

Dear members of the House Judiciary Committee,

My name is Fred Hull Jr. I currently have a case in Franklin county Pa, concerning child support, of which, the child is not biologically mine. I had a DNA test done in 2006. This was not a court ordered test so it was deemed inadmissible in court. Court ordered in 2007, I still need to pay due to the AOP I signed. I would like to just take a few minutes of your time. While I support this promising legislation, I don't agree with the provision of contesting paternity before the age of 5. I would like to see a provision of mandatory DNA testing at birth, which I feel, would alleviate the stress of both parents where courts and court costs are involved in the future. Also, if the child hasn't had the DNA test at birth and documents are brought forward to the Domestic Relations Section of that county, then something needs to be in place for a test to be completed. Of course, if the child is 18, I would say it's too late; furthermore, that provision of contesting is not within the best interests of the child. With all do respect, I believe the best interest lies with knowing, beyond any doubt, who the biological parents are, if not for peace of mind, also for medical reasons. For example, if something were to happen, medically, to a child and that said child needed a transfusion, transplant, or something else and the dad wasn't a match, is that in the best interest of the child? My overall point is that too many women are duping great dads and great fathers into providing for a child that is not theirs, prohibiting that father to establish a life of his own with a family, if he so chooses. This is a cash cow for women who are not up front and honest and who are looking to "daddy shop". There is no accountability for the fraud that is being perpetrated by women who lie. Its unjust and unfair to make a person pay for a kid that they didn't father, but on the other hand, tries to step up to the plate and do the right thing. I signed an AOP (waiver of trial) in PA in 1993. Nothing in the AOP states I waived my right to a genetic test. I read Title 231 of the PA State code chapter 1910 Actions for Support, and this form was amended to include waiving of genetic testing. My "alleged" daughter was born in 1993 when I was in the Navy and I wasn't married at the time to the mother. We got married in May of 1993 and the child was born

in April of 1993. I thought I had to sign this AOP to get my name on the birth certificate, which later wasn't true but at the time I was to focused on traveling to my first duty station in the Navy and I needed to get the child benefits. I was plain scarred, confused and lied to. Fast forward to 2006 when, at the advice of family and friends, I was told to get a DNA test, I did. The DNA test confirmed I'm not the father but I still am being forced to pay. I tried to challenge the support order, in court, in March of 2007 and was deemed "estopped" based on the AOP I signed in 1993. I'm PRESUMED to be the father not PROVEN, which I have, and I'm still paying. I can't get a house due to my credit, arrears and my second marriage failed because my wife couldn't handle the situation I was in anymore. Basically my life is being destroyed and it's in the "best interest of the child". Ladies and Gentlemen of the House Judiciary Committee, thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

Fred R Hull Jr.