

12. 1. If a payer will be incarcerated for 180 consecutive days or more and will not have the ability to pay support, the monthly amount of support payable under the order must be abated, by operation of law, subject to section MCL 552.517f.
2. When friend of the court becomes aware that a payer's condition that meets the definition of incapacitation as defined in the current or subsequent Michigan Child Support Formula, monthly support charges shall abate and are temporarily reduced to zero effective the date the friend of the court office provides notice of the abatement to the parties and to the court. Support charges shall be reinstated effective 60-days after the incapacitation ends. The office shall provide notice of reinstatement to the parties and to the court that specifies the date charges will be effective.

Either party may object to the abatement or reinstatement by filing a written objection with the court within 21-days following when the notice was filed, or by filing a motion. If a timely objection is received, the friend of the court shall either set the objection for hearing or complete a support review with an effective date no earlier than the date of filing of that notice.

Based on a motion by either party or a recommendation following a review by the friend of the court, the amount abated may be later corrected based on the parties' incomes or ability to pay during the abatement period.