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By Representatives Buck, Benson, Sump, Carrell, Talcott, Anderson,  
D. Schmidt and Dunn

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& Family Law.

1 AN ACT Relating to establishing an official date of receipt of  
2 child support payments; adding a new section to chapter 26.21 RCW; and  
3 prescribing penalties.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 26.21 RCW  
6 under the subchapter heading "Article 4" to read as follows:

7 (1) A payment made under a support order that has been properly  
8 addressed and deposited postpaid in the United States mail is deemed to  
9 have been received by a support enforcement agency or tribunal of this  
10 state on the date of the mailing. It will be presumed that the date  
11 shown by the post office cancellation mark on the envelope is the date  
12 of mailing.

13 (2) A person who causes a cancellation mark to reflect a date  
14 earlier than the actual date of mailing is guilty of a misdemeanor  
15 punishable under RCW 9.92.030.

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