

SENATE BILL NO. 193

BY SENATOR LENTINI

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 46:236.1.8(D) and (E), relative to child support programs; to
3 authorize certain support enforcement service support personnel to administer oaths;
4 and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 46:236.1.8(D) and (E) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
7 follows:

8 §236.1.8. Family and child support programs; additional authorized employee
9 actions

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11 D. The support services authorized by this Subpart shall be provided by the
12 office of family support, Support Enforcement Services program. Field officers
13 responsible for supplying these services shall be designated as support enforcement
14 regional ~~administrators, managers, family security administrative officers, support~~
15 ~~enforcement district managers, support enforcement~~ **social service analyst**
16 supervisors, and ~~support enforcement specialists~~ **social service analysts**. Such
17 officers shall have the power and authority to make arrests, supervise the probation
18 of offenders, serve notices, orders, subpoenas, summons, citations, motions, and
19 writs, and to execute all warrants and orders and to perform any other duties incident
20 to their office. All such officers are hereby authorized to carry weapons and arms,
21 concealed or openly, while in the actual performance of any duty or while under
22 assignment to any duty, but under no circumstances shall officers be authorized to
23 carry weapons unless they have been trained in the proper carrying and use of
24 firearms by a recognized firearm training program.

1 E. In addition, department support personnel shall possess full notarial
 2 powers ~~to administer oaths to any persons~~ in connection with any document required
 3 in the course of providing services authorized by this Subpart, including but not
 4 limited to documents required under the ~~Revised~~ Uniform Interstate Family
 5 Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act (1968) **(1996)**, Children's Code Articles
 6 1301 et seq., and any documents necessary to secure warrants for criminal neglect
 7 of family (R.S. 14:74 et seq., **and Children's Code Articles 1351 et seq.**). Any
 8 **documents passed, acknowledged, or sworn to and subscribed before**
 9 **department support personnel** ~~oaths administered~~ pursuant to this Subsection shall
 10 have the same force and effect as if taken before a duly commissioned notary public.
 11 Support enforcement personnel employed by a district attorney's office providing
 12 support services pursuant to Title IV-D shall possess these same powers except the
 13 supervision of probationers.

14 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
 15 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
 16 by the governor, as provided in Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
 17 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the Legislature, this Act shall become
 18 effective on the day following such approval.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____