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## SENATE BILL 5389

State of Washington 64th Legislature 2015 Regular Session

By Senators Darneille and Chase

Read first time 01/21/15. Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

- AN ACT Relating to implementing changes to child support based on the child support schedule work group report; amending RCW 26.19.011, 26.19.020, 26.19.065, 26.19.075, and 26.19.090; adding a new section to chapter 26.19 RCW; creating a new section; and providing an effective date.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) To comply with the federal requirement that all states review their child support laws every four years, the legislature has mandated that a child support work group be convened every four years to examine current laws, administrative rules, and practices regarding child support.
- 12 (2) The 2011 child support schedule work group was convened in 13 January and conducted a total of ten in-person meetings and numerous 14 meetings using telephone conference calls. The work group produced a 15 final report and recommendations in September 2011.
- 16 (3) The work group's September 2011 final report and 17 recommendations contain, among other things, a new economic table based on more current data and a formula for calculating adjustments 18 to take into consideration children not before the court. 19
- 20 (4) The legislature intends to implement recommendations made by 21 the 2011 child support schedule work group.

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1 **Sec. 2.** RCW 26.19.011 and 2005 c 282 s 35 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

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Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

- (1) "Basic child support obligation" means the monthly child support obligation determined from the economic table based on the parties' combined monthly net income and the number of children for whom support is owed.
- 9 (2) "Child support schedule" means the standards, economic table, worksheets, and instructions, as defined in this chapter. 10
  - (3) "Court" means a superior court judge, court commissioner, and presiding and reviewing officers who administratively determine or enforce child support orders.
- 14 (4) "Deviation" means a child support amount that differs from 15 the standard calculation.
- 16 (5) "Economic table" means the child support table for the basic 17 support obligation provided in RCW 26.19.020.
  - (6) "Instructions" means the instructions developed by the administrative office of the courts pursuant to RCW 26.19.050 for use in completing the worksheets.
- (7) "Standards" means the standards for determination of child 21 support as provided in this chapter. 22
  - (8) "Standard calculation" means the presumptive amount of child support owed as determined from the child support schedule before the court makes any adjustments or considers any reasons for deviation.
  - (9) "Support transfer payment" means the amount of money the court orders one parent to pay to another parent or custodian for child support after determination of the standard calculation, adjustments, and deviations. If certain expenses or credits are expected to fluctuate and the order states a formula or percentage to determine the additional amount or credit on an ongoing basis, the term "support transfer payment" does not mean the additional amount or credit.
- (10) "Worksheets" means the forms developed by the administrative 34 35 office of the courts pursuant to RCW 26.19.050 for use in determining 36 the amount of child support.
- (11) "Children not before the court" means children for whom 37 support is not being determined in the current proceeding, but who are the children of one of the parents involved in the proceeding based on a parent-child relationship consistent with RCW 26.26.101,

p. 2 SB 5389 or who are the children of one of the parents based on a court order which established the parent as a de facto parent.

Sec. 3. RCW 26.19.020 and 2009 c 84 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

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5				((ECON	OMIC T	ABLE		
6			MONTI	ILY BASIC :	SUPPO	RT OBL	IGATION	
7				PEF	R-CHILI	Ð		
8			KEY: A= AGE 0-11 B= AGE 12-18					
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10			COMBINED					
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12			NET	CHIL	Ð	CHILD	REN	
13			INCOME	FAMI	L¥	FAMI	<del>LY</del>	
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16			For income less than \$1000 the obligation is					
17			based upon the resources and living expenses of					
18			each household. Minimum support may not be					
19			less than \$50 per child per month except when					
20			allo	wed by RCW	<del>7 26.19.</del>	<del>065(2).</del>		
21			<del>1000</del>	<del>220</del>	<del>272</del>	<del>171</del>	211	
22			<del>1100</del>	<del>242</del>	<del>299</del>	<del>188</del>	<del>232</del>	
23			1200	<del>264</del>	<del>326</del>	<del>205</del>	<del>253</del>	
24			1300	<del>285</del>	<del>352</del>	<del>221</del>	274	
25			1400	<del>307</del>	<del>379</del>	<del>238</del>	<del>294</del>	
26			<del>1500</del>	<del>327</del>	404	<del>254</del>	313	
27			<del>1600</del>	<del>347</del>	428	<del>269</del>	333	
28			<del>1700</del>	<del>367</del>	<del>453</del>	<del>285</del>	<del>352</del>	
29			1800	<del>387</del>	<del>478</del>	<del>300</del>	<del>371</del>	
30			<del>1900</del>	407	<del>503</del>	<del>316</del>	<del>390</del>	
31			<del>2000</del>	<del>427</del>	<del>527</del>	331	<del>409</del>	
32			<del>2100</del>	447	<del>552</del>	347	<del>429</del>	
33			2200	<del>467</del>	<del>577</del>	<del>362</del>	448	
34			<del>2300</del>	<del>487</del>	601	<del>378</del>	<del>467</del>	
35			<del>2400</del>	<del>506</del>	626	<del>393</del>	486	

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1	<del>2500</del>	<del>526</del>	650	408	<del>505</del>
2	<del>2600</del>	<del>534</del>	<del>661</del>	416	<del>513</del>
3	<del>2700</del>	<del>542</del>	<del>670</del>	<del>421</del>	<del>520</del>
4	<del>2800</del>	<del>549</del>	<del>679</del>	<del>427</del>	<del>527</del>
5	<del>2900</del>	<del>556</del>	686	431	<del>533</del>
6	3000	<del>561</del>	<del>693</del>	436	<del>538</del>
7	<del>3100</del>	<del>566</del>	<del>699</del>	439	543
8	<del>3200</del>	<del>569</del>	<del>704</del>	442	<del>546</del>
9	<del>3300</del>	<del>573</del>	<del>708</del>	445	<del>549</del>
10	3400	<del>574</del>	710	446	<del>551</del>
11	<del>3500</del>	<del>575</del>	<del>711</del>	447	<del>552</del>
12	<del>3600</del>	<del>577</del>	<del>712</del>	448	<del>553</del>
13	<del>3700</del>	<del>578</del>	713	449	<del>554</del>
14	<del>3800</del>	<del>581</del>	<del>719</del>	4 <del>52</del>	<del>558</del>
15	3900	<del>596</del>	<del>736</del>	<del>463</del>	<del>572</del>
16	4000	609	<del>753</del>	473	<del>584</del>
17	4100	623	770	484	<del>598</del>
18	<del>4200</del>	638	<del>788</del>	<del>495</del>	611
19	4300	<del>651</del>	<del>805</del>	<del>506</del>	625
20	4400	664	821	<del>516</del>	637
21	<del>4500</del>	677	<del>836</del>	<del>525</del>	<del>649</del>
22	4600	<del>689</del>	851	<del>535</del>	<del>661</del>
23	<del>4700</del>	<del>701</del>	<del>866</del>	<del>545</del>	<del>673</del>
24	4800	713	<del>882</del>	<del>554</del>	<del>685</del>
25	4900	<del>726</del>	<del>897</del>	<del>564</del>	<del>697</del>
26	5000	<del>738</del>	<del>912</del>	<del>574</del>	<del>708</del>
27	5100	<del>751</del>	<del>928</del>	<del>584</del>	<del>720</del>
28	<del>5200</del>	<del>763</del>	943	<del>593</del>	<del>732</del>
29	5300	<del>776</del>	959	602	744
30	5400	<del>788</del>	<del>974</del>	<del>612</del>	<del>756</del>
31	<del>5500</del>	800	989	622	<del>768</del>
32	<del>5600</del>	<del>812</del>	1004	<del>632</del>	<del>779</del>
33	<del>5700</del>	<del>825</del>	1019	<del>641</del>	<del>791</del>
34	<del>5800</del>	837	1035	650	803
35	<del>5900</del>	<del>850</del>	1050	660	815
36	6000	<del>862</del>	1065	<del>670</del>	827

