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78B-20-102 Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Adult" means an individual who has attained 18 years of age or is an emancipated minor.
- (2) "Caretaking authority" means the right to live with and care for a child on a day-to-day basis. The term includes physical custody, parent-time, right to access, and visitation.
- (3) "Child" means:
 - (a) an unemancipated individual who has not attained 18 years of age; or
 - (b) an adult son or daughter by birth or adoption, or under law of this state other than this chapter, who is the subject of a court order concerning custodial responsibility.
- (4) "Court" means a tribunal, including an administrative agency, authorized under the law of this state other than this chapter to make, enforce, or modify a decision regarding custodial responsibility.
- (5) "Custodial responsibility" includes all powers and duties relating to caretaking authority and decision-making authority for a child. The term includes physical custody, legal custody, parent-time, right to access, visitation, and authority to grant limited contact with a child.
- (6) "Decision-making authority" means the power to make important decisions regarding a child, including decisions regarding the child's education, religious training, health care, extracurricular activities, and travel. The term does not include the power to make decisions that necessarily accompany a grant of caretaking authority.
- (7) "Deploying parent" means a servicemember who is deployed or has been notified of impending deployment and is:
 - (a) a parent of a child under the law of this state other than this chapter; or
 - (b) an individual who has custodial responsibility for a child under the law of this state other than this chapter.
- (8) "Deployment" means the movement or mobilization of a servicemember for more than 90 days but less than 18 months pursuant to uniformed service orders that:
 - (a) are designated as unaccompanied;
 - (b) do not authorize dependent travel; or
 - (c) otherwise do not permit the movement of family members to the location to which the servicemember is deployed.
- (9) "Family member" means a sibling, aunt, uncle, cousin, stepparent, or grandparent of a child, or an individual recognized to be in a familial relationship with a child under the law of this state other than this chapter.
- (10) "Limited contact" means the authority of a nonparent to visit a child for a limited time. The term includes authority to take the child to a place other than the residence of the child.
- (11) "Nonparent" means an individual other than a deploying parent or other parent.
- (12) "Other parent" means an individual who, in common with a deploying parent, is:
 - (a) a parent of a child under the law of this state other than this chapter; or
 - (b) an individual who has custodial responsibility for a child under the law of this state other than this chapter.
- (13) "Record" means information that is inscribed on a tangible medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable in perceivable form.
- (14) "Return from deployment" means the conclusion of a servicemember's deployment as specified in uniformed service orders.
- (15) "Servicemember" means a member of a uniformed service.
- (16) "Sign" means, with present intent to authenticate or adopt a record:

- (a) to execute or adopt a tangible symbol; or
 - (b) to attach to or logically associate with the record an electronic symbol, sound, or process.
- (17) "State" means a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any territory or insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.
- (18) "Uniformed service" means:
- (a) active and reserve components of the United States armed forces;
 - (b) the United States Merchant Marine;
 - (c) the commissioned corps of the United States Public Health Service;
 - (d) the commissioned corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration of the United States; or
 - (e) the national guard of a state.