

The only other changes are in style.

Defined term: "Health Department" § 3-101

3-103. INTERPRETERS FOR PROCEEDINGS.

(A) WHEN APPOINTMENT REQUIRED.

THE COURT SHALL APPOINT A QUALIFIED INTERPRETER TO HELP A DEFENDANT THROUGHOUT ANY COURT PROCEEDINGS UNDER THIS TITLE WHEN THE DEFENDANT IS:

(1) DEAF; OR

(2) CANNOT READILY UNDERSTAND OR COMMUNICATE THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND CANNOT UNDERSTAND A CHARGE MADE AGAINST THE DEFENDANT OR HELP PRESENT THE DEFENSE.

(B) COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES.

THE COURT SHALL GIVE AN INTERPRETER APPOINTED UNDER THIS SECTION:

(1) COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THAT PROVIDED FOR INTERPRETERS OF LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH; AND

(2) REIMBURSEMENT FOR ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF SERVICES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 623A, as it related to the appointment of interpreters for court proceedings under this title.

In subsection (a) of this section, the reference to "any court proceedings under this title" is substituted for the former obsolete reference to "insanity or mental health commitment proceedings".

Also in subsection (a) of this section, the former reference to being a "deaf-mute" is deleted as included in the reference to being "deaf".

Also in subsection (a) of this section, the former reference to a defendant who "[b]ecause of hearing, speaking, or other impairment" cannot readily understand or communicate the English language is deleted as unnecessary in light of the general reference to a "defendant is deaf or cannot readily understand or communicate the English language and cannot understand a charge made against the defendant or help present the defense".

As to the appointment and compensation of interpreters generally, *see* CJ § 9-114.

Defined term: "Court" § 3-101

3-104. COURT TO DETERMINE COMPETENCE.

(A) IN GENERAL.