

**RCW 26.21A.200 Proceedings under this chapter.** (1) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, this article applies to all proceedings under this chapter.

(2) An individual petitioner or a support enforcement agency may initiate a proceeding authorized under this chapter by filing a petition in an initiating tribunal for forwarding to a responding tribunal or by filing a petition or a comparable pleading directly in a tribunal of another state or a foreign country which has or can obtain personal jurisdiction over the respondent. [2015 c 214 § 12; 2002 c 198 § 301.]

**Effective date—Conflict with federal requirements—Waiver—2015 c 214:** See notes following RCW 26.21A.010.

**Denial of waiver—2015 c 214:** See note following RCW 26.21A.115.

**Effective date—2002 c 198:** See RCW 26.21A.900.