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1	6100	<del>875</del>	1081	<del>680</del>	<del>839</del>
2	6200	<del>887</del>	<del>1096</del>	<del>689</del>	851
3	<del>6300</del>	<del>899</del>	1112	<del>699</del>	<del>863</del>
4	6400	911	1127	<del>709</del>	<del>875</del>
5	<del>6500</del>	924	1142	<del>718</del>	<del>887</del>
6	6600	<del>936</del>	1157	<del>728</del>	<del>899</del>
7	<del>6700</del>	949	1172	737	911
8	6800	<del>961</del>	1188	747	923
9	6900	<del>974</del>	1203	<del>757</del>	<del>935</del>
10	7000	<del>986</del>	1218	<del>767</del>	946
11	7100	998	1233	<del>776</del>	<del>958</del>
12	<del>7200</del>	1009	1248	<del>785</del>	<del>971</del>
13	<del>7300</del>	1021	1262	<del>794</del>	982
14	7400	1033	1276	803	993
15	<del>7500</del>	1044	1290	812	1004
16	<del>7600</del>	1055	1305	821	1015
17	<del>7700</del>	1067	<del>1319</del>	830	1026
18	<del>7800</del>	1078	1333	<del>839</del>	1037
19	<del>7900</del>	1089	1346	848	1048
20	8000	1100	1360	<del>857</del>	1059
21	<del>8100</del>	1112	1374	<del>865</del>	1069
22	<del>8200</del>	1123	1387	<del>874</del>	1080
23	8300	1134	1401	882	1091
24	8400	1144	1414	<del>891</del>	1101
25	<del>8500</del>	1155	1428	<del>899</del>	1112
26	<del>8600</del>	<del>1166</del>	1441	908	1122
27	<del>8700</del>	<del>1177</del>	1454	<del>916</del>	1133
28	8800	1187	1467	925	1143
29	8900	1198	1481	933	1153
30	9000	1208	1493	941	1163
31	9100	1219	<del>1506</del>	949	1173
32	9200	1229	<del>1519</del>	<del>957</del>	1183
33	9300	1239	<del>1532</del>	<del>966</del>	1193
34	9400	1250	1545	<del>974</del>	1203
35	<del>9500</del>	<del>1260</del>	1557	<del>982</del>	1213
36	9600	1270	<del>1570</del>	989	1223

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1	<del>9700</del>	1280	1582	997	1233	
2	9800	1290	1594	1005	1242	
3	9900	1300	1606	1013	1252	
4	10000	<del>1310</del>	<del>1619</del>	1021	1262	
5	10100	<del>1319</del>	<del>1631</del>	1028	1271	
6	10200	1329	1643	<del>1036</del>	1281	
7	10300	1339	<del>1655</del>	1044	1290	
8	10400	1348	1666	1051	1299	
9	10500	<del>1358</del>	<del>1678</del>	<del>1059</del>	1308	
10	10600	<del>1367</del>	<del>1690</del>	1066	1318	
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12	10800	<del>1386</del>	<del>1713</del>	1081	<del>1336</del>	
13	10900	<del>1395</del>	1724	1088	1345	
14	11000	1404	<del>1736</del>	1095	1354	
15	<del>11100</del>	1413	<del>1747</del>	<del>1102</del>	<del>1363</del>	
16	11200	1422	<del>1758</del>	1110	1371	
17	11300	1431	<del>1769</del>	1117	1380	
18	11400	1440	<del>1780</del>	<del>1124</del>	<del>1389</del>	
19	11500	1449	<del>1791</del>	1131	<del>1398</del>	
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21	<del>11700</del>	<del>1467</del>	<del>1813</del>	1145	1415	
22	11800	1475	1823	1151	1423	
23	11900	1484	1834	<del>1158</del>	1431	
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1		For inc	For income less than \$1000 the obligation					
2		<del>is basc</del>	is based upon the resources and living					
3		expens	expenses of each household. Minimum					
4		suppor	support may not be less than \$50 per child					
5		<del>per mo</del>	per month except when allowed by RCW				CW	
6		<del>26.19.</del>	<del>065(2).</del>					
7	1000	143	177	121	<del>149</del>	105	<del>130</del>	
8	<del>1100</del>	<del>157</del>	<del>194</del>	<del>133</del>	<del>164</del>	116	143	
9	1200	<del>171</del>	211	144	<del>179</del>	126	<del>156</del>	
10	1300	<del>185</del>	<del>228</del>	<del>156</del>	<del>193</del>	136	168	
11	1400	<del>199</del>	<del>246</del>	<del>168</del>	<del>208</del>	147	181	
12	<del>1500</del>	<del>212</del>	<del>262</del>	<del>179</del>	221	<del>156</del>	<del>193</del>	
13	1600	225	<del>278</del>	<del>190</del>	<del>235</del>	<del>166</del>	<del>205</del>	
14	<del>1700</del>	<del>238</del>	<del>294</del>	201	<del>248</del>	<del>175</del>	<del>217</del>	
15	1800	251	310	212	<del>262</del>	185	228	
16	1900	<del>264</del>	<del>326</del>	223	<del>275</del>	194	240	
17	<del>2000</del>	<del>277</del>	<del>342</del>	<del>234</del>	<del>289</del>	<del>204</del>	<del>252</del>	
18	<del>2100</del>	<del>289</del>	<del>358</del>	245	<del>303</del>	213	<del>264</del>	
19	<del>2200</del>	<del>302</del>	<del>374</del>	<del>256</del>	<del>316</del>	223	<del>276</del>	
20	<del>2300</del>	315	<del>390</del>	<del>267</del>	<del>330</del>	233	<del>288</del>	
21	2400	<del>328</del>	406	<del>278</del>	343	242	<del>299</del>	
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23	<del>2600</del>	<del>346</del>	<del>428</del>	<del>293</del>	<del>362</del>	<del>256</del>	<del>316</del>	
24	<del>2700</del>	351	435	<del>298</del>	<del>368</del>	<del>259</del>	<del>321</del>	
25	<del>2800</del>	<del>356</del>	440	<del>301</del>	<del>372</del>	<del>262</del>	<del>324</del>	
26	<del>2900</del>	<del>360</del>	445	<del>305</del>	<del>376</del>	<del>266</del>	<del>328</del>	
27	<del>3000</del>	<del>364</del>	449	<del>308</del>	380	<del>268</del>	331	
28	<del>3100</del>	<del>367</del>	453	310	383	270	334	
29	<del>3200</del>	<del>369</del>	<del>457</del>	312	<del>386</del>	<del>272</del>	<del>336</del>	
30	3300	<del>371</del>	4 <del>59</del>	314	388	<del>273</del>	<del>339</del>	
31	3400	<del>372</del>	<del>460</del>	315	<del>389</del>	274	340	
32	<del>3500</del>	<del>373</del>	<del>461</del>	316	<del>390</del>	<del>275</del>	341	
33	<del>3600</del>	374	<del>462</del>	317	<del>391</del>	<del>276</del>	<del>342</del>	

