

**§3321. Modification of child support order subject to Convention**

**1. Obligee resident of the foreign country.** A tribunal of this State may not modify a Convention child support order if the obligee remains a resident of the foreign country where the support order was issued unless:

A. The obligee submits to the jurisdiction of a tribunal of this State, either expressly or by defending on the merits of the case without objecting to the jurisdiction at the first available opportunity; or [PL 2009, c. 95, §83 (NEW); PL 2009, c. 95, §87 (AFF).]

B. The foreign tribunal lacks or refuses to exercise jurisdiction to modify its support order or issue a new support order. [PL 2009, c. 95, §83 (NEW); PL 2009, c. 95, §87 (AFF).]  
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**2. Application of section 3318.** If a tribunal of this State cannot modify the foreign child support order because the order is unable to be recognized in this State, the provisions of section 3318, subsection 3 apply.  
[PL 2009, c. 95, §83 (NEW); PL 2009, c. 95, §87 (AFF).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 2009, c. 95, §83 (NEW). PL 2009, c. 95, §87 (AFF).

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