

23-36,307. Duties of support enforcement agency. (a) A support enforcement agency of this state, upon request, shall provide services to a petitioner in a proceeding under this act.

(b) A support enforcement agency that is providing services to the petitioner as appropriate shall:

(1) Take all steps necessary to enable an appropriate tribunal in this state or another state to obtain jurisdiction over the respondent;

(2) request an appropriate tribunal to set a date, time and place for a hearing;

(3) make a reasonable effort to obtain all relevant information, including information as to income and property of the parties;

(4) within two days, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, legal holidays, and days on which the office of the clerk of the court is not accessible, after receipt of a written notice from an initiating, responding or registering tribunal, send a copy of the notice only by personal service or registered mail, return receipt requested to the petitioner;

(5) within two days, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, legal holidays, and days on which the office of the clerk of the court is not accessible, after receipt of a written communication from the respondent or the respondent's attorney, send a copy of the communication to the petitioner; and

(6) notify the petitioner if jurisdiction over the respondent cannot be obtained.

(c) This act does not create or negate a relationship of attorney and client or other fiduciary relationship between a support enforcement agency or the attorney for the agency and the individual being assisted by the agency.

History: L. 1994, ch. 301, § 50; L. 1997, ch. 182, § 41; L. 2010, ch. 11, § 2; Apr. 1.