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1	<del>3700</del>	<del>375</del>	463	318	<del>392</del>	277	343
2	<del>3800</del>	<del>377</del>	<del>466</del>	<del>319</del>	<del>394</del>	278	344
3	<del>3900</del>	<del>386</del>	<del>477</del>	<del>326</del>	404	<del>284</del>	<del>352</del>
4	4000	<del>395</del>	488	334	413	<del>291</del>	<del>360</del>
5	4100	404	500	341	422	<del>298</del>	<del>368</del>
6	<del>4200</del>	413	<del>511</del>	<del>350</del>	431	<del>305</del>	<del>377</del>
7	4300	422	<del>522</del>	357	441	311	385
8	4400	431	<del>532</del>	<del>364</del>	449	317	<del>392</del>
9	<del>4500</del>	438	<del>542</del>	<del>371</del>	<del>458</del>	323	400
10	4600	446	<del>552</del>	377	<del>467</del>	<del>329</del>	407
11	4700	455	<del>562</del>	<del>384</del>	<del>475</del>	<del>335</del>	414
12	4800	463	<del>572</del>	<del>391</del>	<del>483</del>	341	<del>422</del>
13	4900	470	<del>581</del>	<del>398</del>	<del>491</del>	347	<del>429</del>
14	5000	<del>479</del>	<del>592</del>	404	<del>500</del>	353	437
15	<del>5100</del>	<del>487</del>	602	411	<del>509</del>	<del>359</del>	443
16	<del>5200</del>	494	611	418	<del>517</del>	<del>365</del>	451
17	5300	<del>503</del>	621	425	<del>525</del>	<del>371</del>	<del>458</del>
18	<del>5400</del>	<del>511</del>	<del>632</del>	<del>432</del>	<del>533</del>	<del>377</del>	<del>466</del>
19	<del>5500</del>	<del>518</del>	641	439	<del>542</del>	383	473
20	<del>5600</del>	<del>527</del>	651	446	<del>551</del>	<del>389</del>	480
21	<del>5700</del>	<del>535</del>	<del>661</del>	<del>452</del>	<del>559</del>	<del>395</del>	488
22	5800	<del>543</del>	671	<del>459</del>	<del>567</del>	401	<del>495</del>
23	<del>5900</del>	<del>551</del>	681	466	<del>575</del>	407	<del>502</del>
24	6000	<del>559</del>	<del>691</del>	<del>473</del>	<del>584</del>	413	<del>509</del>
25	6100	<del>567</del>	701	<del>479</del>	<del>593</del>	418	<del>517</del>
26	6200	<del>575</del>	710	<del>486</del>	601	424	<del>524</del>
27	6300	<del>583</del>	<del>721</del>	<del>493</del>	<del>609</del>	430	<del>532</del>
28	6400	<del>591</del>	731	<del>500</del>	617	436	<del>539</del>
29	6500	<del>599</del>	740	<del>506</del>	626	442	<del>546</del>
30	6600	607	<del>750</del>	<del>513</del>	<del>635</del>	448	<del>554</del>
31	6700	615	<del>761</del>	520	643	454	<del>561</del>
32	6800	623	770	527	651	460	<del>568</del>

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1	6900	631	<del>780</del>	<del>533</del>	<del>659</del>	466	<del>575</del>
2	7000	<del>639</del>	<del>790</del>	<del>540</del>	668	<del>472</del>	<del>583</del>
3	7100	<del>647</del>	800	<del>547</del>	<del>677</del>	<del>478</del>	<del>591</del>
4	7200	<del>654</del>	809	<del>554</del>	684	484	<del>598</del>
5	7300	<del>662</del>	818	<del>560</del>	693	490	605
6	7400	<del>670</del>	828	<del>567</del>	<del>701</del>	<del>496</del>	613
7	7500	<del>677</del>	837	<del>574</del>	<del>709</del>	<del>502</del>	620
8	7600	<del>685</del>	<del>846</del>	<del>581</del>	718	<del>507</del>	627
9	7700	<del>692</del>	<del>855</del>	<del>587</del>	<del>726</del>	<del>513</del>	<del>634</del>
10	7800	<del>700</del>	<del>865</del>	<del>594</del>	734	<del>519</del>	642
11	7900	<del>707</del>	<del>874</del>	601	<del>742</del>	<del>525</del>	649
12	8000	<del>714</del>	<del>883</del>	607	<del>750</del>	531	<del>656</del>
13	8100	722	<del>892</del>	614	<del>759</del>	<del>536</del>	663
14	8200	<del>729</del>	901	620	<del>767</del>	<del>542</del>	670
15	8300	<del>736</del>	910	627	<del>775</del>	<del>548</del>	<del>677</del>
16	8400	<del>743</del>	919	633	<del>783</del>	553	684
17	<del>8500</del>	<del>750</del>	928	640	<del>791</del>	<del>559</del>	691
18	<del>8600</del>	<del>758</del>	<del>936</del>	<del>646</del>	<del>799</del>	<del>565</del>	<del>698</del>
19	<del>8700</del>	<del>765</del>	945	653	807	<del>570</del>	<del>705</del>
20	8800	772	954	<del>659</del>	815	<del>576</del>	712
21	8900	<del>779</del>	<del>962</del>	<del>665</del>	822	<del>582</del>	<del>719</del>
22	9000	<del>786</del>	971	672	<del>830</del>	<del>587</del>	<del>726</del>
23	9100	<del>792</del>	980	678	838	<del>593</del>	732
24	9200	<del>799</del>	988	684	<del>846</del>	<del>598</del>	<del>739</del>
25	9300	<del>806</del>	<del>996</del>	691	<del>854</del>	604	<del>746</del>
26	9400	813	1005	<del>697</del>	<del>861</del>	609	<del>753</del>
27	9500	<del>820</del>	1013	<del>703</del>	<del>869</del>	614	<del>759</del>
28	9600	<del>826</del>	1021	<del>709</del>	<del>877</del>	620	<del>766</del>
29	9700	833	1030	<del>716</del>	884	625	773
30	9800	840	1038	<del>722</del>	<del>892</del>	631	<del>779</del>
31	9900	<del>846</del>	1046	728	900	636	<del>786</del>
32	10000	<del>853</del>	1054	734	907	641	<del>793</del>

