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BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Concerning the calculation of child support.

1 AN ACT Relating to the calculation of child support; amending RCW
2 26.19.001, 26.19.011, 26.19.020, 26.19.035, 26.19.065, 26.19.071,
3 26.19.075, and 26.19.080; and adding a new section to chapter 26.19
4 RCW.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 26.19.001 and 1988 c 275 s 1 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

8 The legislature intends, in establishing a child support schedule,
9 to insure that child support orders are adequate to meet a child's
10 basic needs and to provide additional child support commensurate with
11 the parents' income, resources, and standard of living. The
12 legislature also intends that the child support obligation should be
13 equitably apportioned between the parents.

14 The legislature finds that these goals will be best achieved by the
15 adoption and use of a statewide child support schedule which is based
16 on the income-shares model using economic estimates of the current cost
17 of child rearing. The estimates are reviewed under RCW 26.19.025 in
18 order to maintain a child support schedule that reflects current
19 economic data. The Betson-Rothbarth estimate of the cost of child

1 rearing and the Betson-Engel estimate of the cost of child rearing with
2 necessary adjustments to remove costs of day care and health care have
3 been averaged to arrive at the economic table set forth in RCW
4 26.19.020. Use of a statewide schedule will benefit children and their
5 parents by:

6 (1) Increasing the adequacy of child support orders through the use
7 of economic data as the basis for establishing the child support
8 schedule;

9 (2) Increasing the equity of child support orders by providing for
10 comparable orders in cases with similar circumstances; and

11 (3) Reducing the adversarial nature of the proceedings by
12 increasing voluntary settlements as a result of the greater
13 predictability achieved by a uniform statewide child support schedule.

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

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

18 (1) "Adjustment" means the application of the provisions of this
19 chapter that result in a child support obligation that may be more or
20 less than the standard calculation, but that are not deviations from
21 the standard calculation as defined by RCW 26.19.075.

22 (2) "Basic child support obligation" means the monthly child
23 support obligation determined from the economic table based on the
24 parties' combined monthly net income and the number of children (a) for
25 whom support is owed, and (b) who are before the court.

26 ((+2)) (3) "Child support schedule" means the standards, economic
27 table, worksheets, and instructions, as defined in this chapter.

28 ((+3)) (4) "Court" means a superior court judge, court
29 commissioner, and presiding and reviewing officers who administratively
30 determine or enforce child support orders.

31 ((+4)) (5) "Deviation" means a child support amount that differs
32 from the standard calculation based on one or more of the factors set
33 forth in RCW 26.19.075.

34 ((+5)) (6) "Economic table" means the child support table for the
35 basic support obligation provided in RCW 26.19.020.

36 ((+6)) (7) "Instructions" means the instructions developed by the

1 administrative office of the courts pursuant to RCW 26.19.050 for use
2 in completing the worksheets.

3 ~~((+7))~~ (8) "Limits" or "limitations" means the lower and upper
4 limits on the amount of the income of the obligor and obligee when the
5 amount of child support to be paid would reduce or exceed the lower or
6 upper limits provided in RCW 26.19.065. The application of the lower
7 and upper limits standards based on the amount of the income of the
8 obligor or the obligee in relation to the amount of the child support
9 to be paid is not a deviation from the standard calculation.

10 (9) "Self-support reserve" means one hundred twenty-five percent of
11 the federal poverty guidelines for one person published annually in the
12 federal register by the United States department of health and human
13 services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. Sec. 9902(2).

14 (10) "Standards" means the standards for determination of child
15 support as provided in this chapter.

16 ~~((+8))~~ (11) "Standard calculation" means the presumptive amount of
17 child support owed as determined from the child support schedule before
18 the court considers any reasons for adjustments, limitations, or
19 deviations.

20 ~~((+9))~~ (12) "Support transfer payment" means the amount of money
21 the court orders one parent to pay to another parent or custodian for
22 child support after determination of the standard calculation and
23 adjustments, limitations, or deviations. If certain expenses or
24 credits are expected to fluctuate and the order states a formula or
25 percentage to determine the additional amount or credit on an ongoing
26 basis, the term "support transfer payment" does not mean the additional
27 amount or credit.

28 ~~((+10))~~ (13) "Worksheets" means the forms developed by the
29 administrative office of the courts pursuant to RCW 26.19.050 for use
30 in determining the amount of child support.

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

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34 (ECONOMIC TABLE
35 MONTHLY BASIC SUPPORT OBLIGATION
36 PER CHILD

KEY: A=AGE 0-11 B=AGE 12-18

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COMBINED	ONE		TWO	
MONTHLY	CHILD		CHILDREN	
NET	FAMILY		FAMILY	
INCOME	FAMILY		FAMILY	

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9 For income less than \$1000 the obligation is
10 based upon the resources and living expenses of
11 each household. Minimum support may not be
12 less than \$50 per child per month except when
13 allowed by RCW 26.19.065(2).

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1100	242	299	188	232
1200	264	326	205	253
1300	285	352	221	274
1400	307	379	238	294
1500	327	404	254	313
1600	347	428	269	333
1700	367	453	285	352
1800	387	478	300	371
1900	407	503	316	390
2000	427	527	331	409
2100	447	552	347	429
2200	467	577	362	448
2300	487	601	378	467
2400	506	626	393	486
2500	526	650	408	505
2600	534	661	416	513
2700	542	670	421	520
2800	549	679	427	527
2900	556	686	431	533
3000	561	693	436	538
3100	566	699	439	543
3200	569	704	442	546
3300	573	708	445	549

1	3400	574	710	446	551
2	3500	575	711	447	552
3	3600	577	712	448	553
4	3700	578	713	449	554
5	3800	581	719	452	558
6	3900	596	736	463	572
7	4000	609	753	473	584
8	4100	623	770	484	598
9	4200	638	788	495	611
10	4300	651	805	506	625
11	4400	664	821	516	637
12	4500	677	836	525	649
13	4600	689	851	535	661
14	4700	701	866	545	673
15	4800	713	882	554	685
16	4900	726	897	564	697
17	5000	738	912	574	708
18	5100	751	928	584	720
19	5200	763	943	593	732
20	5300	776	959	602	744
21	5400	788	974	612	756
22	5500	800	989	622	768
23	5600	812	1004	632	779
24	5700	825	1019	641	791
25	5800	837	1035	650	803
26	5900	850	1050	660	815
27	6000	862	1065	670	827
28	6100	875	1081	680	839
29	6200	887	1096	689	851
30	6300	899	1112	699	863
31	6400	911	1127	709	875
32	6500	924	1142	718	887
33	6600	936	1157	728	899
34	6700	949	1172	737	911
35	6800	961	1188	747	923
36	6900	974	1203	757	935
37	7000	986	1218	767	946

1	7100	998	1233	776	958
2	7200	1009	1248	785	971
3	7300	1021	1262	794	982
4	7400	1033	1276	803	993
5	7500	1044	1290	812	1004
6	7600	1055	1305	821	1015
7	7700	1067	1319	830	1026
8	7800	1078	1333	839	1037
9	7900	1089	1346	848	1048
10	8000	1100	1360	857	1059
11	8100	1112	1374	865	1069
12	8200	1123	1387	874	1080
13	8300	1134	1401	882	1091
14	8400	1144	1414	891	1101
15	8500	1155	1428	899	1112
16	8600	1166	1441	908	1122
17	8700	1177	1454	916	1133
18	8800	1187	1467	925	1143
19	8900	1198	1481	933	1153
20	9000	1208	1493	941	1163
21	9100	1219	1506	949	1173
22	9200	1229	1519	957	1183
23	9300	1239	1532	966	1193
24	9400	1250	1545	974	1203
25	9500	1260	1557	982	1213
26	9600	1270	1570	989	1223
27	9700	1280	1582	997	1233
28	9800	1290	1594	1005	1242
29	9900	1300	1606	1013	1252
30	10000	1310	1619	1021	1262
31	10100	1319	1631	1028	1271
32	10200	1329	1643	1036	1281
33	10300	1339	1655	1044	1290
34	10400	1348	1666	1051	1299
35	10500	1358	1678	1059	1308
36	10600	1367	1690	1066	1318
37	10700	1377	1701	1073	1327

