

Department of Aging

John Kasich, Governor Bonnie Kantor-Burman, Director

NOTICE

H.B. No. 153's amendments to section 173.391 of the Revised Code take effect on September 29, 2011. The amendments will change the **disciplinary actions against non-compliant certified providers**. ODA must now incorporate the changes into the Administrative Code. ODA proposes to do so by replacing rule 173-39-05 of the Administrative Code with a new rule, adopting new rule 173-39-05.1 of the Administrative Code, and amending rules 173-39-06 and 173-39-08 of the Administrative Code. ODA proposes to adopt these rule proposals on September 29, 2011, the same day that H.B. No. 153's amendments take effect.

As required by section 119.03 of the Revised Code, ODA will conduct a public hearing to obtain comments concerning ODA's proposed amendment to the rule. ODA will conduct the hearing on **August 15, 2011** in Conference Rooms **10A & 10B** of the ODA's offices at 50 W. Broad Street, **10th floor**; Columbus, OH 43215. The hearing will begin at **1:30PM** and will continue until all parties in attendance at that time have had an opportunity to provide comment.

ODA will consolidate this public hearing with at least seven other public hearings on August 15, 2011 to reduce the state's administrative expenses and to reduce the general public's costs associated with traveling to Columbus to participate in public hearings.

Any person may direct written comments or requests for information concerning the rule proposals to Tom Simmons, ODA's rules manager, on or before the date of the hearing by writing to <u>rules@age.state.oh.us</u>.

INTRODUCTION

ODA is proposing to amend Chapter 173-39 of the Administrative Code. In doing so, ODA has 3 basic goals:

- 1. To implement H.B. No. 153's changes to section 173.391 of the Revised Code into Chapter 173-39 of the Administrative Code. H.B. No. 153's amendments to section 173.391 of the Revised Code take effect on September 29, 2011. The amendments will change the disciplinary actions against non-compliant certified providers. ODA must now incorporate the changes into the Administrative Code. ODA proposes to do so by replacing rule 173-39-05 of the Administrative Code with a new rule, adopting new rule 173-39-05.1 of the Administrative Code, and amending rules 173-39-06 and 173-39-08 of the Administrative Code. ODA proposes to adopt these rule proposals on September 29, 2011, the same day that H.B. No. 153's amendments take effect.
- 2. To comply with section 119.032 of the Revised Code, which requires each state agency to review each rule on or before the rule's designated review date.
- 3. To comply with Governor Kasich's Executive Order 2011-01K "Implementing Common Sense Business Regulation" and S.B. No. 2 (129th G.A.).

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- a. ODA is proposing to amend Chapter 173-39 of the Administrative Code after providing interested parties and the general public an opportunity to provide input on the proposed amendments to Chapter 173-39 of the Administrative Code. From June 30, 2011 to July 11, 2011, ODA posted the proposed amended rule on http://aging.ohio.gov/information/rules/proposed.aspx for a public-comment period.
- b. ODA reviewed the rules to eliminate unnecessary regulations and to write easier-to-read and easier-to-comprehend rules to promote transparency in the agency's regulations. In doing so, Oda made the rules as easy to read as the subject matter allowed, gave non-disciplinary actions a rule of their own so that the each rule remained a one-topic rule, added numerous sub-headings to the rules to make thumbing through the rules easy, wrote in the active voice so the language clearly identified who is responsible for what.