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1	10100	<del>859</del>	1062	740	915	647	<del>799</del>
2	10200	866	1070	<del>746</del>	922	652	<del>806</del>
3	10300	872	1078	<del>752</del>	930	657	812
4	10400	<del>879</del>	1086	<del>758</del>	937	662	<del>819</del>
5	10500	885	1094	<del>764</del>	944	668	825
6	10600	<del>891</del>	<del>1102</del>	<del>770</del>	<del>952</del>	<del>673</del>	<del>832</del>
7	10700	898	<del>1109</del>	<del>776</del>	959	<del>678</del>	838
8	10800	904	<del>1117</del>	<del>782</del>	<del>966</del>	<del>683</del>	844
9	10900	910	<del>1125</del>	<del>788</del>	<del>974</del>	688	<del>851</del>
10	11000	916	<del>1132</del>	<del>794</del>	<del>981</del>	693	<del>857</del>
11	11100	922	1140	<del>799</del>	988	<del>698</del>	<del>863</del>
12	11200	928	<del>1147</del>	<del>805</del>	995	<del>703</del>	<del>869</del>
13	11300	934	<del>1155</del>	811	1002	<del>708</del>	<del>876</del>
14	11400	940	<del>1162</del>	817	1009	714	882
15	11500	<del>946</del>	<del>1170</del>	<del>822</del>	1017	<del>719</del>	888
16	11600	952	<del>1177</del>	828	1024	723	<del>894</del>
17	11700	<del>958</del>	1184	834	1031	<del>728</del>	900
18	11800	<del>964</del>	<del>1191</del>	<del>839</del>	1038	<del>733</del>	<del>906</del>
19	11900	970	<del>1199</del>	845	1045	<del>738</del>	<del>912</del>
20	12000	975	1206	851	1051	743	<del>919</del> ))
21		E	CONOM	ПС ТА	BLE		
22	MONTE		ASIC SU			GATIC	N
23				CHILD			
24	COMBINED						
25	MONTHLY		<u>O</u>	<u>NE</u>		TWO	<u> </u>
26	<u>NET</u>		<u>CH</u>	IILD		CHILD	<u>REN</u>
27	INCOME		FAI	MILY		FAMI	<u>LY</u>
28							
29	For income le	ess tha	n \$1000	the obl	igation i	s based	upon
30	the resources	and li	ving exp	enses o	f each h	ouseho	<u>ld.</u>
31	Minimum su	pport r	nay not b	e less t	han \$50	per ch	ild per
32	month excep	t when	allowed	by RC	<u>W 26.19</u>	0.065(2	<u>).</u>
33	1000		2	<u>16</u>		<u>167</u>	7_
34	<u>1100</u>		2	38		184	<u> </u>
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1	<u>1200</u>	<u>260</u>	<u>200</u>
2	<u>1300</u>	<u>281</u>	<u>217</u>
3	<u>1400</u>	<u>303</u>	<u>234</u>
4	<u>1500</u>	<u>325</u>	<u>251</u>
5	<u>1600</u>	<u>346</u>	<u>267</u>
6	<u>1700</u>	<u>368</u>	<u>284</u>
7	<u>1800</u>	<u>390</u>	<u>301</u>
8	<u>1900</u>	<u>412</u>	<u>317</u>
9	<u>2000</u>	<u>433</u>	<u>334</u>
10	<u>2100</u>	<u>455</u>	<u>350</u>
11	<u>2200</u>	<u>477</u>	<u>367</u>
12	<u>2300</u>	<u>499</u>	<u>384</u>
13	<u>2400</u>	<u>521</u>	<u>400</u>
14	<u>2500</u>	<u>543</u>	<u>417</u>
15	<u>2600</u>	<u>565</u>	<u>433</u>
16	<u>2700</u>	<u>587</u>	<u>450</u>
17	<u>2800</u>	<u>609</u>	<u>467</u>
18	<u>2900</u>	<u>630</u>	<u>483</u>
19	<u>3000</u>	<u>652</u>	<u>500</u>
20	<u>3100</u>	<u>674</u>	<u>516</u>
21	<u>3200</u>	<u>696</u>	<u>533</u>
22	<u>3300</u>	<u>718</u>	<u>550</u>
23	<u>3400</u>	<u>740</u>	<u>566</u>
24	<u>3500</u>	<u>762</u>	<u>583</u>
25	<u>3600</u>	<u>784</u>	<u>599</u>
26	<u>3700</u>	<u>803</u>	<u>614</u>
27	<u>3800</u>	<u>816</u>	<u>624</u>
28	<u>3900</u>	<u>830</u>	<u>634</u>
29	<u>4000</u>	<u>843</u>	<u>643</u>
30	<u>4100</u>	<u>857</u>	<u>653</u>
31	<u>4200</u>	<u>867</u>	<u>660</u>
32	<u>4300</u>	<u>877</u>	<u>668</u>

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1	4400	<u>887</u>	<u>675</u>
2	<u>4500</u>	<u>896</u>	<u>682</u>
3	<u>4600</u>	<u>906</u>	<u>689</u>
4	<u>4700</u>	<u>916</u>	<u>697</u>
5	4800	<u>927</u>	<u>705</u>
6	4900	<u>939</u>	<u>714</u>
7	<u>5000</u>	<u>951</u>	<u>723</u>
8	<u>5100</u>	<u>963</u>	<u>732</u>
9	<u>5200</u>	<u>975</u>	<u>741</u>
10	<u>5300</u>	<u>987</u>	<u>750</u>
11	<u>5400</u>	<u>999</u>	<u>759</u>
12	<u>5500</u>	<u>1011</u>	<u>768</u>
13	<u>5600</u>	1023	<u>777</u>
14	<u>5700</u>	<u>1030</u>	<u>782</u>
15	<u>5800</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>786</u>
16	<u>5900</u>	<u>1042</u>	<u>791</u>
17	<u>6000</u>	<u>1048</u>	<u>795</u>
18	<u>6100</u>	<u>1054</u>	<u>800</u>
19	<u>6200</u>	<u>1061</u>	<u>804</u>
20	<u>6300</u>	<u>1067</u>	<u>809</u>
21	<u>6400</u>	<u>1073</u>	<u>813</u>
22	<u>6500</u>	<u>1081</u>	<u>819</u>
23	<u>6600</u>	<u>1096</u>	<u>830</u>
24	<u>6700</u>	<u>1111</u>	<u>842</u>
25	<u>6800</u>	<u>1126</u>	<u>853</u>
26	<u>6900</u>	<u>1141</u>	<u>864</u>
27	<u>7000</u>	<u>1156</u>	<u>875</u>
28	<u>7100</u>	<u>1170</u>	<u>886</u>
29	<u>7200</u>	<u>1185</u>	<u>898</u>
30	<u>7300</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>909</u>
31	<u>7400</u>	<u>1212</u>	<u>918</u>
32	<u>7500</u>	<u>1222</u>	<u>925</u>