1	10800	1386	1713	1081	1336
2	10900	1395	1724	1088	1345
3	11000	1404	1736	1095	1354
4	11100	1413	1747	1102	1363
5	11200	1422	1758	1110	1371
6	11300	1431	1769	1117	1380
7	11400	1440	1780	1124	1389
8	11500	1449	1791	1131	1398
9	11600	1458	1802	1138	1406
10	11700	1467	1813	1145	1415
11	11800	1475	1823	1151	1423
12	11900	1484	1834	1158	1431
13	12000	1492	1844	1165	1440

COMBINED

MONTHLY	THREE		FOUR		FIVE	
NET	CHILDREN		CHILDREN		CHILDREN	
INCOME	FAMILY		FAMILY		FAMILY	
	A	B	A	B	A	B

For income less than \$1000 the obligation is based upon the resources and living expenses of each household. Minimum support may not be less than \$50 per child per month except when allowed by RCW 26.19.065(2).

26	1000	143	177	121	149	105	130
27	1100	157	194	133	164	116	143
28	1200	171	211	144	179	126	156
29	1300	185	228	156	193	136	168
30	1400	199	246	168	208	147	181
31	1500	212	262	179	221	156	193
32	1600	225	278	190	235	166	205
33	1700	238	294	201	248	175	217
34	1800	251	310	212	262	185	228

1	1900	264	326	223	275	194	240
2	2000	277	342	234	289	204	252
3	2100	289	358	245	303	213	264
4	2200	302	374	256	316	223	276
5	2300	315	390	267	330	233	288
6	2400	328	406	278	343	242	299
7	2500	341	421	288	356	251	311
8	2600	346	428	293	362	256	316
9	2700	351	435	298	368	259	321
10	2800	356	440	301	372	262	324
11	2900	360	445	305	376	266	328
12	3000	364	449	308	380	268	331
13	3100	367	453	310	383	270	334
14	3200	369	457	312	386	272	336
15	3300	371	459	314	388	273	339
16	3400	372	460	315	389	274	340
17	3500	373	461	316	390	275	341
18	3600	374	462	317	391	276	342
19	3700	375	463	318	392	277	343
20	3800	377	466	319	394	278	344
21	3900	386	477	326	404	284	352
22	4000	395	488	334	413	291	360
23	4100	404	500	341	422	298	368
24	4200	413	511	350	431	305	377
25	4300	422	522	357	441	311	385
26	4400	431	532	364	449	317	392
27	4500	438	542	371	458	323	400
28	4600	446	552	377	467	329	407
29	4700	455	562	384	475	335	414
30	4800	463	572	391	483	341	422
31	4900	470	581	398	491	347	429
32	5000	479	592	404	500	353	437
33	5100	487	602	411	509	359	443
34	5200	494	611	418	517	365	451
35	5300	503	621	425	525	371	458
36	5400	511	632	432	533	377	466
37	5500	518	641	439	542	383	473

1	5600	527	651	446	551	389	480
2	5700	535	661	452	559	395	488
3	5800	543	671	459	567	401	495
4	5900	551	681	466	575	407	502
5	6000	559	691	473	584	413	509
6	6100	567	701	479	593	418	517
7	6200	575	710	486	601	424	524
8	6300	583	721	493	609	430	532
9	6400	591	731	500	617	436	539
10	6500	599	740	506	626	442	546
11	6600	607	750	513	635	448	554
12	6700	615	761	520	643	454	561
13	6800	623	770	527	651	460	568
14	6900	631	780	533	659	466	575
15	7000	639	790	540	668	472	583
16	7100	647	800	547	677	478	591
17	7200	654	809	554	684	484	598
18	7300	662	818	560	693	490	605
19	7400	670	828	567	701	496	613
20	7500	677	837	574	709	502	620
21	7600	685	846	581	718	507	627
22	7700	692	855	587	726	513	634
23	7800	700	865	594	734	519	642
24	7900	707	874	601	742	525	649
25	8000	714	883	607	750	531	656
26	8100	722	892	614	759	536	663
27	8200	729	901	620	767	542	670
28	8300	736	910	627	775	548	677
29	8400	743	919	633	783	553	684
30	8500	750	928	640	791	559	691
31	8600	758	936	646	799	565	698
32	8700	765	945	653	807	570	705
33	8800	772	954	659	815	576	712
34	8900	779	962	665	822	582	719
35	9000	786	971	672	830	587	726
36	9100	792	980	678	838	593	732
37	9200	799	988	684	846	598	739

1	9300	806	996	691	854	604	746
2	9400	813	1005	697	861	609	753
3	9500	820	1013	703	869	614	759
4	9600	826	1021	709	877	620	766
5	9700	833	1030	716	884	625	773
6	9800	840	1038	722	892	631	779
7	9900	846	1046	728	900	636	786
8	10000	853	1054	734	907	641	793
9	10100	859	1062	740	915	647	799
10	10200	866	1070	746	922	652	806
11	10300	872	1078	752	930	657	812
12	10400	879	1086	758	937	662	819
13	10500	885	1094	764	944	668	825
14	10600	891	1102	770	952	673	832
15	10700	898	1109	776	959	678	838
16	10800	904	1117	782	966	683	844
17	10900	910	1125	788	974	688	851
18	11000	916	1132	794	981	693	857
19	11100	922	1140	799	988	698	863
20	11200	928	1147	805	995	703	869
21	11300	934	1155	811	1002	708	876
22	11400	940	1162	817	1009	714	882
23	11500	946	1170	822	1017	719	888
24	11600	952	1177	828	1024	723	894
25	11700	958	1184	834	1031	728	900
26	11800	964	1191	839	1038	733	906
27	11900	970	1199	845	1045	738	912
28	12000	975	1206	851	1051	743	919))

29 (1) For combined monthly net income less than one thousand dollars,
30 the basic support obligation is based upon the resources and living
31 expenses of each household. Minimum support shall not be less than
32 fifty dollars per child per month, except when allowed by RCW
33 26.19.065(2).

