

**602.10125 Attorney general — appropriateness of procedure — order for appearance.**

If an action is commenced on the petition of an individual, the court shall notify and refer the matter to the attorney general. The attorney general, within thirty days of the referral, shall submit a report to the court concerning the appropriateness of bringing the action under [this chapter](#). The court shall not proceed with consideration of the merits of the complaint until the report from the attorney general is received. If the court deems the accusation sufficient to justify further action, the court shall determine whether the complaint is more appropriately pursued under [this chapter](#) rather than the procedures established under [Iowa court rules, ch. 35](#). If the court finds that proceeding under [this chapter](#) is more appropriate, it shall cause an order to be entered requiring the accused to appear and answer in the court where the accusation has been filed on the day fixed in the order, and shall cause a copy of the accusation and order to be served upon the accused personally.

[C51, §1623; R60, §2713; C73, §220; C97, §326; C24, §10933; C27, 31, 35, §10934-b1; C39, §10934.1; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §610.27]

[83 Acts, ch 101, §122](#); [83 Acts, ch 186, §10202\(2\)](#)

CS83, §602.10125

[93 Acts, ch 85, §5](#); [2006 Acts, ch 1010, §153](#)