responding state; or (2) as a responding state, obtain the body of the obligor by appropriate process.

17.

The State Department of Public Welfare is hereby designated as the State Information Agency under this article, and it shall

- (1) Compile a list of the courts and their addresses in this state having jurisdiction under this article and transmit the same to the State Information Agency of every other state which has adopted this or a substantially similar act, and
- (2) Maintain a register of such lists received from other states and transmit copies thereof as soon as possible after receipt to every court in this state having jurisdiction under this article.

18.

The State Department of Public Welfare is hereby designated as the State Information Agency under this Act, and it shall be its duty:

- (1) To compile a list of the courts and their addresses in this State having jurisdiction under this Act and transmit the same to the State Information Agency of every other state which has adopted this or a substantially similar Act.
- (2) To maintain a register of such lists received from other states and to transmit copies thereof as soon as possible after receipt to every court in this state having jurisdiction under this Act.
- (a) After the court of this state acting as a responding state has received from the court of the initiating state the aforesaid copies the clerk of the court shall docket the case and notify the State's Attorney or counsel to the county council or county commissioners of his action.
- (b) It shall be the duty of the State's Attorney or counsel to the county council or county commissioners diligently to prosecute the case. He shall take all action necessary in accordance with the laws of this state to give the court jurisdiction of the obligor or his property and shall request the court to set a time and place for a hearing.

19.

[Laws attaching a privilege against the disclosure of communications between husband and wife are in applicable to proceedings under this Article. Husband and wife are competent witnesses (and may be compelled) to testify to any relevant matter, including marriage and parentage.]

(a) The State's Attorney or counsel to the county council or county commissioners shall, on his own initiative, use all means at his disposal to trace the obligor or his property and if, due to inaccuracies of the petition or otherwise, the court cannot obtain jurisdiction, the State's Attorney or counsel to the county council or county commissioners shall inform the court of what he has done and request the court to continue the case pending receipt of more accurate information or an amended petition from the court in the initiating state.