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Abstract: Authorizes a district attorney to stay all or a portion of discovery in actions for divorce, custody, child support, visitation, or protective orders.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes a court to stay all or a portion of discovery in a pending civil action related to a criminal proceeding upon the motion of the district attorney.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the motion to stay shall be heard by a contradictory hearing within 30 days of filing the motion, and provides additional procedures for lifting or terminating the stay.

<u>Present law</u> excepts petitions or proceedings for divorce, custody, child support, visitation, or protective orders from application of <u>present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> removes the <u>present law</u> exception, authorizing a district attorney to stay all or a portion of discovery in actions for divorce, custody, child support, visitation, or protective orders.

(Repeals C.C.P. Art. 1426.1(E))