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CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT

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Ms. Marty Garrity, Director Bureau of Legislative Research State Capitol Room 315 Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Ms. Garrity:

In compliance with Arkansas Code Ann. § 25-10-118, we are submitting a semi-annual report on the performance and progress of the Child Support Program for the period July 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015.

If you need additional information or have questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Alan McVey Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Larry Walther, DFA Director Tim Leathers, DFA Deputy Director John Theis, Assistant Commissioner for Policy/Legal Walter Anger, Assistant Commissioner for Operations/Administration

Semi-Annual Report of Child Support Program July 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015

The following information is submitted in compliance with Arkansas Code Ann. §25-10-118 and summarizes certain activities of the Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) for the six-month period ending December 31, 2015.

A. <u>Hospital Based Paternity Acknowledgment</u> - This program was established in October 1993 to provide information to unwed parents, while still in the hospital for childbirth, of the benefits of establishing paternity. Hospital staff assists them in completion of the necessary paperwork to acknowledge paternity if that is the parent's desire.

Paternity Acknowledgments Received				
07	/01/14 - 12/31/14	07/01/15 - 12/31/15	Percent Change	
	4,352	4,495	+3.3%	

B. <u>License Suspension Program</u> - The Office of Child Support Enforcement is authorized to suspend driver's licenses, game and fish licenses, professional and business licenses, and vehicle tags of non-custodial parents if certain conditions exist on a case.

Driver's Licenses Suspended

07/04/44 40/04/44		
07/01/14 - 12/31/14	07/01/15 - 12/31/15	Percent Change
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3,604	3.675	+2.0%
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Game and Fish Licenses Suspended

<u>07/01/14 - 12/31/14</u>	07/01/15 - 12/31/15	Percent Change
1,019	1,034	+1.4%

Professional/Business Licenses Suspended

<u>07/01/14 - 12/31/14</u>	07/01/15 - 12/31/15	Percent Change	
406	347	-14.5%	

Vehicle Tags Suspended

07/01/14 - 12/31/14	07/01/15 - 12/31/15	Percent Change
617	589	-4.5%

C. Enforcement

	12/31/14	12/31/15	Percent Change
Enforcement Cases	111,617	107,331	-3.8%
New Cases Opened	10,830	10,773	-0.5%

D. Collections

	07/01/14 - 12/31/14	07/01/15 - 12/31/15	Percent Change
Enforcement Collections	\$120,696,930	\$120,942,761	+0.2%
Non-Enforcement Collections	\$23,084,169	\$22,366,991	-3.1%
Total Collections	\$143,781,099	\$143,309,752	-0.3%