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1	<u>7600</u>	<u>1231</u>	932
2	<u>7700</u>	<u>1241</u>	939
3	<u>7800</u>	<u>1251</u>	<u>946</u>
4	<u>7900</u>	<u>1261</u>	<u>953</u>
5	8000	<u>1270</u>	<u>960</u>
6	<u>8100</u>	<u>1280</u>	<u>968</u>
7	<u>8200</u>	<u>1290</u>	<u>975</u>
8	<u>8300</u>	<u>1299</u>	<u>981</u>
9	<u>8400</u>	1308	<u>987</u>
10	<u>8500</u>	<u>1316</u>	<u>994</u>
11	<u>8600</u>	<u>1325</u>	<u>1000</u>
12	<u>8700</u>	<u>1334</u>	<u>1007</u>
13	<u>8800</u>	<u>1343</u>	<u>1013</u>
14	<u>8900</u>	<u>1352</u>	<u>1019</u>
15	9000	<u>1361</u>	<u>1026</u>
16	<u>9100</u>	<u>1370</u>	<u>1032</u>
17	<u>9200</u>	<u>1379</u>	<u>1040</u>
18	<u>9300</u>	<u>1387</u>	<u>1047</u>
19	<u>9400</u>	<u>1396</u>	<u>1055</u>
20	<u>9500</u>	<u>1405</u>	<u>1062</u>
21	<u>9600</u>	<u>1414</u>	<u>1069</u>
22	<u>9700</u>	<u>1423</u>	<u>1077</u>
23	<u>9800</u>	<u>1432</u>	<u>1084</u>
24	<u>9900</u>	<u>1441</u>	<u>1092</u>
25	<u>10000</u>	<u>1451</u>	<u>1099</u>
26	<u>10100</u>	<u>1462</u>	<u>1107</u>
27	<u>10200</u>	<u>1473</u>	<u>1114</u>
28	<u>10300</u>	<u>1484</u>	<u>1122</u>
29	<u>10400</u>	<u>1495</u>	<u>1129</u>
30	<u>10500</u>	<u>1507</u>	<u>1136</u>
31	<u>10600</u>	<u>1518</u>	<u>1144</u>
32	<u>10700</u>	<u>1529</u>	<u>1151</u>

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1	<u>10800</u>	<u>153</u>	9	<u>1159</u>
2	<u>10900</u>	<u>154</u>	2	<u>1161</u>
3	<u>11000</u>	<u>154</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1164</u>
4	<u>11100</u>	<u>154</u>	8	<u>1166</u>
5	<u>11200</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1169</u>
6	<u>11300</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1172</u>
7	<u>11400</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1174</u>
8	<u>11500</u>	<u>155</u>	9	<u>1177</u>
9	<u>11600</u>	<u>156</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1179</u>
10	<u>11700</u>	<u>156</u>		<u>1182</u>
11	11800	<u>156</u>		1184
12	<u>11900</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1187</u>
13	<u>12000</u>	<u></u> <u>1573</u>		<u>1190</u>
14				
15	COMBINED			
16	MONTHLY	THREE	<u>FOUR</u>	<u>FIVE</u>
17	<u>NET</u>	CHILDREN	CHILDREN	CHILDREN
18	INCOME	<u>FAMILY</u>	<u>FAMILY</u>	<u>FAMILY</u>
19				
20	For income less	than \$1000 th	e obligation is	based upon
21	the resources and living expenses of each household.			
22	Minimum support may not be less than \$50 per child per			
23	month except when allowed by RCW 26.19.065(2).			
24	<u>1000</u>	<u>136</u>	<u>114</u>	<u>100</u>
25	<u>1100</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>110</u>
26	<u>1200</u>	<u>163</u>	<u>137</u>	<u>120</u>
27	<u>1300</u>	<u>177</u>	<u>148</u>	<u>130</u>
28	<u>1400</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>141</u>
29	<u>1500</u>	<u>204</u>	<u>171</u>	<u>151</u>
30	<u>1600</u>	<u>218</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>161</u>
31	<u>1700</u>	<u>231</u>	<u>194</u>	<u>171</u>
32	<u>1800</u>	<u>245</u>	<u>205</u>	<u>180</u>
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1	<u>2000</u>	<u>271</u>	<u>227</u>	<u>200</u>
2	<u>2100</u>	<u>285</u>	<u>239</u>	<u>210</u>
3	<u>2200</u>	<u>298</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>220</u>
4	<u>2300</u>	<u>311</u>	<u>261</u>	<u>230</u>
5	<u>2400</u>	<u>325</u>	<u>272</u>	<u>239</u>
6	<u>2500</u>	<u>338</u>	<u>283</u>	<u>249</u>
7	<u>2600</u>	<u>351</u>	<u>294</u>	<u>259</u>
8	<u>2700</u>	<u>365</u>	<u>305</u>	<u>269</u>
9	<u>2800</u>	<u>378</u>	<u>317</u>	<u>279</u>
10	<u>2900</u>	<u>391</u>	<u>328</u>	<u>288</u>
11	<u>3000</u>	<u>405</u>	<u>339</u>	<u>298</u>
12	<u>3100</u>	<u>418</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>308</u>
13	<u>3200</u>	<u>431</u>	<u>361</u>	<u>318</u>
14	<u>3300</u>	<u>444</u>	<u>372</u>	<u>328</u>
15	<u>3400</u>	<u>458</u>	<u>384</u>	<u>337</u>
16	<u>3500</u>	<u>471</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>347</u>
17	<u>3600</u>	<u>484</u>	<u>406</u>	<u>357</u>
18	<u>3700</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>416</u>	<u>366</u>
19	<u>3800</u>	<u>503</u>	<u>422</u>	<u>371</u>
20	<u>3900</u>	<u>511</u>	<u>428</u>	<u>377</u>
21	4000	<u>518</u>	<u>434</u>	<u>382</u>
22	4100	<u>526</u>	<u>440</u>	<u>388</u>
23	<u>4200</u>	<u>531</u>	<u>445</u>	<u>392</u>
24	4300	<u>537</u>	<u>450</u>	<u>396</u>
25	<u>4400</u>	<u>543</u>	<u>455</u>	<u>400</u>
26	<u>4500</u>	<u>548</u>	<u>459</u>	<u>404</u>
27	<u>4600</u>	<u>554</u>	<u>464</u>	<u>408</u>
28	<u>4700</u>	<u>559</u>	<u>469</u>	<u>412</u>
29	<u>4800</u>	<u>566</u>	<u>474</u>	<u>417</u>
30	<u>4900</u>	<u>573</u>	<u>480</u>	<u>422</u>
31	<u>5000</u>	<u>580</u>	<u>486</u>	<u>428</u>
32	<u>5100</u>	<u>587</u>	<u>492</u>	<u>433</u>

