



# Family Law Act 1986

## 1986 CHAPTER 55

### PART I

#### CHILD CUSTODY

#### CHAPTER V

##### RECOGNITION AND ENFORCEMENT

### **30 Staying or sisting of enforcement proceedings.**

- (1) Where in accordance with section 29 of this Act proceedings are taken in any court for the enforcement of an order registered in that court, any person who appears to the court to have an interest in the matter may apply for the proceedings to be stayed or sisted on the ground that he has taken or intends to take other proceedings (in the United Kingdom or elsewhere) as a result of which the order may cease to have effect, or may have a different effect, in the part of the United Kingdom in which it is registered.
- (2) If after considering an application under subsection (1) above the court considers that the proceedings for enforcement should be stayed or sisted in order that other proceedings may be taken or concluded, it shall stay or sist the proceedings for enforcement accordingly.
- (3) The court may remove a stay or recall a sist granted in accordance with subsection (2) above if it appears to the court—
  - (a) that there has been unreasonable delay in the taking or prosecution of the other proceedings referred to in that subsection, or
  - (b) that those other proceedings are concluded and that the registered order, or a relevant part of it, is still in force.
- (4) Nothing in this section shall affect any power exercisable apart from this section to grant, remove or recall a stay or sist.