

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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HOUSE BILL 833

Short Title: Req. Work Training/Delinquent Child Support. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives K. Smith, Stevens, Floyd, and Ross (Primary Sponsors).  
*For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.*

Referred to: Judiciary, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR WORK OR WORK-RELATED ACTIVITIES AS AN  
3 ALTERNATIVE REMEDY TO INCARCERATION FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE  
4 DETERMINED TO BE DELINQUENT ON CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 50-13.4(f) reads as rewritten:

7 "(f) Remedies for enforcement of support of minor children shall be available as follows:

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9 (9) An order for the periodic payments of child support or a child support  
10 judgment that provides for periodic payments is enforceable by proceedings  
11 for civil contempt, and disobedience may be punished by proceedings for  
12 criminal contempt, as provided in Chapter 5A of the General Statutes.

13 As a special condition of a contempt order, the court may direct the person  
14 into job search or dually specific education training. If the court selects this  
15 option, the court shall review the person's progress in 30-day intervals, at a  
16 minimum, unless the person is enrolled and actively participating in  
17 work-specific training.

18 Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 1-294, an order for the payment of  
19 child support which has been appealed to the appellate division is enforceable  
20 in the trial court by proceedings for civil contempt during the pendency of the  
21 appeal. Upon motion of an aggrieved party, the court of the appellate division  
22 in which the appeal is pending may stay any order for civil contempt entered  
23 for child support until the appeal is decided, if justice requires."

24 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

