## <u>H</u>.B. NO.<u>1244</u>

# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

SECTION 1. Section 576D-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
amended to read as follows:

"[+] §576D-5[+] Fee for obtaining or enforcing nonpublic 3 assistance order. (a) The agency shall require the payment of 4 a reasonable fee on the application of a person under section 5 576D-3(b)(3) who is not receiving public assistance for support 6 of the child for assistance in obtaining or enforcing a child 7 support order. The payment and amount of the fee shall be in 8 compliance with applicable federal regulations promulgated under 9 Title IV-D. 10

In the case of an individual who has never received (b) 11 public assistance for the support of a child under Title IV-A 12 and for whom the State has collected at least \$500 of support, 13 the agency shall impose an annual fee of \$25 for each case in 14 which Title IV-D services are furnished, which shall be retained 15 by the State from support collected on behalf of the individual, 16 but not from the first \$500 so collected, and recovered from the 17 absent parent." 18

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1	SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
3	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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#### JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Attorney General

TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

PURPOSE: To provide the authority for the Child Support Enforcement Agency to impose an annual \$25.00 fee against the absent parent in those cases where no public assistance has been paid to the custodial parent and collection for the case exceeds \$500.00.

MEANS: Amend section 576D-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

JUSTIFICATION: The imposition of an annual fee of \$25.00 is a federally mandated requirement pursuant to the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, Public Law No. 109-171.

Impact on the public: The CSEA will be imposing a \$25.00 annual fee that will be assessed against the non-custodial parent. Because the federal requirement is that the fee be retained from support collected, the custodial parent may receive \$25.00 less than he/she would normally receive and/or the non-custodial parent may have an additional \$25.00 obligation tacked-on to his/her regular child support obligation.

Impact on the department and other agencies: None.

GENERAL FUND: None.

OTHER FUNDS: None.

PPBS PROGRAM DESIGNATION: ATG 500

OTHER AFFECTED AGENCIES: None.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon approval.