**§1742. Cooperation between courts; preservation of records**

**1. Request to court of another state.**  A court of this State may request the appropriate court of another state to:

A. Hold an evidentiary hearing; [PL 1999, c. 486, §3 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 486, §6 (AFF).]

B. Order a person to produce or give evidence pursuant to procedures of that state; [PL 1999, c. 486, §3 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 486, §6 (AFF).]

C. Order that an evaluation be made with respect to the custody of a child involved in a pending proceeding; [PL 1999, c. 486, §3 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 486, §6 (AFF).]

D. Forward to the court of this State a certified copy of the transcript of the record of the hearing, the evidence otherwise presented and any evaluation prepared in compliance with the request; and [PL 1999, c. 486, §3 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 486, §6 (AFF).]

E. Order a party to a child custody proceeding or any person having physical custody of the child to appear in the proceeding with or without the child. [PL 1999, c. 486, §3 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 486, §6 (AFF).]

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**2. Hearing or order upon request by court of another state.**  Upon request of a court of another state, a court of this State may hold a hearing or enter an order described in subsection 1.

[PL 1999, c. 486, §3 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 486, §6 (AFF).]

**3. Assessment of expenses.**  Travel and other necessary and reasonable expenses incurred under subsections 1 and 2 may be assessed against the parties according to the law of this State.

[PL 1999, c. 486, §3 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 486, §6 (AFF).]

**4. Preservation of records.**  A court of this State shall preserve the pleadings, orders, decrees, records of hearings, evaluations and other pertinent records with respect to a child custody proceeding until the child attains 18 years of age. Upon appropriate request by a court or law enforcement official of another state, the court shall forward a certified copy of those records.

[PL 1999, c. 486, §3 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 486, §6 (AFF).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 1999, c. 486, §3 (NEW). PL 1999, c. 486, §6 (AFF).

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