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1	<u>5200</u>	<u>594</u>	<u>498</u>	<u>438</u>
2	<u>5300</u>	<u>602</u>	<u>504</u>	<u>443</u>
3	<u>5400</u>	<u>609</u>	<u>510</u>	<u>449</u>
4	<u>5500</u>	<u>616</u>	<u>516</u>	<u>454</u>
5	<u>5600</u>	<u>623</u>	<u>522</u>	<u>459</u>
6	<u>5700</u>	<u>627</u>	<u>525</u>	<u>462</u>
7	<u>5800</u>	<u>630</u>	<u>528</u>	<u>465</u>
8	<u>5900</u>	<u>634</u>	<u>531</u>	<u>467</u>
9	<u>6000</u>	<u>637</u>	<u>534</u>	<u>470</u>
10	<u>6100</u>	<u>641</u>	<u>537</u>	<u>472</u>
11	<u>6200</u>	<u>644</u>	<u>540</u>	<u>475</u>
12	<u>6300</u>	<u>648</u>	<u>543</u>	<u>477</u>
13	<u>6400</u>	<u>651</u>	<u>545</u>	<u>480</u>
14	<u>6500</u>	<u>656</u>	<u>549</u>	<u>483</u>
15	<u>6600</u>	<u>665</u>	<u>557</u>	<u>490</u>
16	<u>6700</u>	<u>674</u>	<u>564</u>	<u>497</u>
17	<u>6800</u>	<u>683</u>	<u>572</u>	<u>503</u>
18	<u>6900</u>	<u>692</u>	<u>579</u>	<u>510</u>
19	<u>7000</u>	<u>701</u>	<u>587</u>	<u>516</u>
20	<u>7100</u>	<u>710</u>	<u>594</u>	<u>523</u>
21	<u>7200</u>	<u>719</u>	<u>602</u>	<u>530</u>
22	<u>7300</u>	<u>727</u>	<u>609</u>	<u>536</u>
23	<u>7400</u>	<u>734</u>	<u>615</u>	<u>541</u>
24	<u>7500</u>	<u>740</u>	<u>620</u>	<u>545</u>
25	<u>7600</u>	<u>745</u>	<u>624</u>	<u>549</u>
26	<u>7700</u>	<u>751</u>	<u>629</u>	<u>554</u>
27	<u>7800</u>	<u>756</u>	<u>634</u>	<u>558</u>
28	<u>7900</u>	<u>762</u>	<u>638</u>	<u>562</u>
29	8000	<u>767</u>	<u>643</u>	<u>566</u>
30	<u>8100</u>	<u>773</u>	<u>647</u>	<u>570</u>
31	<u>8200</u>	<u>778</u>	<u>652</u>	<u>574</u>
32	8300	<u>783</u>	<u>656</u>	<u>577</u>

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1	<u>8400</u>	<u>788</u>	<u>660</u>	<u>581</u>
2	<u>8500</u>	<u>793</u>	<u>664</u>	<u>584</u>
3	<u>8600</u>	<u>797</u>	<u>668</u>	<u>588</u>
4	<u>8700</u>	802	<u>672</u>	<u>591</u>
5	<u>8800</u>	807	<u>676</u>	<u>595</u>
6	<u>8900</u>	<u>812</u>	<u>680</u>	<u>599</u>
7	9000	<u>817</u>	<u>684</u>	<u>602</u>
8	<u>9100</u>	822	<u>689</u>	<u>606</u>
9	<u>9200</u>	828	<u>694</u>	<u>611</u>
10	<u>9300</u>	<u>835</u>	<u>699</u>	<u>616</u>
11	<u>9400</u>	<u>841</u>	<u>705</u>	<u>620</u>
12	<u>9500</u>	<u>848</u>	<u>710</u>	<u>625</u>
13	<u>9600</u>	<u>854</u>	<u>716</u>	<u>630</u>
14	<u>9700</u>	<u>861</u>	<u>721</u>	<u>635</u>
15	<u>9800</u>	<u>867</u>	<u>727</u>	<u>639</u>
16	<u>9900</u>	<u>874</u>	<u>732</u>	<u>644</u>
17	<u>10000</u>	<u>879</u>	<u>737</u>	<u>648</u>
18	<u>10100</u>	<u>885</u>	<u>741</u>	<u>652</u>
19	<u>10200</u>	<u>890</u>	<u>745</u>	<u>656</u>
20	<u>10300</u>	<u>895</u>	<u>750</u>	<u>660</u>
21	<u>10400</u>	900	<u>754</u>	<u>664</u>
22	<u>10500</u>	<u>906</u>	<u>759</u>	<u>668</u>
23	<u>10600</u>	<u>911</u>	<u>763</u>	<u>672</u>
24	<u>10700</u>	<u>916</u>	<u>767</u>	<u>675</u>
25	<u>10800</u>	<u>921</u>	<u>772</u>	<u>679</u>
26	<u>10900</u>	<u>924</u>	<u>774</u>	<u>681</u>
27	<u>11000</u>	<u>926</u>	<u>776</u>	<u>683</u>
28	<u>11100</u>	<u>928</u>	<u>778</u>	<u>684</u>
29	<u>11200</u>	<u>931</u>	<u>780</u>	<u>686</u>
30	<u>11300</u>	933	<u>782</u>	<u>688</u>
31	<u>11400</u>	<u>936</u>	<u>784</u>	<u>690</u>
32	<u>11500</u>	<u>938</u>	<u>786</u>	<u>692</u>

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2	<u>11700</u>	<u>943</u>	<u>790</u>	<u>695</u>
3	<u>11800</u>	<u>945</u>	<u>792</u>	<u>697</u>
4	<u>11900</u>	<u>948</u>	<u>794</u>	<u>699</u>
5	<u>12000</u>	<u>950</u>	<u>796</u>	<u>700</u>

The economic table is presumptive for combined monthly net incomes up to and including twelve thousand dollars. When combined monthly net income exceeds twelve thousand dollars, the court may exceed the presumptive amount of support set for combined monthly net incomes of twelve thousand dollars upon written findings of fact.

