

**Representative Johnny Anderson** proposes the following substitute bill:

**FAMILY EXPENSES AMENDMENTS**

2013 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Johnny Anderson**

Senate Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill allows a creditor to collect from either a husband or wife or both for debts incurred during the marriage.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

► provides that a creditor may collect a debt from either spouse when the debt was incurred during the marriage for a family expense or the education of the children.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

**REPEALS AND REENACTS:**

**30-2-9**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2011, Chapter 109

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **30-2-9** is repealed and reenacted to read:

**30-2-9**. Family expenses -- Joint and several liability.



26           (1) Both the husband and wife, or either of them separately, are responsible for the  
27 expenses of the family and the education of the children, and they may be sued jointly or  
28 separately for the recovery of any expenses related to the family or the education of the  
29 children.

30           (2) For the expenses described in Subsection (1), the creditor shall be entitled to  
31 recover against the husband and wife, jointly and severally, all amounts provided for in a  
32 written contract signed by either the husband or wife, or as otherwise provided by law.

33           (3) Subsection (2) applies to all contracts under this section entered into by either  
34 spouse any time the parties are married and living together as husband and wife.