

EASTERN REGIONAL INTERSTATE CHILD SUPPORT ASSOCIATION
INTERGOVERNMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

APRIL 1, 2016

MINUTES

Attendees: Patrick Quinn, Wendy Lynch, Carla Szalewicz, Tommy Howard, Boolie Sluka, Loretta Everett, Rob Velcoff

- 1) The committee approved the March 4, 2016 minutes as written.
- 2) The committee reviewed the most recent draft of the Intergovernmental Improvement Section of the ERICSA website, which was prepared by Carla Szalewicz. The draft was unanimously approved by committee as to both content and appearance. The draft will now be submitted by Chair Patrick Quinn to the Technology Committee for final approval. The Technology Committee meets on April 7. If approval is received from Technology Committee, Carla will work with Corrina to have the material placed on the website; hopefully, before the conference begins. Patrick Quinn will find out from Technology Committee if all future additions, changes, etc. should be approved by Technology Committee first.
- 3) Boolie Sluka will review and update the list of states that accept direct income withholding orders on unemployment and worker's compensation for inclusion on the website by late May 2016.
- 4) Rob Velcoff informed the Committee that New Jersey passed UIFSA 2008 in late March. All 54 states and territories have passed UIFSA. Therefore, after a 90 day waiting period, it is assumed the President will ratify the treaty and Article 7 (regarding International Support) will become effective.

There will be some new countries participating internationally, and the Federal Government Work Group is currently working on new forms to implement International Support. This may be an important area for the Intergovernmental Improvement Committee to be involved in the coming year.

- 5) System impact analysis attendant to UIFSA 2008 – No additional “issues” or concerns were identified this month. The committee members will continue to look for/identify such items. This will be an on-going item in the coming year as states implement the UIFSA 2008 and have differing interpretations on the law.
- 6) UIFSA 2008 procedure affecting the use of IWO in intergovernmental proceedings - previously, the committee had discussed the “Texas interpretation” of UIFSA 2008, which permitted Texas to enter IWO’s on another states order. Rob reported that this

issue was discussed at an IV-D Director's Association meeting; and, the general consensus is that most states do not agree with this approach. Rather, the use of registration of the underlying order is the consensus "best practice". Therefore, we will remove this item from the agenda but can re-consider if we hear that it becomes a problem again.

- 7) Next meeting: to be determined when new committee constituted after the conference.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patrick W. Quinn, Chair