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Ms. Marty Garrity, Director
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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, 2017, through June 30th, 2017.

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

Sincerely,


Alan McVey
Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Larry Walther, DFA Director
Carla Haugen, DFA Deputy Director
Walter Anger, Deputy Director & Commissioner of Revenue
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**Semi-Annual Report of Child Support Program
January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017**

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, 2017.

- A. **Hospital Based Paternity Acknowledgment** - 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

<u>01/01/16-06/30/16</u>	<u>01/01/17-06/30/17</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
4,318	4,838	+12.1%

- B. **License Suspension Program** - 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

<u>01/01/16-06/30/16</u>	<u>01/01/17-06/30/17</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
3,744	3,903	+4.30

Game and Fish Licenses Suspended

<u>01/01/16-06/30/16</u>	<u>01/01/17-06/30/17</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
1,117	1,184	+6.0%

Professional/Business Licenses Suspended

<u>01/01/16-06/30/16</u>	<u>01/01/17-06/30/17</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
335	466	+39.1%

Vehicle Tags Suspended

<u>01/01/16-06/30/16</u>	<u>01/01/17-06/30/17</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
626	535	-14.6%

C. Enforcement

	<u>06/30/16</u>	<u>06/30/17</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Enforcement Cases	105,753	102,498	-3.1%
New Cases Opened	8,892	8,566	-3.7%

D. Collections

	<u>01/01/16-06/30/16</u>	<u>01/01/17-06/30/17</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Enforcement Collections	\$130,629,947	\$128,535,150	-1.6%
Non-Enforcement Collections	\$21,635,756	\$20,880,270	-3.5%
Total Collections	\$152,265,703	\$149,415,420	-1.90%