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Bill Analysis

SB 421 provides for the calculation of gross income as it relates to child support to be calculated on the basis of current income if a parent is incarcerated for more than 180 days, provided, the incarceration is a result of indirect contempt of court for failure to pay child support or crime of omission to provide child support or for any offense for which the obligee's dependent child or the obligee was a victim. Upon release, child support obligations shall revert to the pre-incarceration order amount beginning the first day of the month 90 days after release.

The measure also modifies the calculation used to determine income if evidence of current income is not available or equitable by adding the average wages and hours worked in the parent's particular industry and geographic area and the parent's education, training, work experience, and ability to work. Such calculation shall also include wages the parent could earn consistent with the minimum wage rate of not less than 25 hours a week. Veteran benefits received by a child are also treated in a manner similar to Social Security Title II benefits by the measure.

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