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A new federal law provides prison terms and substantial fines to penalize a non-custodial parent for interstate flight to avoid paying child support. The threat of jail is expected to spur timely payments.

Senator Herb Kohl of Wisconsin, a principal author of the legislation, says "it's time to stop letting noncustodial parents who deliberately ignore their children's financial needs to get away with neglect."

Nevertheless, single parents seek-training often leads to better paying ing help with their child support or- jobs, according to the Bureau of Laders often have to work with distant bor Statistics' Occupational Outlook enforcement authorities, a frequently Quarterly. lengthy and frustrating process. Mil-

lions of children are the real victims. Compounding the problem, new non-governmental "support enforcement" services are now running television advertising without revealing that fees of 30 percent or more of resulting collections will be charged. A typical service locks a parent into a year-long, non-cancelable, exclusive agency agreement.

To learn more about this critical issue, there's a new "Guide to Child Support Enforcement" with answers to more than 50 key questions designed to help track down a runaway parent, gain and enforce court support orders, and deal out-of-state as well as overseas. Available from Reymont Associates, P.O. Box 114-C, New York, NY 10276; \$3.95, postage paid.

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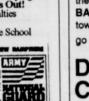
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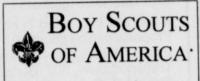
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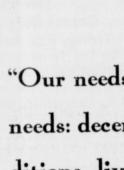
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