

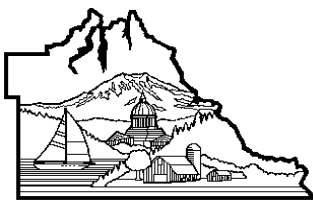
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# **HOW TO FILE FOR A CHANGE IN THE CHILD SUPPORT AMOUNT**

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*✓ Support Modification*

*✓ The Parties do not Agree to Change Support*



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**CHECKLIST**

**Use the forms and instructions in this packet only if the following factors apply to your situation:**

- ✓ There is an existing Child Support Order in Thurston County or from another county or state;
- ✓ There has been a change in circumstances that warrants a modification of the support amount set by the prior order (*for example, one party's income has increased or decreased greatly*);

AND

- ✓ You and the other party do not agree on the changes that need to be made and you need the court to decide on the amount for you.

**If this support modification is a result of a change in custody, or if you and the other party agree on the new amount you should not use this packet. Please refer back to the self-help center for a different packet.**

**READ ME:** It is very important for you to know that when you sign a court document, you may be helping or hurting your court case. Before you sign any court document or get involved with a court case, it is important that you carefully read the document to make sure you are doing the right thing. You may also want to contact a lawyer for legal advice and help with those issues you do not understand. The Self-Service Center has a list of local attorneys who can give you legal advice and who can help you on a task-by-task basis for a fee. If you need help with the forms, procedures and rules of the court, there is a Family Court Facilitator available to assist you.