

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2019

SESSION LAW 2019-172
HOUSE BILL 469

AN ACT TO REVISE THE LAWS PERTAINING TO EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION,
AMEND THE LAWS PERTAINING TO PARENTING COORDINATORS, AND TO
MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES UNDER THE LAWS PERTAINING TO ADOPTIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 11. Article 38 of Chapter 7B of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 7B-3807. Adoption of the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children regulations.

The Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children regulations and any subsequent amendments that are adopted by the Association of Administrators of the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children of the American Public Human Service Association are hereby enacted into law and shall apply to all interstate placements of children between North Carolina and jurisdictions that are a party to this Compact."

SECTION 12. Article 38 of Chapter 7B of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 7B-3808. Action for Interstate Compact administrator to forward a request.

The Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children office at the Department of Health and Human Services has the authority to request supporting or additional information necessary to carry out the purpose and policy of the compact and to require assurance that the placement meets all applicable North Carolina placement statutes. Any sending agency that intends to place a child into and out of North Carolina shall submit a complete request to the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children office at the Department of Health and Human Services. To be considered a complete request, the submission must comply with the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children regulations and include any supporting additional information that the Department of Health and Human Services or the receiving state deems necessary. Unless otherwise provided by the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children regulations, when the Department of Health and Human Services receives an incomplete request, the Department of Health and Human Services shall provide either the sending agency in North Carolina or the receiving state with written notice of the specific information needed to process the request and shall allow the sending agency 10 business days from the date of the notice to submit the requested information. If after the expiration of the 10 business days the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children office at the Department of Health and Human Services does not receive the requested information or the sending agency does not withdraw its request, the request shall be deemed expired."

PART IV. EFFECTIVE DATE

SECTION 13. Part II and Part III of this act become effective October 1, 2019. Part I of this act becomes effective October 1, 2019, and applies to distributions on or after that date. Except as otherwise provided, the act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 15th day of July, 2019.