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ECONOMIC TABLE

MONTHLY BASIC SUPPORT OBLIGATION PER CHILD

	<u>COMBINED</u>	<u>ONE CHILD</u>	<u>TWO</u>	<u>THREE</u>	<u>FOUR</u>	<u>FIVE</u>
	<u>MONTHLY</u>	<u>FAMILY</u>	<u>CHILDREN</u>	<u>CHILDREN</u>	<u>CHILDREN</u>	<u>CHILDREN</u>
	<u>NET INCOME</u>		<u>FAMILY</u>	<u>FAMILY</u>	<u>FAMILY</u>	<u>FAMILY</u>
8	<u>1000</u>	<u>273</u>	<u>195</u>	<u>151</u>	<u>126</u>	<u>110</u>
9	<u>1100</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>215</u>	<u>166</u>	<u>138</u>	<u>121</u>
10	<u>1200</u>	<u>327</u>	<u>234</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>132</u>
11	<u>1300</u>	<u>354</u>	<u>253</u>	<u>195</u>	<u>163</u>	<u>142</u>
12	<u>1400</u>	<u>381</u>	<u>272</u>	<u>210</u>	<u>175</u>	<u>153</u>
13	<u>1500</u>	<u>406</u>	<u>292</u>	<u>225</u>	<u>187</u>	<u>164</u>
14	<u>1600</u>	<u>434</u>	<u>310</u>	<u>239</u>	<u>199</u>	<u>174</u>
15	<u>1700</u>	<u>459</u>	<u>328</u>	<u>253</u>	<u>210</u>	<u>183</u>
16	<u>1800</u>	<u>484</u>	<u>345</u>	<u>266</u>	<u>221</u>	<u>194</u>
17	<u>1900</u>	<u>509</u>	<u>363</u>	<u>280</u>	<u>233</u>	<u>203</u>
18	<u>2000</u>	<u>535</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>294</u>	<u>245</u>	<u>214</u>
19	<u>2100</u>	<u>561</u>	<u>399</u>	<u>308</u>	<u>257</u>	<u>224</u>
20	<u>2200</u>	<u>588</u>	<u>418</u>	<u>323</u>	<u>269</u>	<u>235</u>
21	<u>2300</u>	<u>614</u>	<u>436</u>	<u>338</u>	<u>281</u>	<u>246</u>
22	<u>2400</u>	<u>640</u>	<u>455</u>	<u>353</u>	<u>293</u>	<u>256</u>
23	<u>2500</u>	<u>666</u>	<u>473</u>	<u>366</u>	<u>305</u>	<u>266</u>
24	<u>2600</u>	<u>691</u>	<u>491</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>316</u>	<u>276</u>
25	<u>2700</u>	<u>717</u>	<u>509</u>	<u>394</u>	<u>328</u>	<u>286</u>
26	<u>2800</u>	<u>743</u>	<u>527</u>	<u>408</u>	<u>339</u>	<u>296</u>
27	<u>2900</u>	<u>769</u>	<u>545</u>	<u>423</u>	<u>351</u>	<u>306</u>
28	<u>3000</u>	<u>794</u>	<u>563</u>	<u>436</u>	<u>363</u>	<u>317</u>
29	<u>3100</u>	<u>820</u>	<u>582</u>	<u>455</u>	<u>374</u>	<u>327</u>
30	<u>3200</u>	<u>846</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>465</u>	<u>387</u>	<u>338</u>
31	<u>3300</u>	<u>868</u>	<u>616</u>	<u>477</u>	<u>397</u>	<u>346</u>
32	<u>3400</u>	<u>881</u>	<u>624</u>	<u>482</u>	<u>402</u>	<u>350</u>
33	<u>3500</u>	<u>894</u>	<u>633</u>	<u>489</u>	<u>406</u>	<u>355</u>
34	<u>3600</u>	<u>908</u>	<u>641</u>	<u>494</u>	<u>411</u>	<u>359</u>
35	<u>3700</u>	<u>921</u>	<u>650</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>416</u>	<u>363</u>
36	<u>3800</u>	<u>934</u>	<u>659</u>	<u>506</u>	<u>421</u>	<u>367</u>

1	<u>3900</u>	<u>947</u>	<u>667</u>	<u>512</u>	<u>426</u>	<u>372</u>
2	<u>4000</u>	<u>960</u>	<u>676</u>	<u>518</u>	<u>431</u>	<u>376</u>
3	<u>4100</u>	<u>974</u>	<u>684</u>	<u>524</u>	<u>436</u>	<u>381</u>
4	<u>4200</u>	<u>987</u>	<u>693</u>	<u>530</u>	<u>441</u>	<u>385</u>
5	<u>4300</u>	<u>1000</u>	<u>701</u>	<u>536</u>	<u>446</u>	<u>390</u>
6	<u>4400</u>	<u>1013</u>	<u>710</u>	<u>542</u>	<u>451</u>	<u>394</u>
7	<u>4500</u>	<u>1027</u>	<u>719</u>	<u>549</u>	<u>457</u>	<u>399</u>
8	<u>4600</u>	<u>1041</u>	<u>728</u>	<u>555</u>	<u>462</u>	<u>403</u>
9	<u>4700</u>	<u>1055</u>	<u>737</u>	<u>562</u>	<u>468</u>	<u>408</u>
10	<u>4800</u>	<u>1069</u>	<u>747</u>	<u>568</u>	<u>473</u>	<u>413</u>
11	<u>4900</u>	<u>1081</u>	<u>755</u>	<u>575</u>	<u>478</u>	<u>417</u>
12	<u>5000</u>	<u>1092</u>	<u>763</u>	<u>581</u>	<u>483</u>	<u>422</u>
13	<u>5100</u>	<u>1103</u>	<u>771</u>	<u>587</u>	<u>489</u>	<u>426</u>
14	<u>5200</u>	<u>1110</u>	<u>776</u>	<u>591</u>	<u>491</u>	<u>429</u>
15	<u>5300</u>	<u>1116</u>	<u>779</u>	<u>593</u>	<u>494</u>	<u>431</u>
16	<u>5400</u>	<u>1121</u>	<u>783</u>	<u>596</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>433</u>
17	<u>5500</u>	<u>1127</u>	<u>787</u>	<u>599</u>	<u>498</u>	<u>435</u>
18	<u>5600</u>	<u>1132</u>	<u>791</u>	<u>601</u>	<u>501</u>	<u>437</u>
19	<u>5700</u>	<u>1138</u>	<u>794</u>	<u>603</u>	<u>503</u>	<u>439</u>
20	<u>5800</u>	<u>1145</u>	<u>799</u>	<u>607</u>	<u>506</u>	<u>441</u>
21	<u>5900</u>	<u>1153</u>	<u>803</u>	<u>611</u>	<u>508</u>	<u>444</u>
22	<u>6000</u>	<u>1160</u>	<u>808</u>	<u>614</u>	<u>511</u>	<u>446</u>
23	<u>6100</u>	<u>1172</u>	<u>816</u>	<u>620</u>	<u>516</u>	<u>450</u>
24	<u>6200</u>	<u>1188</u>	<u>826</u>	<u>628</u>	<u>522</u>	<u>456</u>
25	<u>6300</u>	<u>1203</u>	<u>837</u>	<u>636</u>	<u>529</u>	<u>462</u>
26	<u>6400</u>	<u>1218</u>	<u>847</u>	<u>644</u>	<u>536</u>	<u>467</u>
27	<u>6500</u>	<u>1234</u>	<u>858</u>	<u>652</u>	<u>543</u>	<u>474</u>
28	<u>6600</u>	<u>1249</u>	<u>868</u>	<u>660</u>	<u>549</u>	<u>480</u>
29	<u>6700</u>	<u>1266</u>	<u>880</u>	<u>669</u>	<u>557</u>	<u>486</u>
30	<u>6800</u>	<u>1282</u>	<u>891</u>	<u>678</u>	<u>564</u>	<u>492</u>
31	<u>6900</u>	<u>1299</u>	<u>903</u>	<u>686</u>	<u>571</u>	<u>498</u>
32	<u>7000</u>	<u>1314</u>	<u>914</u>	<u>694</u>	<u>578</u>	<u>504</u>
33	<u>7100</u>	<u>1327</u>	<u>923</u>	<u>701</u>	<u>583</u>	<u>509</u>
34	<u>7200</u>	<u>1340</u>	<u>932</u>	<u>708</u>	<u>589</u>	<u>514</u>
35	<u>7300</u>	<u>1354</u>	<u>941</u>	<u>715</u>	<u>595</u>	<u>519</u>
36	<u>7400</u>	<u>1367</u>	<u>949</u>	<u>722</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>524</u>
37	<u>7500</u>	<u>1378</u>	<u>957</u>	<u>727</u>	<u>605</u>	<u>528</u>

