

**§ 50A-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 subsection (a).
- (c) Travel and other necessary and reasonable expenses incurred under subsections (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. (1979, c. 110, s. 1; 1999-223, s. 3.)