

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2015 Wisconsin Act 82 [2015 Senate Bill 173]

Effective Date of Amendments to Uniform Interstate Family Support Act

2009 Wisconsin Act 321 amended the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act (UIFSA) in recognition of and in conformity with the ratification by the United States of the Convention on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance (the convention). Very generally, UIFSA establishes rules and priorities for actions to establish or enforce spousal or child support obligations, modify child support obligations, or to determine paternity when the parties reside in different states or when orders have been issued in different states. Under 2009 Act 321, the amendments to UIFSA do not go into effect until the day the United States deposits the instruments of ratification for the convention.

2015 Wisconsin Act 82 provides that the amendments to UIFSA go into effect on the day the United States deposits the instrument of ratification for the convention or on December 18, 2015, whichever is earlier. Act 82 also makes technical modifications to more closely align the language of the statutes with the language of UIFSA.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov.