

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §48-14-501

PART 5. ENFORCEMENT OF SUPPORT ORDERS

BY CONTEMPT PROCEEDINGS.

§48-14-501. Commencement of contempt action.

In addition to or in lieu of the other remedies provided by this article for the enforcement of support orders, the Bureau for Child Support enforcement may commence a civil or criminal contempt proceeding in accordance with the provisions of section 1-304 against an obligor who is alleged to have willfully failed or refused to comply with the order of a court of competent jurisdiction requiring the payment of support. Such proceeding shall be instituted by filing a petition for an order to show cause why the obligor should not be held in contempt.