1	<u>7600</u>	<u>1388</u>	<u>965</u>	<u>733</u>	<u>610</u>	<u>532</u>
2	<u>7700</u>	<u>1399</u>	<u>972</u>	<u>739</u>	<u>615</u>	<u>537</u>
3	<u>7800</u>	<u>1409</u>	<u>980</u>	<u>744</u>	<u>619</u>	<u>540</u>
4	<u>7900</u>	<u>1419</u>	<u>987</u>	<u>750</u>	<u>624</u>	<u>545</u>
5	<u>8000</u>	<u>1429</u>	<u>994</u>	<u>756</u>	<u>629</u>	<u>549</u>
6	<u>8100</u>	<u>1440</u>	<u>1002</u>	<u>761</u>	<u>633</u>	<u>553</u>
7	<u>8200</u>	<u>1450</u>	<u>1009</u>	<u>767</u>	<u>639</u>	<u>557</u>
8	<u>8300</u>	<u>1460</u>	<u>1017</u>	<u>773</u>	<u>643</u>	<u>561</u>
9	<u>8400</u>	<u>1471</u>	<u>1025</u>	<u>779</u>	<u>648</u>	<u>565</u>
10	<u>8500</u>	<u>1482</u>	<u>1032</u>	<u>784</u>	<u>653</u>	<u>569</u>
11	<u>8600</u>	<u>1492</u>	<u>1040</u>	<u>790</u>	<u>657</u>	<u>573</u>
12	<u>8700</u>	<u>1503</u>	<u>1047</u>	<u>796</u>	<u>662</u>	<u>577</u>
13	<u>8800</u>	<u>1514</u>	<u>1054</u>	<u>801</u>	<u>666</u>	<u>582</u>
14	<u>8900</u>	<u>1524</u>	<u>1062</u>	<u>807</u>	<u>671</u>	<u>586</u>
15	<u>9000</u>	<u>1535</u>	<u>1069</u>	<u>812</u>	<u>676</u>	<u>590</u>
16	<u>9100</u>	<u>1546</u>	<u>1076</u>	<u>818</u>	<u>681</u>	<u>594</u>
17	<u>9200</u>	<u>1556</u>	<u>1084</u>	<u>824</u>	<u>685</u>	<u>598</u>
18	<u>9300</u>	<u>1567</u>	<u>1091</u>	<u>829</u>	<u>690</u>	<u>602</u>
19	<u>9400</u>	<u>1584</u>	<u>1098</u>	<u>835</u>	<u>694</u>	<u>606</u>
20	<u>9500</u>	<u>1588</u>	<u>1106</u>	<u>840</u>	<u>699</u>	<u>610</u>
21	<u>9600</u>	<u>1599</u>	<u>1113</u>	<u>846</u>	<u>704</u>	<u>614</u>
22	<u>9700</u>	<u>1610</u>	<u>1121</u>	<u>852</u>	<u>709</u>	<u>618</u>
23	<u>9800</u>	<u>1620</u>	<u>1128</u>	<u>857</u>	<u>713</u>	<u>623</u>
24	<u>9900</u>	<u>1630</u>	<u>1135</u>	<u>862</u>	<u>717</u>	<u>626</u>
25	<u>10000</u>	<u>1639</u>	<u>1142</u>	<u>867</u>	<u>721</u>	<u>630</u>
26	<u>10100</u>	<u>1648</u>	<u>1147</u>	<u>872</u>	<u>725</u>	<u>631</u>
27	<u>10200</u>	<u>1657</u>	<u>1154</u>	<u>876</u>	<u>729</u>	<u>636</u>
28	<u>10300</u>	<u>1666</u>	<u>1160</u>	<u>881</u>	<u>733</u>	<u>640</u>
29	<u>10400</u>	<u>1674</u>	<u>1166</u>	<u>886</u>	<u>737</u>	<u>643</u>
30	<u>10500</u>	<u>1683</u>	<u>1172</u>	<u>890</u>	<u>741</u>	<u>646</u>
31	<u>10600</u>	<u>1692</u>	<u>1178</u>	<u>895</u>	<u>744</u>	<u>649</u>
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33	<u>10800</u>	<u>1708</u>	<u>1189</u>	<u>903</u>	<u>751</u>	<u>655</u>
34	<u>10900</u>	<u>1717</u>	<u>1194</u>	<u>907</u>	<u>754</u>	<u>658</u>
35	<u>11000</u>	<u>1725</u>	<u>1200</u>	<u>911</u>	<u>758</u>	<u>661</u>
36	<u>11100</u>	<u>1733</u>	<u>1205</u>	<u>915</u>	<u>761</u>	<u>664</u>
37	<u>11200</u>	<u>1741</u>	<u>1211</u>	<u>919</u>	<u>764</u>	<u>667</u>

1	<u>11300</u>	<u>1750</u>	<u>1216</u>	<u>923</u>	<u>768</u>	<u>670</u>
2	<u>11400</u>	<u>1758</u>	<u>1222</u>	<u>927</u>	<u>771</u>	<u>673</u>
3	<u>11500</u>	<u>1766</u>	<u>1227</u>	<u>931</u>	<u>774</u>	<u>675</u>
4	<u>11600</u>	<u>1774</u>	<u>1233</u>	<u>935</u>	<u>778</u>	<u>679</u>
5	<u>11700</u>	<u>1783</u>	<u>1238</u>	<u>939</u>	<u>781</u>	<u>682</u>
6	<u>11800</u>	<u>1791</u>	<u>1244</u>	<u>943</u>	<u>785</u>	<u>684</u>
7	<u>11900</u>	<u>1799</u>	<u>1250</u>	<u>947</u>	<u>788</u>	<u>687</u>
8	<u>12000</u>	<u>1808</u>	<u>1255</u>	<u>951</u>	<u>791</u>	<u>690</u>
9	<u>12100</u>	<u>1816</u>	<u>1261</u>	<u>955</u>	<u>795</u>	<u>693</u>
10	<u>12200</u>	<u>1824</u>	<u>1266</u>	<u>960</u>	<u>798</u>	<u>696</u>
11	<u>12300</u>	<u>1832</u>	<u>1272</u>	<u>963</u>	<u>802</u>	<u>699</u>
12	<u>12400</u>	<u>1841</u>	<u>1277</u>	<u>967</u>	<u>805</u>	<u>702</u>
13	<u>12500</u>	<u>1849</u>	<u>1283</u>	<u>972</u>	<u>808</u>	<u>705</u>
14	<u>12600</u>	<u>1858</u>	<u>1289</u>	<u>976</u>	<u>812</u>	<u>708</u>
15	<u>12700</u>	<u>1865</u>	<u>1294</u>	<u>980</u>	<u>815</u>	<u>711</u>
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17	<u>12900</u>	<u>1882</u>	<u>1305</u>	<u>988</u>	<u>821</u>	<u>717</u>
18	<u>13000</u>	<u>1891</u>	<u>1311</u>	<u>992</u>	<u>825</u>	<u>720</u>
19	<u>13100</u>	<u>1899</u>	<u>1316</u>	<u>996</u>	<u>828</u>	<u>723</u>
20	<u>13200</u>	<u>1907</u>	<u>1322</u>	<u>1000</u>	<u>832</u>	<u>725</u>
21	<u>13300</u>	<u>1915</u>	<u>1327</u>	<u>1004</u>	<u>835</u>	<u>728</u>
22	<u>13400</u>	<u>1924</u>	<u>1333</u>	<u>1008</u>	<u>838</u>	<u>732</u>
23	<u>13500</u>	<u>1932</u>	<u>1338</u>	<u>1012</u>	<u>842</u>	<u>734</u>
24	<u>13600</u>	<u>1940</u>	<u>1344</u>	<u>1016</u>	<u>845</u>	<u>737</u>
25	<u>13700</u>	<u>1949</u>	<u>1349</u>	<u>1020</u>	<u>849</u>	<u>740</u>
26	<u>13800</u>	<u>1957</u>	<u>1355</u>	<u>1024</u>	<u>852</u>	<u>743</u>
27	<u>13900</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1360</u>	<u>1028</u>	<u>855</u>	<u>746</u>
28	<u>14000</u>	<u>1973</u>	<u>1366</u>	<u>1032</u>	<u>859</u>	<u>749</u>
29	<u>14100</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>1371</u>	<u>1037</u>	<u>862</u>	<u>752</u>
30	<u>14200</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1377</u>	<u>1041</u>	<u>866</u>	<u>755</u>
31	<u>14300</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1381</u>	<u>1044</u>	<u>868</u>	<u>757</u>
32	<u>14400</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>1385</u>	<u>1047</u>	<u>871</u>	<u>760</u>
33	<u>14500</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>1390</u>	<u>1050</u>	<u>873</u>	<u>762</u>
34	<u>14600</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>1394</u>	<u>1053</u>	<u>876</u>	<u>764</u>
35	<u>14700</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>1399</u>	<u>1058</u>	<u>880</u>	<u>767</u>
36	<u>14800</u>	<u>2029</u>	<u>1405</u>	<u>1062</u>	<u>883</u>	<u>770</u>
37	<u>14900</u>	<u>2037</u>	<u>1410</u>	<u>1066</u>	<u>887</u>	<u>773</u>

