

01/01/17-06/30/17	01/01/18-06/30/18	Percent Change
3,903	4,292	+9.96%

Game and Fish Licenses Suspended

01/01/17-06/30/17	01/01/18-06/30/18	Percent Change
1,184	1,231	+3.97%

Professional/Business Licenses Suspended

01/01/17-06/30/17	01/01/18-06/30/18	Percent Change
466	683	+46.6%

Vehicle Tags Suspended

01/01/17-06/30/17	<u>01/01/18-06/30/18</u>	Percent Change
535	362	-32.3%

C. Enforcement

	01/01/17-06/30/17	01/01/18-06/30/18	Percent Change
Enforcement Cases	102,498	93,975	-8.3%
New Cases Opened	8,566	7,065	-17.5%

D. Collections

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	01/01/17-06/30/17	01/01/18-06/30/18	Percent Change
Enforcement			
Collections	\$128,535,150	\$128,768,031	+.18%
Non-Enforcement			
Collections	\$20,880,270	\$20,306,720	-2.75%
Total Collections	\$149,415,420	\$149,074,751	22%