518D.112 COOPERATION BETWEEN COURTS; PRESERVATION OF RECORDS.

- (a) A court of this state may request the appropriate court of another state to:
- (1) hold an evidentiary hearing;
- (2) order a person to produce or give evidence pursuant to procedures of that state;
- (3) order that an evaluation be made with respect to the custody of a child involved in a pending proceeding;
- (4) 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
- (5) 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.
- (b) Upon request of a court of another state, a court of this state may hold a hearing or enter an order described in paragraph (a).
- (c) Travel and other necessary and reasonable expenses incurred under paragraphs (a) and (b) may be assessed against the parties according to the law of this state.
- (d) 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.

History: 1999 c 74 s 12