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2	<u>15100</u>	<u>2052</u>	<u>1421</u>	<u>1074</u>	<u>893</u>	<u>779</u>
3	<u>15200</u>	<u>2060</u>	<u>1426</u>	<u>1078</u>	<u>897</u>	<u>782</u>
4	<u>15300</u>	<u>2068</u>	<u>1432</u>	<u>1082</u>	<u>900</u>	<u>785</u>
5	<u>15400</u>	<u>2075</u>	<u>1437</u>	<u>1086</u>	<u>904</u>	<u>788</u>
6	<u>15500</u>	<u>2083</u>	<u>1442</u>	<u>1090</u>	<u>907</u>	<u>791</u>
7	<u>15600</u>	<u>2090</u>	<u>1447</u>	<u>1094</u>	<u>910</u>	<u>794</u>
8	<u>15700</u>	<u>2098</u>	<u>1453</u>	<u>1098</u>	<u>913</u>	<u>796</u>
9	<u>15800</u>	<u>2105</u>	<u>1458</u>	<u>1102</u>	<u>917</u>	<u>799</u>
10	<u>15900</u>	<u>2113</u>	<u>1463</u>	<u>1106</u>	<u>920</u>	<u>802</u>
11	<u>16000</u>	<u>2120</u>	<u>1468</u>	<u>1110</u>	<u>923</u>	<u>805</u>
12	<u>16100</u>	<u>2128</u>	<u>1474</u>	<u>1114</u>	<u>927</u>	<u>808</u>
13	<u>16200</u>	<u>2135</u>	<u>1479</u>	<u>1118</u>	<u>930</u>	<u>811</u>
14	<u>16300</u>	<u>2143</u>	<u>1484</u>	<u>1122</u>	<u>933</u>	<u>814</u>
15	<u>16400</u>	<u>2150</u>	<u>1489</u>	<u>1126</u>	<u>936</u>	<u>816</u>
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17	<u>16600</u>	<u>2165</u>	<u>1499</u>	<u>1133</u>	<u>943</u>	<u>822</u>
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19	<u>16800</u>	<u>2179</u>	<u>1509</u>	<u>1141</u>	<u>949</u>	<u>828</u>
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21	<u>17000</u>	<u>2194</u>	<u>1519</u>	<u>1148</u>	<u>955</u>	<u>833</u>
22	<u>17100</u>	<u>2201</u>	<u>1525</u>	<u>1153</u>	<u>959</u>	<u>836</u>
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27	<u>17600</u>	<u>2237</u>	<u>1550</u>	<u>1172</u>	<u>974</u>	<u>850</u>
28	<u>17700</u>	<u>2244</u>	<u>1554</u>	<u>1175</u>	<u>977</u>	<u>853</u>
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3	<u>18900</u>	<u>2328</u>	<u>1613</u>	<u>1219</u>	<u>1015</u>	<u>885</u>
4	<u>19000</u>	<u>2335</u>	<u>1617</u>	<u>1223</u>	<u>1018</u>	<u>887</u>
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7	<u>19300</u>	<u>2355</u>	<u>1632</u>	<u>1234</u>	<u>1026</u>	<u>895</u>
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12	<u>19800</u>	<u>2389</u>	<u>1655</u>	<u>1252</u>	<u>1041</u>	<u>908</u>
13	<u>19900</u>	<u>2396</u>	<u>1660</u>	<u>1255</u>	<u>1044</u>	<u>910</u>
14	<u>20000</u>	<u>2402</u>	<u>1665</u>	<u>1259</u>	<u>1047</u>	<u>913</u>

15 (3) The economic table is presumptive for combined monthly net
16 incomes up to and including ((~~twelve~~)) twenty thousand dollars. When
17 combined monthly net income exceeds ((~~twelve~~)) twenty thousand dollars,
18 the court may exceed the presumptive amount of support set for combined
19 monthly net incomes of ((~~twelve~~)) twenty thousand dollars upon written
20 findings of fact.

21 **Sec. 4.** RCW 26.19.035 and 2005 c 282 s 36 are each amended to read
22 as follows:

23 (1) **Application of the child support schedule.** The child support
24 schedule shall be applied:

- 25 (a) In each county of the state;
- 26 (b) In judicial and administrative proceedings under this title or
27 Title 13 or 74 RCW;
- 28 (c) In all proceedings in which child support is determined or
29 modified;
- 30 (d) In setting temporary and permanent support;
- 31 (e) In automatic modification provisions or decrees entered
32 pursuant to RCW 26.09.100; and
- 33 (f) In addition to proceedings in which child support is determined
34 for minors, to adult children who are dependent on their parents and
35 for whom support is ordered pursuant to RCW 26.09.100.

1 The provisions of this chapter for determining child support and
2 reasons for adjustments, limitations, or deviations from the standard
3 calculation shall be applied in the same manner by the court, presiding
4 officers, and reviewing officers.

5 (2) **Written findings of fact supported by the evidence.** An order
6 for child support shall be supported by written findings of fact upon
7 which the support determination is based and shall include reasons for
8 any adjustment, limitation, or deviation from the standard calculation
9 and reasons for denial of a party's request for adjustment, limitation,
10 or deviation from the standard calculation. The court shall enter
11 written findings of fact in all cases (~~whether or not the court: (a)~~
12 ~~Sets the support at the presumptive amount, for combined monthly net~~
13 ~~incomes below five thousand dollars; (b) sets the support at an~~
14 ~~advisory amount, for combined monthly net incomes between five thousand~~
15 ~~and seven thousand dollars; or (c) deviates from the presumptive or~~
16 ~~advisory amounts)) when the court approves limitations, adjustments, or
17 deviations.~~

18 (3) **Completion of worksheets.** Worksheets in the form developed by
19 the administrative office of the courts shall be completed under
20 penalty of perjury and filed in every proceeding in which child support
21 is determined. The court shall not accept incomplete worksheets or
22 worksheets that vary from the worksheets developed by the
23 administrative office of the courts.

