

**202A.0813 Transportation and examination of petition respondent.**

- (1) The court may order that the sheriff of the county or a peace officer transport the respondent to a hospital or site designated by the cabinet so that the respondent shall be examined without unnecessary delay by a qualified mental health professional. The sheriff or peace officer may authorize, upon agreement of a person authorized by the peace officer, the cabinet, a private agency on contract with the cabinet, or an ambulance service designated by the cabinet to transport the person to a hospital or site designated by the cabinet.
- (2)
  - (a) When the court is authorized to issue an order that the respondent be transported to a hospital or site designated by the cabinet for examination, the court may issue a summons.
  - (b) A summons so issued shall be directed to the respondent and shall command the respondent to appear at a time and place specified in the summons, where the respondent shall be examined by a qualified mental health professional.
  - (c) If a respondent who has been summoned fails to appear for the examination, the court may order that the sheriff of the county or a peace officer transport the respondent to a hospital or site designated by the cabinet for the purpose of an examination.

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