

# **One Hundred Seventh Legislature - First Session - 2021**

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

### **LB47**

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**Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Date of Hearing: January 29, 2021**

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB47 makes two changes regarding child support orders. The first makes any known obligee a party in interest to child support or paternity cases. Currently, if a custodial parent receives state assistance and the state is bringing the action against another parent, the custodial parent is not always a party to the case. This denies them certain legal remedies available to other custodial parents.

The second change requires notice in child support orders explaining the obligee's ability- as a party to the case- to file an Application for Order to Show Cause that requests the court enter an order requiring the person who owes support to appear in court and show cause why they should not be held in contempt of court for failure to pay child support.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Senator Matt Hansen, M.**