

**252B.26 Service of process.**

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, child support services may serve a petition, notice, or rule to show cause under [this chapter](#) or [chapter 252A](#), [252C](#), [252F](#), [252H](#), [252K](#), [598](#), or [665](#) as specified in each chapter, or as follows:

1. Child support services may serve a petition, notice, or rule to show cause by certified mail. Return acknowledgment is required to prove service by certified mail, [rules of civil procedure 1.303\(5\)](#) and [1.308\(5\)](#) shall not apply, and the return acknowledgment shall be filed with the clerk of court.

2. Child support services may serve a notice of intent under [chapter 252H](#), or a notice of decision under [section 252H.14A](#), upon any party or parent who is receiving family investment program assistance for the parent or child by sending the notice by regular mail to the address maintained by the department. [Rules of civil procedure 1.303\(5\)](#) and [1.308\(5\)](#) shall not apply and child support services shall file proof of service as provided in [chapter 252H](#). If the notice is determined to be undeliverable, child support services shall serve the notice as otherwise provided in [this section](#) or by personal service.

[2005 Acts, ch 112, §7](#); [2007 Acts, ch 218, §142, 156](#); [2015 Acts, ch 110, §121, 123](#); [2023 Acts, ch 19, §870](#)

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