24 (4) **Court review of the worksheets and order.** The court shall
25 review the worksheets and the order setting support for the adequacy of
26 the reasons set forth for any deviation or denial of any request for
27 deviation and for the adequacy of the amount of support ordered. Each
28 order shall state the amount of child support calculated using the
29 standard calculation and the amount of child support actually ordered.
30 Worksheets shall be attached to the decree or order or if filed
31 separately shall be initialed or signed by the judge and filed with the
32 order.

33 **Sec. 5.** RCW 26.19.065 and 2009 c 84 s 2 are each amended to read
34 as follows:

35 (1) **Limit at forty-five percent of a parent's net income.** Neither
36 parent's current child support obligation owed for all his or her
37 biological or legal children, which includes the support transfer

1 payment ordered and the parent's proportional share of other court-
2 ordered child support obligations for day care and health care expenses
3 for the children before the court, may exceed forty-five percent of net
4 income except for good cause shown.

5 ~~(a) ((Each child is entitled to a pro rata share of the income~~
6 ~~available for support, but the court only applies the pro rata share to~~
7 ~~the children in the case before the court.~~

8 ~~(b))~~ Before determining whether to apply the forty-five percent
9 limitation, the court must consider whether it would be unjust to apply
10 the limitation after considering the best interests of the child and
11 the circumstances of each parent. Such circumstances include, but are
12 not limited to, leaving insufficient funds in the custodial parent's
13 household to meet the basic needs of the child, comparative hardship to
14 the affected households, assets or liabilities, and any involuntary
15 limits on either parent's earning capacity including incarceration,
16 disabilities, or incapacity.

17 ~~((+e))~~ (b) Good cause includes, but is not limited to, possession
18 of substantial wealth, children with day care expenses, special medical
19 need, educational need, psychological need, and larger families.

20 (2) **Presumptive minimum support obligation.** (a) When a parent's
21 monthly net income is below one hundred twenty-five percent of the
22 federal poverty guideline, a support order of not less than fifty
23 dollars per child per month shall be entered unless the obligor parent
24 establishes that it would be unjust to do so in that particular case.
25 The decision whether there is a sufficient basis to deviate below the
26 presumptive minimum payment must take into consideration the best
27 interests of the child and the circumstances of each parent. Such
28 circumstances can include leaving insufficient funds in the custodial
29 parent's household to meet the basic needs of the child, comparative
30 hardship to the affected households, assets or liabilities, and earning
31 capacity.

32 (b) The basic support obligation of the parent making the transfer
33 payment, excluding health care, day care, and special child-rearing
34 expenses, shall not reduce his or her net income below the self-support
35 reserve of one hundred twenty-five percent of the federal poverty
36 level, except for the presumptive minimum payment of fifty dollars per
37 child per month or when it would be unjust to apply the self-support
38 reserve limitation after considering the best interests of the child

1 and the circumstances of each parent. Such circumstances include, but
2 are not limited to, leaving insufficient funds in the custodial
3 parent's household to meet the basic needs of the child, comparative
4 hardship to the affected households, assets or liabilities, and earning
5 capacity. This section shall not be construed to require monthly
6 substantiation of income.

7 (3) **Income above ((~~twelve~~)) twenty thousand dollars.** The economic
8 table is presumptive for combined monthly net incomes up to and
9 including ((~~twelve~~)) twenty thousand dollars. When combined monthly
10 net income exceeds ((~~twelve~~)) twenty thousand dollars, the court may
11 exceed the presumptive amount of support set for combined monthly net
12 incomes of ((~~twelve~~)) twenty thousand dollars upon written findings of
13 fact.

14 **Sec. 6.** RCW 26.19.071 and 2009 c 84 s 3 are each amended to read
15 as follows:

16 (1) **Consideration of all income.** All income and resources of each
17 parent's household shall be disclosed and considered by the court when
18 the court determines the child support obligation of each parent. Only
19 the income of the parents of the children whose support is at issue
20 shall be calculated for purposes of calculating the basic support
21 obligation. Income and resources of any other person shall not be
22 included in calculating the basic support obligation.

23 (2) **Verification of income.** Tax returns for the preceding two
24 years and current paystubs shall be provided to verify income and
25 deductions. Other sufficient verification shall be required for income
26 and deductions which do not appear on tax returns or paystubs.

27 (3) **Income sources included in gross monthly income.** Except as
28 specifically excluded in subsection (4) of this section, monthly gross
29 income shall include income from any source, including:

- 30 (a) Salaries;
- 31 (b) Wages;
- 32 (c) Commissions;
- 33 (d) Deferred compensation;
- 34 (e) Overtime, except as excluded for income in subsection (4)(h) of
35 this section;
- 36 (f) Contract-related benefits;

1 (g) Income from second jobs, except as excluded for income in
2 subsection (4)(h) of this section;

3 (h) Dividends;

4 (i) Interest;

5 (j) Trust income;

6 (k) Severance pay;

7 (l) Annuities;

8 (m) Capital gains;

9 (n) Pension retirement benefits;

10 (o) Workers' compensation;

11 (p) Unemployment benefits;

12 (q) Maintenance actually received;

13 (r) Bonuses;

14 (s) Social security benefits;

15 (t) Disability insurance benefits; and

16 (u) Income from self-employment, rent, royalties, contracts,
17 proprietorship of a business, or joint ownership of a partnership or
18 closely held corporation.

19 (4) **Income sources excluded from gross monthly income.** The
20 following income and resources shall be disclosed but shall not be
21 included in gross income:

22 (a) Income of a new spouse or new domestic partner or income of
23 other adults in the household;

24 (b) Child support received from other relationships;

25 (c) Gifts and prizes;

26 (d) Temporary assistance for needy families;

27 (e) Supplemental security income;

28 (f) General assistance;

29 (g) Food stamps; and

30 (h) Overtime or income from second jobs beyond forty hours per week
31 averaged over a twelve-month period worked to provide for a current
32 family's needs, to retire past relationship debts, or to retire child
33 support debt, when the court finds the income will cease when the party
34 has paid off his or her debts.

35 Receipt of income and resources from temporary assistance for needy
36 families, supplemental security income, general assistance, and food
37 stamps shall not be a reason to deviate from the standard calculation.

1 (5) **Determination of net income.** The following expenses shall be
2 disclosed and deducted from gross monthly income to calculate net
3 monthly income:

4 (a) Federal and state income taxes;

5 (b) Federal insurance contributions act deductions;

6 (c) Mandatory pension plan payments;

7 (d) Mandatory union or professional dues;

8 (e) State industrial insurance premiums;

9 (f) Court-ordered maintenance to the extent actually paid;

10 (g) Up to five thousand dollars per year in voluntary retirement
11 contributions actually made if the contributions show a pattern of
12 contributions during the one-year period preceding the action
13 establishing the child support order (~~unless there is a determination~~
14 ~~that the contributions were made for the purpose of reducing child~~
15 ~~support~~); and

16 (h) Normal business expenses and self-employment taxes for self-
17 employed persons. Justification shall be required for any business
18 expense deduction about which there is disagreement.

19 Items deducted from gross income under this subsection shall not be
20 a reason to deviate from the standard calculation.

