

**600.2 Definitions.**

1. “Adoption service provider”, “adult”, “agency”, “biological parent”, “certified adoption investigator”, “child”, “court”, “custodian”, “department”, “guardian”, “guardian ad litem”, “juvenile court”, “minor”, “parent”, “parent-child relationship”, “stepparent”, and “termination of parental rights” mean the same as defined in [section 600A.2](#).

2. “Investigator” means a natural person who is certified or approved by the department, after inspection by the department of inspections, appeals, and licensing, as being capable of conducting an investigation under [section 600.8](#).

[C77, 79, 81, §600.2]

[90 Acts, ch 1204, §64](#); [94 Acts, ch 1046, §12](#); [2017 Acts, ch 113, §3](#); [2023 Acts, ch 19, §1245, 2032](#)

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