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House Bill 137

"An Act relating to permanent fund dividends for individuals owing child support; and relating to applications and qualifications for permanent fund dividends for individuals owing child support."

House Bill 137 allows the state to apply for the Permanent Fund Dividends (PFDs) on behalf of eligible residents who are behind on child support and have not filed their own PFD applications by the deadline.

Currently, some people avoid filing for their PFDs to prevent them being garnished, denying their children access to essential financial support. HB 137 requires the state step in for these families, ensuring that PFDs owed for child support are applied for and distributed. By addressing this gap, HB 137 strengthens Alaska's child support system and helps custodial parents provide for their children.

This bill is a fair and straightforward way to support Alaskan families. I urge your support for HB 137 to close this gap and prioritize the well-being of our children.