**§2971. Continuing, exclusive jurisdiction to modify spousal support order**

**1. Tribunal of this State; continuing, exclusive jurisdiction.**  A tribunal of this State issuing a spousal support order consistent with the law of this State has continuing, exclusive jurisdiction to modify the spousal support order throughout the existence of the support obligation.

[PL 2003, c. 436, §10 (NEW).]

**2. Spousal support issued by another state or foreign country.**  A tribunal of this State may not modify a spousal support order issued by a tribunal of another state or a foreign country having continuing, exclusive jurisdiction over that order under the law of that state or foreign country.

[PL 2009, c. 95, §34 (AMD); PL 2009, c. 95, §87 (AFF).]

**3. Tribunal of this State; initiating or responding tribunal.**  A tribunal of this State that has continuing, exclusive jurisdiction over a spousal support order may serve as:

A. An initiating tribunal to request a tribunal of another state to enforce the spousal support order issued in this State; or [PL 2003, c. 436, §10 (NEW).]

B. A responding tribunal to enforce or modify its own spousal support order. [PL 2003, c. 436, §10 (NEW).]

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