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Child Support Division Passes Audit With Flying Colors

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Greene County Prosecuting Attorney Dan Patterson announces that the Office's child support division received a 99% on its annual audit for referrals sent to the Office in calendar year 2017 from the Family Support Division (FSD) of the Missouri Department of Social Services. FSD randomly selects and reviews a sample of cases referred to all prosecuting attorney offices each year to assess whether the prosecutors are taking timely actions and communicating case actions with FSD. A score of 75% is passing.

The Greene County Prosecuting Attorney's Office both establishes and enforces child support orders for FSD in Greene, Christian, and Taney counties. If a parent is not paying as ordered either voluntarily or after the enforcement actions taken by FSD, the case may be sent to a prosecutor's office. In the state fiscal year 2018, this Office collected over \$3.6 million for families in these three counties, an increase of almost 10% over last year's collections.