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SUBJECT: Income Withholding Order (IWO) Calculation

ATLAS calculates the IWO withholding amounts for a 26 and 52 week pay cycle with formulas that take into consideration some surprising facts.. Every five or six years, there are 27 instead of 26 bi-weekly and 53 instead of 52 weekly pay periods, ATLAS takes those facts into consideration and uses the following formulas:

Example: Total monthly obligation amount is $528.00

26 week pay cycle- $528.00 ÷ 2.1730 = $242.98 per pay period.

52 week pay cycle- $528.00 ÷ 4.3450 = $121.52 per pay period.

The formulas insure the most accurate payments possible throughout the life of the case.