

Amendment to HB 652-FN

1 Amend the bill by replacing section 3 with the following:

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3 3 Child Support Guidelines; Definition of Gross Income; Veteran's Benefits. Amend the
4 introductory paragraph of RSA 458-C:2, IV to read as follows:

5 IV. "Gross income" means all income from any source, whether earned or unearned,
6 including, but not limited to, wages, salary, commissions, tips, annuities, social security benefits,
7 trust income, lottery or gambling winnings, interest, dividends, investment income, net rental
8 income, self-employment income, alimony, business profits, pensions, bonuses, and payments from
9 other government programs (except public assistance programs, including aid to families with
10 dependent children, aid to the permanently and totally disabled, supplemental security income, food
11 stamps, and general assistance received from a county or town), including, but not limited to,
12 workers' compensation, veterans' benefits *to the extent permitted by federal law*, unemployment
13 benefits, and disability benefits; provided, however, that no income earned at an hourly rate for
14 hours worked, on an occasional or seasonal basis, in excess of 40 hours in any week shall be
15 considered as income for the purpose of determining gross income; and provided further that such
16 hourly rate income is earned for actual overtime labor performed by an employee who earns wages
17 at an hourly rate in a trade or industry which traditionally or commonly pays overtime wages, thus
18 excluding professionals, business owners, business partners, self-employed individuals and others
19 who may exercise sufficient control over their income so as to recharacterize payment to themselves
20 to include overtime wages in addition to a salary. In addition, the following shall apply:

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill permits courts to establish veterans tracks for veterans and members of the military who come into contact with the criminal justice system.

The bill also provides that gross income for purposes of calculating child support may include veterans benefits to the extent permitted by federal law.