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Dan Bucks
Director

Montana Department of Revenue



Brian Schweitzer
Governor

Memorandum

Date: February 10, 2005

To: Representative John Sinrud
Chairman
Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government

From: Neil Peterson

Subject: Collection Fees Paid for the Collection of Child Support

At the Department's budget hearing held on February 9, 2005 information was requested regarding the amount of collection fees paid for the collection of delinquent child support payments. The information is as follows:

- Debt Code 43 -- this represents collection of overpaid child support payments made to custodial parents. We collect approximately \$2,300 a year with a related collection fee of \$230.00.
- Debt Code 44 -- this represents collection of delinquent child support payments from non-custodial parents. We collect approximately \$735,000 a year with a related collection fee of \$73,500.

Thank you for your request. Please contact me at 406-444-1941 or e-mail me at npeterson@mt.gov if you should have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Neil Peterson".

Neil Peterson
Administrator
Customer Service Division