

WHO CAN PROVIDE CART IN THE LEGAL SETTING?

According to Chapter 57 of the Government Code, Communication Access in the legal setting will be provided by a CART Provider Certified by the Texas Court Reporters Association CART Foundation.

See (d) below:

SUBCHAPTER B. INTERPRETERS FOR HEARING-IMPAIRED INDIVIDUALS

Sec. 57.021. COURT INTERPRETER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM.

- (a) The department shall certify court interpreters to interpret court proceedings for a hearing-impaired individual.
- (b) The department may contract with public or private educational institutions to administer a training program and by rule may provide for suspension of training offered by an institution if the training fails to meet requirements established by the department.
- (c) The department shall maintain a list of certified court interpreters and other persons the department has determined are qualified to act as court interpreters and shall send the list to each state court and, on request, to other interested persons.
- (d) The department may maintain a list of persons certified by the Texas Court Reporters Association as qualified to provide communication access real-time translation services for a hearing-impaired individual in a court proceeding and, on request, may send the list to a person or court.
- (e) The department may accept gifts, grants, or donations from private individuals, foundations, or other entities to assist in administering the court interpreter certification program under this section.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1139, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 2001.

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Chapter 57 in its entirety can be reviewed at <http://tlo2.tlc.state.tx.us/statutes/gv.toc.htm>.