21 (6) **Imputation of income.** (a) The court shall impute income to a
22 parent when the parent is voluntarily unemployed or voluntarily
23 underemployed. The court shall determine whether the parent is
24 voluntarily underemployed or voluntarily unemployed based upon that
25 parent's work history, education, health, and age, or any other
26 relevant factors. A court shall not impute income to a parent who is
27 gainfully employed on a full-time basis, unless the court finds that
28 the parent is voluntarily underemployed and finds that the parent is
29 purposely underemployed to reduce the parent's child support
30 obligation. Income shall not be imputed for an unemployable parent.
31 Income shall not be imputed to a parent to the extent the parent is
32 unemployed or significantly underemployed due to the parent's efforts
33 to comply with court-ordered reunification efforts under chapter 13.34
34 RCW or under a voluntary placement agreement with an agency supervising
35 the child. (b) In the absence of records of a parent's actual
36 earnings, the court shall impute a parent's income in the following
37 order of priority:

38 (~~(a)~~) (i) Full-time earnings at the current rate of pay;

- 1 ~~((b))~~ (ii) Full-time earnings at the historical rate of pay based
- 2 on reliable information, such as employment security department data;
- 3 ~~((c))~~ (iii) Full-time earnings at a past rate of pay where
- 4 information is incomplete or sporadic;
- 5 ~~((d))~~ (iv) Full-time earnings at minimum wage in the jurisdiction
- 6 where the parent resides if the parent has a recent history of minimum
- 7 wage earnings, is recently coming off public assistance, general
- 8 assistance-unemployable, supplemental security income, or disability,
- 9 has recently been released from incarceration, or is a high school
- 10 student;
- 11 ~~((e))~~ (v) Median net monthly income of year-round full-time
- 12 workers as derived from the United States bureau of census, current
- 13 population reports, or such replacement report as published by the
- 14 bureau of census.

15 **Sec. 7.** RCW 26.19.075 and 2009 c 84 s 4 are each amended to read

16 as follows:

17 (1) Reasons for deviation from the standard calculation include but

18 are not limited to the following:

19 (a) **Sources of income and tax planning.** The court may deviate from

20 the standard calculation after consideration of the following:

21 (i) Income of a new spouse or new domestic partner if the parent

22 who is married to the new spouse or in a partnership with a new

23 domestic partner is asking for a deviation based on any other reason.

24 Income of a new spouse or new domestic partner is not, by itself, a

25 sufficient reason for deviation;

26 (ii) Income of other adults in the household if the parent who is

27 living with the other adult is asking for a deviation based on any

28 other reason. Income of the other adults in the household is not, by

29 itself, a sufficient reason for deviation;

30 (iii) Child support actually received from other relationships;

31 (iv) Gifts;

32 (v) Prizes;

33 (vi) Possession of wealth, including but not limited to savings,

34 investments, real estate holdings and business interests, vehicles,

35 boats, pensions, bank accounts, insurance plans, or other assets;

36 (vii) Extraordinary income of a child;

1 (viii) Tax planning considerations. A deviation for tax planning
2 may be granted only if the child would not receive a lesser economic
3 benefit due to the tax planning; or

4 (ix) Income that has been excluded under RCW 26.19.071(4)(h) if the
5 person earning that income asks for a deviation for any other reason.

6 (b) **Nonrecurring income.** The court may deviate from the standard
7 calculation based on a finding that a particular source of income
8 included in the calculation of the basic support obligation is not a
9 recurring source of income. Depending on the circumstances,
10 nonrecurring income may include overtime, contract-related benefits,
11 bonuses, or income from second jobs. Deviations for nonrecurring
12 income shall be based on a review of the nonrecurring income received
13 in the previous two calendar years.

14 (c) **Debt and high expenses.** The court may deviate from the
15 standard calculation after consideration of the following expenses:

16 (i) Extraordinary debt not voluntarily incurred;

17 (ii) A significant disparity in the living costs of the parents due
18 to conditions beyond their control;

19 (iii) Special needs of disabled children;

20 (iv) Special medical, educational, or psychological needs of the
21 children; or

22 (v) Costs incurred or anticipated to be incurred by the parents in
23 compliance with court-ordered reunification efforts under chapter 13.34
24 RCW or under a voluntary placement agreement with an agency supervising
25 the child.

26 ~~((d) **Residential schedule.** The court may deviate from the~~
27 ~~standard calculation if the child spends a significant amount of time~~
28 ~~with the parent who is obligated to make a support transfer payment.~~
29 ~~The court may not deviate on that basis if the deviation will result in~~
30 ~~insufficient funds in the household receiving the support to meet the~~
31 ~~basic needs of the child or if the child is receiving temporary~~
32 ~~assistance for needy families. When determining the amount of the~~
33 ~~deviation, the court shall consider evidence concerning the increased~~
34 ~~expenses to a parent making support transfer payments resulting from~~
35 ~~the significant amount of time spent with that parent and shall~~
36 ~~consider the decreased expenses, if any, to the party receiving the~~
37 ~~support resulting from the significant amount of time the child spends~~
38 ~~with the parent making the support transfer payment.~~

1 ~~(e) **Children from other relationships.** The court may deviate from~~
2 ~~the standard calculation when either or both of the parents before the~~
3 ~~court have children from other relationships to whom the parent owes a~~
4 ~~duty of support.~~

5 ~~(i) The child support schedule shall be applied to the mother,~~
6 ~~father, and children of the family before the court to determine the~~
7 ~~presumptive amount of support.~~

8 ~~(ii) Children from other relationships shall not be counted in the~~
9 ~~number of children for purposes of determining the basic support~~
10 ~~obligation and the standard calculation.~~

11 ~~(iii) When considering a deviation from the standard calculation~~
12 ~~for children from other relationships, the court may consider only~~
13 ~~other children to whom the parent owes a duty of support. The court~~
14 ~~may consider court-ordered payments of child support for children from~~
15 ~~other relationships only to the extent that the support is actually~~
16 ~~paid.~~

17 ~~(iv) When the court has determined that either or both parents have~~
18 ~~children from other relationships, deviations under this section shall~~
19 ~~be based on consideration of the total circumstances of both~~
20 ~~households. All child support obligations paid, received, and owed for~~
21 ~~all children shall be disclosed and considered.))~~

22 (2) All income and resources of the parties before the court, new
23 spouses or new domestic partners, and other adults in the households
24 shall be disclosed and considered as provided in this section. The
25 presumptive amount of support shall be determined according to the
26 child support schedule. Unless specific reasons for deviation are set
27 forth in the written findings of fact and are supported by the
28 evidence, the court shall order each parent to pay the amount of
29 support determined by using the standard calculation.

30 (3) The court shall enter findings that specify reasons for any
31 deviation or any denial of a party's request for any deviation from the
32 standard calculation made by the court. The court shall not consider
33 reasons for deviation until the court determines the standard
34 calculation for each parent.

35 (4) When reasons exist for deviation, the court shall exercise
36 discretion in considering the extent to which the factors would affect
37 the support obligation.

1 (5) Agreement of the parties is not by itself adequate reason for
2 any deviations from the standard calculation.

3 **Sec. 8.** RCW 26.19.080 and 2009 c 84 s 5 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 (1) The basic child support obligation derived from the economic
6 table shall be allocated between the parents based on each parent's
7 share of the combined monthly net income.

8 (2) Health care costs are not included in the economic table.
9 Monthly health care costs shall be shared by the parents in the same
10 proportion as the basic child support obligation. Health care costs
11 shall include, but not be limited to, medical, dental, orthodontia,
12 vision, chiropractic, mental health treatment, and prescription
13 medications(~~(, and other similar costs for care and treatment)~~).