- **Sec. 4.** RCW 26.19.065 and 2009 c 84 s 2 are each amended to read 12 as follows:
  - (1) Limit at forty-five percent of a parent's net income. Neither parent's child support obligation owed for all his or her biological or legal children may exceed forty-five percent of net income except for good cause shown.
  - (a) Each child is entitled to a pro rata share of the income available for support, but the court only applies the pro rata share to the children in the case before the court.
  - (b) Before determining whether to apply the forty-five percent limitation, the court must consider whether it would be unjust to apply the limitation after considering the best interests of the child and the circumstances of each parent. Such circumstances include, but are not limited to, leaving insufficient funds in the custodial parent's household to meet the basic needs of the child, comparative hardship to the affected households, assets or liabilities, and any involuntary limits on either parent's earning capacity including incarceration, disabilities, or incapacity.
  - (c) Good cause includes, but is not limited to, possession of substantial wealth, children with day care expenses, special medical need, educational need, psychological need, and larger families.
  - (2) Presumptive minimum support obligation. (a) When a parent's monthly net income is below one hundred twenty-five percent of the federal poverty guideline for a one-person family, a support order of not less than fifty dollars per child per month shall be entered unless the obligor parent establishes that it would be unjust to do so in that particular case. The decision whether there is a

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sufficient basis to deviate below the presumptive minimum payment must take into consideration the best interests of the child and the circumstances of each parent. Such circumstances can include leaving insufficient funds in the custodial parent's household to meet the basic needs of the child, comparative hardship to the affected households, assets or liabilities, and earning capacity.

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- The basic support obligation of the parent making the transfer payment, excluding health care, day care, and special childrearing expenses, shall not reduce his or her net income below the self-support reserve of one hundred twenty-five percent of the federal poverty level for a one-person family, except for the presumptive minimum payment of fifty dollars per child per month or when it would be unjust to apply the self-support reserve limitation after considering the best interests of the child circumstances of each parent. Such circumstances include, but are not limited to, leaving insufficient funds in the custodial parent's household to meet the basic needs of the child, comparative hardship to the affected households, assets or liabilities, and earning capacity. This section shall not be construed to require monthly substantiation of income.
  - (3) Income above twelve thousand dollars. The economic table is presumptive for combined monthly net incomes up to and including twelve thousand dollars. When combined monthly net income exceeds twelve thousand dollars, the court may exceed the presumptive amount of support set for combined monthly net incomes of twelve thousand dollars upon written findings of fact.
- 27 **Sec. 5.** RCW 26.19.075 and 2009 c 84 s 4 are each amended to read 28 as follows:
- 29 (1) Reasons for deviation from the standard calculation include 30 but are not limited to the following:
- 31 (a) Sources of income and tax planning. The court may deviate 32 from the standard calculation after consideration of the following:
- (i) Income of a new spouse or new domestic partner if the parent who is married to the new spouse or in a partnership with a new domestic partner is asking for a deviation based on any other reason.

  Income of a new spouse or new domestic partner is not, by itself, a sufficient reason for deviation;
- 38 (ii) Income of other adults in the household if the parent who is 39 living with the other adult is asking for a deviation based on any

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- other reason. Income of the other adults in the household is not, by itself, a sufficient reason for deviation;
- 3 (iii) Child support actually received from other relationships;
- 4 (iv) Gifts;
- 5 (v) Prizes;

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- 6 (vi) Possession of wealth, including but not limited to savings, 7 investments, real estate holdings and business interests, vehicles, 8 boats, pensions, bank accounts, insurance plans, or other assets;
- 9 (vii) Extraordinary income of a child;
- 10 (viii) Tax planning considerations. A deviation for tax planning 11 may be granted only if the child would not receive a lesser economic 12 benefit due to the tax planning; or
- (ix) Income that has been excluded under RCW  $26.19.071(4)((\frac{h}{h}))$  14 (i) if the person earning that income asks for a deviation for any other reason.
  - (b) Nonrecurring income. The court may deviate from the standard calculation based on a finding that a particular source of income included in the calculation of the basic support obligation is not a recurring source of income. Depending on the circumstances, nonrecurring income may include overtime, contract-related benefits, bonuses, or income from second jobs. Deviations for nonrecurring income shall be based on a review of the nonrecurring income received in the previous two calendar years.
- 24 (c) **Debt and high expenses.** The court may deviate from the standard calculation after consideration of the following expenses:
  - (i) Extraordinary debt not voluntarily incurred;
- 27 (ii) A significant disparity in the living costs of the parents 28 due to conditions beyond their control;
  - (iii) Special needs of disabled children;
- 30 (iv) Special medical, educational, or psychological needs of the 31 children; or
- (v) Costs incurred or anticipated to be incurred by the parents in compliance with court-ordered reunification efforts under chapter 13.34 RCW or under a voluntary placement agreement with an agency supervising the child.
  - (d) Residential schedule. The court may deviate from the standard calculation if the child spends a significant amount of time with the parent who is obligated to make a support transfer payment. The court may not deviate on that basis if the deviation will result in insufficient funds in the household receiving the support to meet the

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basic needs of the child or if the child is receiving temporary assistance for needy families. When determining the amount of the deviation, the court shall consider evidence concerning the increased expenses to a parent making support transfer payments resulting from the significant amount of time spent with that parent and shall consider the decreased expenses, if any, to the party receiving the support resulting from the significant amount of time the child spends with the parent making the support transfer payment.

- ((e) Children from other relationships. The court may deviate from the standard calculation when either or both of the parents before the court have children from other relationships to whom the parent owes a duty of support.
- (i) The child support schedule shall be applied to the mother, father, and children of the family before the court to determine the presumptive amount of support.
  - (ii) Children from other relationships shall not be counted in the number of children for purposes of determining the basic support obligation and the standard calculation.
  - (iii) When considering a deviation from the standard calculation for children from other relationships, the court may consider only other children to whom the parent owes a duty of support. The court may consider court-ordered payments of child support for children from other relationships only to the extent that the support is actually paid.
  - (iv) When the court has determined that either or both parents have children from other relationships, deviations under this section shall be based on consideration of the total circumstances of both households. All child support obligations paid, received, and owed for all children shall be disclosed and considered.))
  - (2) All income and resources of the parties before the court, new spouses or new domestic partners, and other adults in the households shall be disclosed and considered as provided in this section. The presumptive amount of support shall be determined according to the child support schedule. Unless specific reasons for deviation are set forth in the written findings of fact and are supported by the evidence, the court shall order each parent to pay the amount of support determined by using the standard calculation.
  - (3) The court shall enter findings that specify reasons for any deviation or any denial of a party's request for any deviation from the standard calculation made by the court. The court shall not

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- 1 consider reasons for deviation until the court determines the 2 standard calculation for each parent.
- 3 (4) When reasons exist for deviation, the court shall exercise 4 discretion in considering the extent to which the factors would 5 affect the support obligation.
- 6 (5) Agreement of the parties is not by itself adequate reason for 7 any deviations from the standard calculation.
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 6.** A new section is added to chapter 26.19 9 RCW to read as follows:
- 10 (1) The court shall make an adjustment to the standard calculation when the obligor has children not before the court, subject to the provisions in this section and the limitations in RCW 26.19.065. If the court adjusts the standard calculation, it shall use the whole family formula as provided in this section.
- 15 (2) The child support schedule must first be applied to the 16 parents and the children before the court to determine the standard 17 amount of support.

