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Wage and Hour Division Washington, D.C. 20210



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This is in reply to your letter dated December 14, 1977, asking if certain proposed amendments (a copy of which you enclose), to the Code of Virginia to limit garnishment as a means of enforcing an order for support would ultimately satisfy the requirements of Title III of the Consumer Credit Protection Act as amended effective June 1, 1977.

It is our opinion that the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, if amended as proposed, would provide restrictions on garnishment which are substantially similar to those provided in section 303(a) and 303 (b) of Title III and, accordingly, garnishments issued under those laws would be exempted from section 303(a) and 303(b).

Sincerely,

Xavier M. Vela Administrator