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Senate Bill 1501 (as introduced 9-16-08)  
Sponsor: Senator Roger Kahn, M.D.  
Committee: Families and Human Services

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### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Support and Parenting Time Enforcement Act to require any of the following people to notify a support recipient and the Title IV-D agency (the Department of Human Services) if the person anticipated that a payer would or could receive property, including money, against which a lien would be levied under Section 25a for past due support:

- The payer.
- An attorney representing the payer with respect to the Friend of the Court case or obtaining the property.
- The person who would be giving or paying the property to the payer or the person's attorney.

The notice would have to be given by ordinary mail.

(Under Section 25a, the amount of past due support that accrues under a judgment in a domestic relations matter, or under the law of another state, constitutes a lien in favor of the support recipient against the real and personal property of a payer, including money to be paid as a distribution from a decedent's estate; as a result of a claim for negligence, personal injury, or death; under an arbitration award; under a settlement of or judgment issued in a civil action; or as compensation under a worker's compensation order, settlement, redemption order, or voluntary payment.)

Proposed MCL 552.625j

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### **FISCAL IMPACT**

To the extent that the bill would lead to an increase in property and funding available to recipients of Title IV-D services, the State could see a minor, indeterminate decrease in support paid to recipients through other assistance programs. The bill also could lead to a minor reduction in administrative expenditure currently used by the State to identify assets eligible for a lien.

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