518A.54 CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER; DEFINITIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Scope.** For the purposes of the child support center established under sections 518A.54 to 518A.56, the following terms have the meanings given.

Subd. 2. **Central collections unit.** "Central collections unit" means the unit created under section 518A.55.

Subd. 3. **Local child support agency.** "Local child support agency" means the entity at the county level that is responsible for providing child support enforcement services.

Subd. 4. **Payment.** "Payment" means the payment of child support, medical support, maintenance, and related payments required by order of a tribunal, voluntary support, or statutory fees.

Subd. 5. **Tribunal.** "Tribunal" has the meaning given in section 518C.101.

Subd. 6. **Creditor collections.** The central collections unit under this section is not a third party under chapters 550, 552, and 571 for purposes of creditor collection efforts against child support and maintenance order obligors or obligees, and shall not be subject to creditor levy, attachment, or garnishment.

Subd. 7. **Unclaimed support funds.** "Unclaimed support funds" means any support payments collected by the public authority from the obligor, which have not been disbursed to the obligee or public authority.

History: *1995 c 257 art 2 s 1; 1999 c 245 art 7 s 9; 1Sp2001 c 9 art 12 s 10; 2002 c 379 art 1 s 113; 2005 c 164 s 29; 1Sp2005 c 7 s 28*