

**§1608. Multiple alleged fathers**

When it appears to the department that there may be more than one alleged father, the department may maintain proceedings against each alleged father, simultaneously or successively. Failure to serve a notice on an alleged father does not bar the department from maintaining a proceeding under this chapter against any other alleged father. [PL 1995, c. 694, Pt. B, §2 (NEW); PL 1995, c. 694, Pt. E, §2 (AFF).]

When the department initiates proceedings against one alleged father when there may be more than one alleged father, the department may require the parties to submit to blood or tissue-typing tests prior to accepting an acknowledgment of paternity from the alleged father. If the alleged father refuses to participate in testing, the department may file the action in court. [PL 2001, c. 554, §5 (NEW).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 1995, c. 694, §B2 (NEW). PL 1995, c. 694, §E2 (AFF). PL 2001, c. 554, §5 (AMD).

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