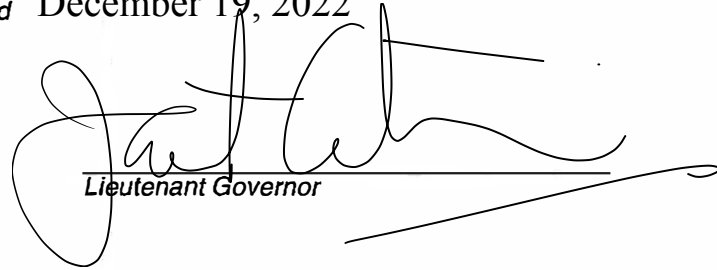


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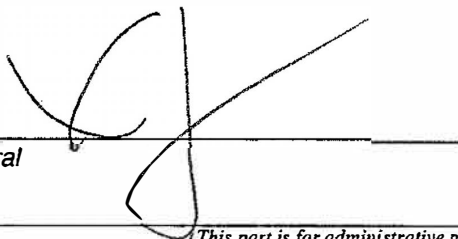
, Approved and Ordered December 19, 2022



Lieutenant Governor

Executive Council Chambers, Victoria

On the recommendation of the undersigned, the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, orders that the Interjurisdictional Support Orders Regulation, B.C. Reg. 15/2003, is amended as set out in the attached Appendix.



Attorney General



Presiding Member of the Executive Council

*(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)*

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section: *Interjurisdictional Support Orders Act*, S.B.C. 2002, c. 29, s. 44 (2)

Other: O.C. 48/2003

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## APPENDIX

### *1 The Interjurisdictional Support Orders Regulation, B.C. Reg. 15/2003, is amended by adding the following sections:*

#### **Direction for method of attendance**

- 5.1** (1) The chief judge of the Provincial Court may direct that a class of court appearances for proceedings in the Provincial Court may or must be attended by telephone, video conference or other means of electronic communication.
- (2) A direction under subsection (1) may be different for different court registries, types of court appearances, classes of persons or circumstances.

#### **Judge may specify method of attendance**

- 5.2** (1) A judge of the Provincial Court may, despite a direction made under section 5.1 (1), allow a person to attend a court appearance by any method of attendance that the judge specifies.
- (2) The judge may consider the following in making an order or direction under subsection (1):
- (a) the distance between the person's residence and the location of the court appearance;
  - (b) difficulty in attending because of illness or disability;
  - (c) the financial cost associated with attending;
  - (d) the expense incurred, or savings realized, by using electronic communication;
  - (e) any concerns related to security, including a risk of family violence;
  - (f) any difficulty in conducting the court appearance that may arise from using electronic communication.