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## CHAPTER 150

AN ACT to renumber 322.03 (4) and to amend 322.02 (1) and 322.03 (1) of the statutes, relating to the investigation of a person to be adopted.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. 322.02 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

322.02 (1) Upon the filing of a petition for adoption of a minor the court shall cause an investigation to be made of the environment and antecedents of the person to be adopted to ascertain whether he is a proper subject for adoption, and of the home of the petitioner to determine whether it is a suitable home. The investigation shall be made by a licensed child welfare agency or the Wisconsin child center or county home for dependent children or by a probation officer or by some other person or by the state department of public welfare, as the court directs.

Section 2. 322.03 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

322.03 (1) The court shall appoint a time and place for hearing the petition, and in the case of the adoption of a minor shall allow a reasonable time \* \* \* for the investigation required by s. 322.02. Notice of the hearing shall be mailed to the person or agency making such investigation and proof thereof shall be filed. If the hearing is not had at the time appointed, it shall stand adjourned. The court may, upon its own motion

or upon the motion of an interested person, fix another time for the hearing and upon such hearing may grant or deny the petition or grant a further adjournment.

Section 3. 322.03 (4) of the statutes is renumbered 322.03 (3).

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