

HF 1521/SF 1893 addresses technical and housekeeping changes needed for statutes governing child protection, child support and the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP. Provisions related to child protection clarify effective dates for Northstar Care for Children payment rate assessments, ensures that statutes governing relative searches include all relatives as defined in existing law, and repeals an obsolete cross reference. Changes related to child support to provide clarity on when a court can deviate from child support guidelines when a recipient’s income increases. Finally, the bill repeals a statute related to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) that is not compliant with the federal law governing SNAP.

BLWG # & Title	Bill Section	Stat. Sec. Amended	Section Description
CF04	§ 1	§256N.24, subd. 12	Aligns effective dates for Minnesota Assessment of Parenting for Children and Youth (MAPCY) under Northstar Care for Children with existing county and tribal agency practice.
CF04	§ 2	§260C.221, subd. 1	Clarifies who must be included in a relative search when a child is in foster care.
CF04	§ 3	§260C.317, subd. 3	Corrects an existing statutory cross reference that currently cites to the wrong subdivision.
CF01	§ 4	§518A.43, subd. 1b	**As amended by A1 Amendment ** Clarifies that the deviation is only intended to apply when child support increases due only to the increase of the receiving parent’s income. Removes unnecessary conditions.
CF06	§ 5	§ 256D.63, subd. 1	Repealer. Repeals § 256D.63, subd. 1, related to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) because it is no longer in compliance with federal law. The SNAP program is governed by federal law. Eliminates the contradictory statute ensures ongoing statutory compliance with federal law.
CF01	§ 5	§ 518A.59	Repealer. Removes provision requiring notice of interest on child support because there is no longer interest charging on child support arrears.