



CHAPTER 50A
ARTICLE 2 - UNIFORM CHILD-CUSTODY JURISDICTION AND ENFORCEMENT ACT

N.C.G.S. § 50A-203.

Jurisdiction to modify determination.

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Except as otherwise provided in G.S. 50A-204, a court of this State may not modify a child-custody determination made by a court of another state unless a court of this State has jurisdiction to make an initial determination under G.S. 50A-201(a)(1) or G.S. 50A-201(a)(2) and:

The court of the other state determines it no longer has exclusive, continuing jurisdiction under G.S. 50A-202 or that a court of this State would be a more convenient forum under G.S. 50A-207; or

A court of this State or a court of the other state determines that the child, the child's parents, and any person acting as a parent do not presently reside in the other state.

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APPARATUS I
2 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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01	1979	c. 110, s. 1	ENACTED
02	1999	S.L. 1999-223, s. 3	AMENDED

APPARATUS II
5 AUTHORITIES

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 50A-204		<i>"Except as otherwise provided in"</i>
G.S. 50A-201(a)(1)		<i>"to make an initial determination under"</i>
G.S. 50A-201(a)(2)		<i>"initial determination under G.S. 50A-201(a)(1) or"</i>
G.S. 50A-202	(null)(1)	<i>"longer has exclusive, continuing jurisdiction under"</i>
G.S. 50A-207	(null)(1)	<i>"be a more convenient forum under"</i>

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION
N.C. Gen. Stat. § 50A-203 (1999).

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