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- (3) Children not before the court must not be counted in the number of children for purposes of determining the standard calculation, but must be counted in the adjusted calculation for the obligor parent.
- (4) Stepchildren are not considered children not before the court but may be considered as a reason to deviate from either the standard or the adjusted calculation of support.
- (5) When the court has determined that either or both parents have children not before the court, adjustments under this section must be based on considerations of the total circumstances of both households including the children of either parent who do not live in the household of the parents. Both parents shall disclose, and the court shall consider, all child support obligations paid, received, and owed for all children.
- (6) The court may not adjust the standard calculation on the basis of children not before the court if:
- 34 (a) Adjusting the standard calculation would result in 35 insufficient funds to meet the basic needs of the children in the 36 receiving household and, when taking into consideration the totality 37 of the circumstances, the application of the adjustment would be 38 unjust;

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- (b) The obligee's net income before receiving the support transfer payment is at or below one hundred twenty-five percent of the federal poverty level guidelines for the obligee's household size, including both children before the court and children not before the court; or
- 6 (c) It is shown that the obligor parent has not actually paid the
  7 child support owed for the obligor's children not before the court
  8 who do not live with the obligor, unless there is a reasonable
  9 justification for the obligor's nonpayment. When considering whether
  10 a reasonable justification exists, the court shall consider the
  11 obligor's ability to make full payments of the child support owed for
  12 the obligor's children not before the court.
  - (7) The whole family formula requires the court to:

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- 14 (a) Determine the total number of children before the court and 15 the total number of children not before the court for the obligor 16 parent;
  - (b) Determine the monthly basic support obligation from the economic table based on the combined monthly net income of the parents before the court and the obligor's total number of children as determined in (a) of this subsection;
  - (c) Multiply the monthly basic child support obligation by the obligor's proportional share of the combined monthly net income. This amount is the adjusted transfer payment owed by the obligor parent for the children before the court.
- 25 (8) If the court does not establish the transfer payment at an adjusted calculation determined by this section, the court shall set forth specific findings for the difference in the order of child support.
- 29 **Sec. 7.** RCW 26.19.090 and 1991 sp.s. c 28 s 7 are each amended 30 to read as follows:
- 31 (1) The child support schedule shall be advisory and not 32 mandatory for postsecondary educational support.
- 33 (2)(a) When considering whether to order support for 34 postsecondary educational expenses, the court shall determine whether 35 the child is in fact dependent and is relying upon the parents for 36 the reasonable necessities of life.
- 37 <u>(b) Before determining the parents' obligations for postsecondary</u>
  38 <u>educational support, the court shall consider all grants and</u>
  39 <u>scholarships awarded to the child, including work-study opportunities</u>

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- if an actual work-study position is available for the child, and subtract those amounts from the total cost of postsecondary educational support to determine the unmet need for postsecondary educational support.
  - (3) The court shall exercise its discretion when determining whether and for how long to award postsecondary educational support based upon consideration of factors that include but are not limited to the following:
- 9 (a) Age of the child;

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- 10 (b) The child's needs;
- 11 <u>(c)</u> The expectations of the parties for their children when the parents were together;
- 13 <u>(d) The child's prospects, desires, aptitudes, abilities or</u>
  14 disabilities;
  - (e) The nature of the postsecondary education sought; ((and))
- 16 <u>(f)</u> The parents' level of education, standard of living, and current and future resources((. Also to be considered are)); and
  - (g) The amount and type of support that the child would have been afforded if the parents had stayed together.
    - ((<del>(3)</del>)) (4) If one or both parents saved separately for postsecondary educational support and paid those amounts directly to the educational institution or the child, those amounts should be considered part of the parent's share of postsecondary educational support.
    - (5) The child must enroll in an accredited academic or vocational school, must be actively pursuing a course of study commensurate with the child's vocational goals, and must be in good academic standing as defined by the institution. ((The court-ordered postsecondary educational support shall be automatically suspended during the period or periods the child fails to comply with these conditions.
    - (4))) (6)(a) Unless the support order provides otherwise, a parent may suspend payment of postsecondary educational support based on the child's failure to be enrolled in an accredited academic or vocational school, failure to actively pursue a course of study commensurate with the child's vocational goals, or failure to be in good academic standing as defined by the institution.
- 37 <u>(b) The obligation to pay postsecondary educational support</u>
  38 <u>remains suspended until the child is in compliance with subsection</u>
  39 (5) of this section.

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(c) If there is a dispute between the parents or between the parent and the child regarding the child's compliance, either parent may file a motion with the court to seek resolution of the dispute, unless the order establishing the obligation to pay postsecondary educational support provides otherwise.

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- (7) The child shall also make available all academic records and grades to both parents as a condition of receiving postsecondary educational support. Each parent shall have full and equal access to the postsecondary education records as provided in RCW 26.09.225.
- 10  $((\frac{5}{}))$  (8) The court shall not order the payment of postsecondary educational expenses beyond the child's twenty-third birthday, except for exceptional circumstances, such as mental, physical, or emotional disabilities.
- $((\frac{(+6)}{(+6)}))$  (9)(a) The court shall direct that either or both parents' payments for postsecondary educational expenses be made directly to the educational institution if feasible.
- 17 <u>(b)</u> If direct payments are not feasible, then the court in its 18 discretion may order that either or both parents' payments be made 19 directly to the child if the child does not reside with either 20 parent.
  - (c) If the child resides with one of the parents the court may direct that the parent making the <u>postsecondary educational</u> support transfer payments make the payments to the child or to the parent ((who has been receiving the support transfer payments)) with whom the child is residing. If the child's living situation changes, that change shall be a basis to change the terms of the postsecondary educational support transfer payment to the other parent.
  - (d) If the child's living situation changes so that the child is no longer residing with either parent, both parents shall make the payments to the educational institution, if feasible, or to the child.
- 32 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 8.** This act takes effect October 1, 2015.

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