14 (3) Day care and special child rearing expenses, such as tuition
15 and long-distance transportation costs to and from the parents for
16 visitation purposes, are not included in the economic table. These
17 expenses shall be shared by the parents in the same proportion as the
18 basic child support obligation. If an obligor pays court or
19 administratively ordered day care or special child rearing expenses
20 that are not actually incurred, the obligee must reimburse the obligor
21 for the overpayment if the overpayment amounts to at least twenty
22 percent of the obligor's annual day care or special child rearing
23 expenses. The obligor may institute an action in the superior court or
24 file an application for an adjudicative hearing with the department of
25 social and health services for reimbursement of day care and special
26 child rearing expense overpayments that amount to twenty percent or
27 more of the obligor's annual day care and special child rearing
28 expenses. Any ordered overpayment reimbursement shall be applied first
29 as an offset to child support arrearages of the obligor. If the
30 obligor does not have child support arrearages, the reimbursement may
31 be in the form of a direct reimbursement by the obligee or a credit
32 against the obligor's future support payments. If the reimbursement is
33 in the form of a credit against the obligor's future child support
34 payments, the credit shall be spread equally over a twelve-month
35 period. Absent agreement of the obligee, nothing in this section
36 entitles an obligor to pay more than his or her proportionate share of

1 day care or other special child rearing expenses in advance and then
2 deduct the overpayment from future support transfer payments.

3 (4) The court may exercise its discretion to determine the
4 necessity for and the reasonableness of all amounts ordered in excess
5 of the basic child support obligation.

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** A new section is added to chapter 26.19 RCW
7 to read as follows:

8 ADJUSTMENTS TO THE STANDARD CALCULATION. Reasons for adjustments
9 to the standard calculation include, but are not limited to, the
10 following:

11 (1) **Shared residential schedule thirty-three percent or more.** (a)
12 The court may adjust the standard calculation if there is a written
13 parenting plan or court order that the child or children spend thirty-
14 three percent or one hundred twenty or more overnights in a calendar
15 year with the parent who is obligated to make a support transfer
16 payment. The court shall determine the residential schedule adjustment
17 by a cross credit method after application of a 1.5 multiplier as set
18 forth below:

19 (i) Multiply the basic child support obligation based on the
20 combined net income of both parents by 1.5;

21 (ii) Apply the proportional share of net income of each parent to
22 the basic child support obligation after it has been multiplied by 1.5;

23 (iii) Calculate the percentage of overnights spent with the
24 obligated parent in order to determine the percentage of time spent
25 with each parent;

26 (iv) Multiply the percentage of the time spent with the other
27 parent by the obligation of each parent as determined in (a)(ii) of
28 this subsection; and

29 (v) Subtract the lesser amount from the greater amount in (a)(iv)
30 of this subsection to determine the adjusted amount of child support to
31 be paid by the obligor.

32 (b) An example of how to calculate the residential schedule
33 adjustment is as follows: The father's net income is \$3000 per month
34 and the mother's net income is \$2000 per month. The parties have two
35 children. The father spends thirty-five percent of overnights with the
36 children, while the mother has the children in her care sixty-five

1 percent of the time. The adjustment would be calculated using the
2 following steps:

3 (i) Application of (a)(i) of this subsection: Using the table in
4 RCW 19.26.020(2), the basic child support obligation with a combined
5 monthly net income of \$5000 for a two children family is \$1526. The
6 cross credit method applies the 1.5 multiplier, to equal \$2289.

7 (ii) Application of (a)(ii) of this subsection: The proportional
8 share of net income for the father is sixty percent. This is
9 multiplied by the basic child support obligation after it has been
10 multiplied by 1.5, which equals \$1373.40. The proportional share of
11 net income for the mother is forty percent. This is multiplied by the
12 basic child support obligation after it has been multiplied by 1.5, to
13 equal \$915.60.

14 (iii) Application of (a)(iii) of this subsection: The father's
15 share of \$1373.40 is multiplied by the percentage of time the children
16 spend with the mother, or sixty-five percent, to equal \$892.71.

17 (iv) Application of (a)(iv) of this subsection: The mother's share
18 of \$892.71 is multiplied by the percentage of time the children spend
19 with the father, or thirty-five percent, to equal \$320.46.

20 (v) Application of (a)(v) of this subsection: The lesser amount of
21 \$320.46 is subtracted from the greater amount of \$915.60, to equal
22 \$572.25. This is the obligor's adjusted child support based on the
23 residential schedule.

24 (c) The court may not adjust the standard calculation on the basis
25 of the residential schedule if the adjustment will result in
26 insufficient funds in the household receiving the support to meet the
27 basic needs of the child or if the child is receiving temporary
28 assistance for needy families.

29 (d) If the obligor who has been granted an adjustment fails to
30 exercise thirty-three percent or more of the overnights that were used
31 to calculate the child support adjustment for more than six months
32 without reasonable justification for the failure to exercise the time,
33 the obligee shall be entitled to move to terminate the adjustment by
34 motion to the court or by making a request for a review of the
35 administrative order which established the adjustment.

36 (2) **Split residential placement.** If there is a current written
37 parenting plan or court order that provides for split residential
38 placement of the children of the parties, the court shall apply the

1 Arvey formula as set forth in *In re Marriage of Arvey*, 77 Wn. App. 817
2 (1995) to calculate child support. The net child support obligation of
3 each parent will be determined by use of the standard child support
4 worksheet. The court shall adjust the amount of each parent's
5 obligation to reflect each parent's proportional share of the
6 obligation. The proportional share to be applied will depend on the
7 number of children residing in the other parent's home, for example if
8 the parties have three children where one child resides with the father
9 and two children reside with the mother, then the adjustment
10 proportional share would be two-thirds for the father and one-third for
11 the mother. The transfer payment will be the difference between the
12 parental proportional share that is greater and the parental
13 proportional share that is smaller.

14 (3) **Children from other relationships.** The court shall adjust the
15 standard calculation when the obligor before the court has children
16 from other relationships to whom the parent owes a duty of support by
17 using the whole family formula in (e) of this subsection unless to do
18 so would result in insufficient funds to meet the basic needs of the
19 children in the receiving household and when taking the totality of the
20 circumstances of both parents, the application of the formula would be
21 unjust.

22 (a) The child support schedule shall be applied to the mother,
23 father, and children of the family before the court to determine the
24 presumptive amount of support.

25 (b) Children from other relationships shall not be counted in the
26 number of children for purposes of determining the basic support
27 obligation and the standard calculation.

28 (c) When considering an adjustment to the standard calculation for
29 children from other relationships, the court may consider only other
30 children to whom the parent owes a duty of support. The court may
31 consider court-ordered payments of child support for children from
32 other relationships only to the extent that the support is actually
33 paid.

34 (d) When the court has determined that either or both parents have
35 children from other relationships, adjustments under this section shall
36 be based on consideration of the total circumstances of both
37 households. Both parties must disclose, and the court must consider,

1 all child support obligations paid, received, and owed for all
2 children.

3 (e) The whole family formula, to determine the adjusted amount of
4 child support, is calculated as follows:

5 (i) Determine a per-child secondary basic support obligation under
6 RCW 26.19.020 for all children for whom the obligor has a legal support
7 obligation and is actually providing support. This includes the
8 children whose support is in question and all of the following:

9 (A) The obligor's children with the obligee;

10 (B) The obligor's other children for whom the obligor owes a duty
11 of support or for whom the obligor is ordered to provide support; and

12 (C) Stepchildren for whom the obligor is ordered to pay support;

13 (ii) Determine the secondary basic support obligation only for
14 those children whose support is in question;

15 (iii) Multiply the total secondary basic support obligation from
16 (e)(ii) of this subsection by the proportional share of the obligor's
17 income;

18 (iv) Determine the adjusted amount by subtracting the total from
19 (e)(iii) of this subsection from the original basic support obligation;
20 and

21 (v) Subtract the adjusted amount in (e)(iv) of this subsection from
22 the net support obligation. This is the actual transfer payment the
23 obligor owes.

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