

**9560.0525 LOCAL AGENCY GIVEN LEGAL CUSTODY BY COURT.**

When a court has given legal custody of a child to a local agency, the local agency must:

- A. place the child according to the court order;
- B. before expiration of the court order, send written reports to the court giving information, evaluations, and recommendations to help the court make decisions about the child and the child's family;
- C. notify the court and the child's parent or guardian if the child is placed out of the jurisdiction of the court;
- D. inform the foster care providers of court hearings that pertain to any foster child in their care by sending advance written notice by mail to the foster care providers of the date, time, location, and purpose of any court hearing. The notice shall contain a statement that receipt of the notice does not confer standing on the foster care provider to participate at the hearing;
- E. request the court's permission for any special treatment and care if the child's parent or guardian fails to provide it;
- F. obtain the consent of the court before terminating foster care and returning the child to the family; and
- G. obtain the written consent of the child's parent or guardian and the court if a child is to be placed in foster care outside the state. If the child's parent or guardian refuses consent, the court's written consent is sufficient authorization for placement outside the state.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 257.071; 257.072; 260C.212; 260C.215*

**History:** *20 SR 2778; L 1999 c 139 art 4 s 2*

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