WHAT'S THIS NEW LAW I HEAR ABOUT SUSPENDING DRIVER'S LICENSES?

In 1997 a new law was passed by the State Legislature and signed by Governor Cayetano to encourage parents to take full responsibility for their children, both emotionally and financially.

This new law mandates the Child Support Enforcement Agency (CSEA) to suspend the driver's licenses of those parents who do not comply with their financial and other specific legal obligations to their children. The law also allows the CSEA to suspend other licenses issued by the State of Hawaii.

DOES THIS NEW LICENSE SUSPENSION LAW APPLY TO ME?

Yes, if you're a non-custodial parent and your spousal/ child support payments are late, you will have your license taken away.

WILL THIS NEW LAW SUSPEND ONLY MY LICENSE TO DRIVE?

No. It also includes other licenses issued by the State. In other words, along with your driver's license, this new law also allows the CSEA to deny any new recreational, professional and occupational licenses you may apply for, and suspend any licenses that you already hold.

This means that your license to hunt or fish will be suspended, and the State will take away your license to work in many State-licensed jobs, such as practicing medicine or law; working as a barber, masseur, tour driver, Realtor, nurse or medical technologist, plumber, insurance agent, contractor or electrician.

MY CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS FROM THE NON-CUSTODIAL PARENT ARE LATE. SHOULD I REQUEST THAT THEIR DRIVER'S LICENSE BE SUSPENDED?

No, it's not necessary. The CSEA will automatically screen its entire computer-based caseload to identify the individuals who are delinquent and will may their licenses suspended.

I HAVEN'T GOTTEN (OR MAINTAINED) HEALTH INSURANCE AS REQUIRED BY MY CHILD SUPPORT ORDER. CAN MY LICENSE BE TAKEN AWAY?

Yes. Chances are certain that you'll have your license suspended ... unless you *immediately* comply with the provisions of your child support order to get and maintain health insurance for your child or children.

COULD I LOSE MY LICENSE EVEN IF MY PATERNITY HAS NOT BEEN PROVEN?

Yes. Your license will be suspended if you failed to attend a hearing held relating to your paternity in accordance with a subpoena or a warrant.

I HAVEN'T BEEN REQUIRED TO PAY CHILD OR SPOUSAL SUPPORT YET. IS MY LICENSE TO DRIVE AT RISK?

Yes. If you missed a hearing to make a child support determination and you missed it - you failed to appear in accordance with a subpoena or warrant - your license will be pulled.

I'VE BEEN LATE MAKING PAYMENTS ON A CSEA REPAYMENT AGREEMENT. IS MY LICENSE IN JEOPARDY?

Yes it is. Your license will be suspended if you're late making payments on the agreement you made with the CSEA for child support repayment. Get current or lose your license!

HOW CAN I AVOID SUSPENSION OF MY DRIVER'S LICENSE OR OTHER STATE LICENSES?

The answer is simple: Make sure you pay your child support obligations completely and on time, and make sure you fulfill any other outstanding court orders concerning the support of your child or children.

Send your payments by check or money order to CSEA Lockbox, P.O. Box 1860, Honolulu Hawaii *96805-1860*.

Important: Make sure you write your name, CSEA Case Number and your Social Security Number on the check or money order you send.

HOW DO I KNOW IF I'M LATE WITH MY CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS?

For your account information, call LOCKBOX at **536-7227** (Neighbor Islands call 1 (800) **307-7227**).

Be sure to have your Personal Identification Number (PIN) and your Case Number handy.

If you need a PIN, call (808) **536-7227** and CSEA will issue a PIN to you.

Don't risk losing your driver's license: Call today ... or tomorrow at the latest! Otherwise, you'll lose your driver's license.

HOW WILL I KNOW IF MY DRIVER'S LICENSE WILL BE SUSPENDED?

Before your license is taken away, CSEA will notify you by regular mail.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I GET THE NOTICE TELLING ME THAT MY LICENSE WILL BE SUSPENDED?

To prevent losing your license you must *IMMEDIATELY* comply with the child support obligations of your situation. This means you must either: (a) *Immediately* comply with an Order of Support; (b) Make arrangements *today* to pay your outstanding child support payments; or, (c) Request an administrative hearing *right away* if you feel you are not delinquent.

IMPORTANT: If you get a Notice of License Suspension and <u>you do nothing</u>, your license will surely be taken away and you cannot drive!

MY LICENSE IS SUSPENDED BUT I STILL HAVE MY PLASTIC DRIVER'S LICENSE. CAN I STILL DRIVE?

No! Even if you retain your plastic license, it is still unlawful to drive after you get a notice of suspension. Legally you will be considered an outlaw on the highway and can be arrested.

WHAT IF I'M FOUND DRIVING AFTER MY LICENSE HAS BEEN SUSPENDED?

This is very serious.

If you are found to be driving after you've received a notice of license suspension, you will face the full penalty of the law.

It's not worth going to jail for!

The Attorney General's Child Support Enforcement Agency (CSEA) provides the services to insure that Hawaii's children receive adequate moral and financial support from both parents.

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On Maui, Molokai & Lanai:

Maui Child Support Enforcement Agency 2145 Kaohu Street, Suite 105 (Mail to:) P.O. Box 1435 Wailuku, Hawaii *96793*

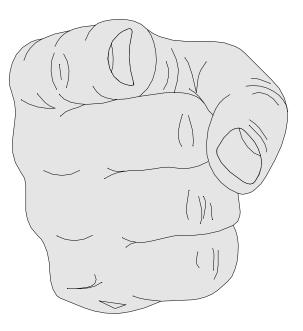
On Kauai:

Kauai Child Support Enforcement Agency 4180 Rice Street, Suite 104 Lihue, Hawaii 96766

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You'll Lose Your Driver's License

(or your license to cut hair, work as a nurse, taxi driver, physical therapist, plumber, architect, travel agent, accountant, electrician, pharmacist, contractor, house painter or tour driver; give massages, practice medicine, chiropracty, dentistry or law; sell real estate or insurance, or any other occupation licensed by the State of Hawaii)



...If you don't pay your child support!