



ORS CHAPTER 25

TECHNICAL TUNE-UP

The Oregon Child Support Program has played a critical role in the lives of Oregon families for 50 years. In that time, child support practices, public policies, and the lives of the people we serve have evolved. Looking ahead, the program is committed to providing the right services at the right time to support parents in supporting their children. To better fulfill our mission, we seek to modernize outdated language, make small adjustments to improve access to justice, and close gaps in services.



MULTIPLE JUDGMENTS

Improves access to justice by expanding the circumstances in which a “notice of controlling judgment” can be used:

- Amends ORS 25.095 so that administrative orders may replace judicial orders, when appropriate.
- Accommodates judgments that switch the child support obligation from one parent to the other.



ELECTRONIC DELIVERY

Expands delivery methods to include electronic mail or other electronic delivery, when specified.



- Replaces “**notice and finding of financial responsibility**” with “**notice and proposed order**.”
- Replaces “**enforcement**” with “**child support program services**” where appropriate.
- Makes references to “**Child Support Program**” consistent.
- Updates ORS 25.084 so that a petition or motion may include a request to enroll for child support services.



MISCELLANEOUS CLEANUP CHANGES

- Formally adds ORS 25.501 to 25.556 series to Chapter 25.
- Repeals statutes related to collecting child support for the Oregon Youth Authority.
- Moves definitions of “public assistance” from 25.501 to 25.010.
- Clarifies language in ORS 25.505 and 25.511 that a written request for enforcement of a child support obligation may be received from another jurisdiction’s Title IV-D child support program or an authorized country as described in ORS 110.503(5).
- Conforming amendment to match ORS 670.406, which was enacted in Senate Bill 854 (2019) related to licensing agencies, boards, and commissions sharing with the Oregon Child Support Program a federal Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) when a Social Security number is not available.