

(b) If a proceeding is brought under this subtitle, and two or more child support orders have been issued by tribunals of this State or another state with regard to the same obligor and SAME child, a tribunal of this State **HAVING PERSONAL JURISDICTION OVER BOTH THE OBLIGOR AND INDIVIDUAL OBLIGEE** shall apply the following rules [in determining] **AND BY ORDER SHALL DETERMINE** which order [to recognize for purposes of continuing, exclusive jurisdiction] **CONTROLS**:

(1) if only one of the tribunals would have continuing, exclusive jurisdiction under this subtitle, the order of that tribunal controls and must be so recognized[.];

(2) if more than one of the tribunals would have continuing, exclusive jurisdiction under this subtitle, an order issued by a tribunal in the current home state of the child controls [and must be so recognized], but if an order has not been issued in the current home state of the child, the order most recently issued controls [and must be so recognized.]; **OR**

(3) if none of the tribunals would have continuing, exclusive jurisdiction under this subtitle, the tribunal of this State [having jurisdiction over the parties] shall issue a child support order, which controls [and must be so recognized].

(c) If two or more child support orders have been issued for the same obligor and SAME child [and if the obligor or the individual obligee resides in this State], **ON REQUEST OF a party WHO IS AN INDIVIDUAL OR SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, [may request] a tribunal of this State [to] HAVING PERSONAL JURISDICTION OVER BOTH THE OBLIGOR AND THE OBLIGEE WHO IS AN INDIVIDUAL SHALL determine** which order controls [and must be so recognized] under subsection (b) of this section. The request [must be accompanied by a certified copy of every support order in effect. Each party whose rights may be affected by a determination of the controlling order must be given notice of the request for that determination in accordance with the Maryland Rules] **MAY BE FILED WITH A REGISTRATION FOR ENFORCEMENT OR REGISTRATION FOR MODIFICATION PURSUANT TO PART VI OF THIS SUBTITLE, OR MAY BE FILED AS A SEPARATE PROCEEDING.**

(d) **A REQUEST TO DETERMINE WHICH IS THE CONTROLLING ORDER MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A COPY OF EVERY CHILD SUPPORT ORDER IN EFFECT AND THE APPLICABLE RECORD OF PAYMENTS. EACH PARTY WHOSE RIGHTS MAY BE AFFECTED BY A DETERMINATION OF THE CONTROLLING ORDER SHALL BE GIVEN NOTICE OF THE REQUEST FOR THAT DETERMINATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MARYLAND RULES.**