



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM

BILL NUMBER: HB 2148		DATE: 2/7/2024
COMMITTEE: Emerging Issues		
TESTIFYING: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES		
WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: ARNIE C. "HONEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC ADVOCATE		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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CITY:		STATE: ZIP:
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REGISTERED LOBBYIST:			
WITNESS NAME: JEFF MILLER		PHONE NUMBER:	
REPRESENTING: AMERICANS FOR EQUAL SHARED PARENTING & THE LEAD LOBBYISTS		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 1375			
CITY: ST. CHARLES		STATE: MO	ZIP: 63302
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: 2/7/2024 12:00 AM	
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WITNESS NAME: JEREMY ROBERTS		PHONE NUMBER: 636-634-7204	
REPRESENTING: THE L.E.A.D. LOBBYISTS (LEARN.EDUCATE.ADVOCATE.DUPLICATE)		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME: LINDA REUTZEL		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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CITY:		STATE: ZIP:
EMAIL: lsr1@charter.net	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 2/7/2024 10:39 AM

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Paying child support past high school graduation should not be mandated in a divorce court when children are young. No one knows what the child will want to do after graduation. That decision should be left up to the parents on a voluntary basis, like it is with married parents. There is no mandate that married parents must help their grown children with finances. Some do of course and that is their right, but family court judges and lawyers have no place in that decision.



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WITNESS NAME: MICHELLE HAYES		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
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I am writing to vehemently oppose House Bill 2148, which aims to terminate child support payments as soon as a child turns 18 or graduates from high school. Beyond the practical concerns about the impact on educational opportunities, I would like to draw attention to the moral aspect of abruptly ending financial support for a child upon their 18th birthday. Parenthood carries moral responsibilities that extend beyond a child's age or graduation date. Financially abandoning a child immediately upon reaching a certain age contradicts the values of responsibility and care that our society holds dear. As legislators, you have the power to shape policies that not only reflect legal considerations but also uphold the moral fabric of our community. I urge you to consider the ethical implications of such a drastic change and to prioritize the well-being of our young citizens as they navigate their formative years. Thank you for your time and consideration of this crucial matter