

STATE OF DELAWARE



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
DOVER

EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER SEVENTY-SIX

TO: Heads of All State Departments and Agencies

RE: Establishment of a Single Organizational Element to Carry out the Functions, Duties and Responsibilities of Child Support Enforcement

WHEREAS, pursuant to §7903(7), Title 29, Delaware Code, the Secretary of Health and Social Services, with the concurrence of the Governor, has the power to "establish, consolidate, abolish, transfer or combine the powers, duties and functions of the Divisions, subdivisions and offices within the Department as the Secretary, with the written approval of the Governor, may deem necessary, providing that all duties and functions required shall be provided for and maintained"; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 93-647, enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America on January 4, 1975 amended Title IV of the Social Security Act by adding a new Part D - Child Support and Establishment of Paternity - for the purpose of enforcing the support obligations owed by absent parents to their children, locating absent parents, establishing paternity, and obtaining child support; and

WHEREAS, said Public Law requires the State to establish and designate a single and separate organizational unit to administer a State plan for child support enforcement; and

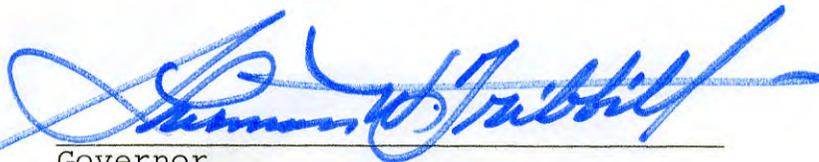
WHEREAS, Public Law 93-647 amendments to Title IV-A provides, et al, that as a condition of eligibility for aid, each applicant or recipient will be required to assign the State any rights to support from any other person such applicant may have (i) in his own behalf or in behalf of any other family member for whom the applicant is applying for or receiving aid and (ii) which have accrued at the time such assignment is executed; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 93-647 also ... amends Title IV-A of the Social Security Act to provide that the States have in effect a plan approved under Part D and operate a child support program in conformity with such plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHERMAN W. TRIBBITT, upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Health and Social Services, after his due consultation with the Chief Justice and the Attorney General, and by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor, do hereby declare and order as follows:

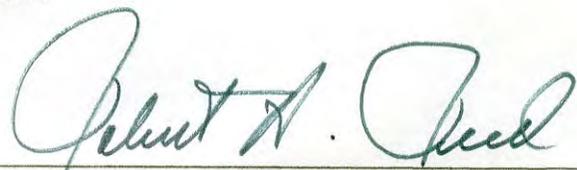
1. The creation of the Bureau of Child Support Enforcement as a single and separate organizational element within the Division of Business Administration and General Services of the Department of Health and Social Services. It shall be assigned those functions and duties essential to the implementation and administration of an effective State plan for child support as set forth in Public Law 93-647 as well as those functions henceforth assigned it by law or the Secretary of Health and Social Services.
2. The Bureau of Child Support enforcement shall be known as the the State IV-D Agency. Said Bureau shall enter into cooperative arrangements with appropriate courts and law enforcement officials of the State of Delaware as are necessary to assist the Bureau in administering the plan and with respect to any other matters of common concern to such courts or officials and this Bureau.
3. Effective date of the creation of the Bureau of Child Support Enforcement shall be July 1, 1975.

APPROVED this 30th day of June, 1975



Governor

ATTEST:



Secretary of State

