REVISED UNIFORM RECIPROCAL ENFORCEMENT OF SUPPORT ACT (EXCERPT) Act 8 of 1952

780.180 Registration of foreign support order by obligee; transmittal and filing of documents; filing as registration; docketing case; notification of friend of court; mailing or serving notice of registration; copy of registered support order and post office address of obligee; petition to vacate registration or seek other relief; confirmation of registered support order; sending copy of petition to friend of court; hearing; defenses; staying enforcement of order; proof; security.

Sec. 30.

- (1) An obligee seeking to register a foreign support order in a court of this state shall transmit to the clerk of the court through the interstate central registry of this state 3 copies of the order, 1 of which shall be certified, with all modifications of the order, 1 copy of the reciprocal enforcement of support act of the state in which the order was made, and a statement verified and signed by the obligee, showing the post-office address of the obligee, the last known place of residence and post-office address of the obligor, the amount of support remaining unpaid, a description and the location of any property of the obligor available upon execution, and a list of the states in which the order is registered. Upon receipt of these documents the clerk of the court, without payment of a filing fee or other cost to the obligee, shall file them in the registry of foreign support orders. The filing constitutes registration under this act.
- (2) Promptly upon registration of the foreign support order, the clerk of the court shall docket the case and shall notify the friend of the court of the registration of the foreign support order. The friend of the court shall mail by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to the obligor at the address given, or serve upon the obligor under the Michigan court rules, a notice of the registration with a copy of the registered support order and the post office address of the obligee.
- (3) Within 28 days after service, the obligor may petition the court to vacate the registration or to seek other relief. If the obligor does not petition the court within 28 days after service to vacate the registration or to seek other relief, the registered support order is confirmed. If the obligor does petition the court to vacate the registration or seek other relief, the obligor shall send a copy of the petition to the friend of the court.
- (4) If the obligor petitions the court to vacate the registration or for other relief, a hearing shall be scheduled. At the hearing, the obligor may present only matters that would be available to the obligor as defenses in an action to enforce a foreign money judgment. If the obligor shows to the court that an appeal from the order is pending or will be taken or that a stay of execution has been granted, the court shall stay enforcement of the order until the appeal is concluded, the time for appeal has expired, or the order is vacated, upon satisfactory proof that the obligor has furnished security for payment of the support ordered as required by the rendering state. If the obligor shows to the court any ground upon which enforcement of a support order of this state may be stayed, the court shall stay enforcement of the order for an appropriate period if the obligor furnishes the same security for payment of the support ordered that is required for a support order of this state.

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