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Requires the court, in the absence of good cause to the contrary, to transfer a case to tribal court in a proceeding for a preadoptive or adoptive placement of an Indian child. The transfer can be denied by the tribal court. "Preadoptive placement" means the temporary placement of an Indian child in a foster home or institution after the termination of parental rights, before or instead of adoptive placement. "Adoptive placement" means the permanent placement of an Indian child for adoption, including an action resulting in a final decree of adoption.