## ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2010 COMMITTEE STATEMENT

LB939

| Hearing Date: | Friday February 19, 2010                    |
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| Committee On: | Judiciary                                   |
| Introducer:   | Stuthman                                    |
| One Liner:    | Change support order enforcement provisions |

## **Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**

Advanced to General File

## Vote Results:

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|---------------------|--------|---|
| Aye:                | 8      | Senators Ashford, Christensen, Coash, Council, Lathrop, Lautenbaugh, McGill, Rogert |
| Nay:                |        |   |
| Absent:             |        |   |
| Present Not Vo      | oting: |   |
| Proponents:         |        | Representing:   |
| Sen. Arnie Stuthman |        | Introducer  |
| Todd Reckling       |        | Department of Health and Human Services   |
| Opponents:          |        | Representing:   |
| Neutral:            |        | Representing:   |

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Legislative Bill 939 would amend statute sections related to child support enforcement to allow the Department of Health and Human Services to effectively collect child support and remain in compliance with federal regulations. To comply with federal law, the bill would allow DHHS to modify a child support order in health care coverage cases within three years of entry of the order. The bill would also provide that DHHS may review child support orders within the three year period after the obligation is ordered when a substantial change in circumstances is demonstrated, has lasted at least three months and is expected to last for an additional six months. The bill would also authorize DHHS to utilize income withholding to collect other monetary judgments related to the support of the child that the obligor has been ordered to pay and owes to a federal or state governmental unit in cases when services are being provided under Title IV-D and the support obligation is current. The bill would also require financial institutions to include the account balance with the information provided to DHHS for each obligor that is matched to an account within the financial institution's system.

Brad Ashford, Chairperson