PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: September 30, 2019

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Room 3110B, Rhodes State Office Tower

30 East Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215

Pursuant to section 5107.05 and Chapter 119 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services gives notice of the department's intent to propose to rescind and replace with a new rule as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5101:1-1-50, entitled Written Declaration of Citizenship/Alien Status and the Use of the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements System, is being rescinded and replaced with a new rule as more than 50 percent of the original language has been stricken due to a five-year rule review. This rule describes the policy regarding written declaration for citizenship/alien status and the use of the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements System (SAVE) of noncitizens who apply for the Ohio Works First; Prevention, Retention and Contingency; and Refugee Cash Assistance programs. The rule has been reorganized to improve clarity. Changes to the rule include: language in paragraph (A) referring to forms JFS 7200 and JFS 7204 was stricken and replaced with the term "application" in accordance with rule 5101:1-2-01 of the Administrative Code; the term "reapplication" was replaced with "recertification" in order to align with rule 5101:1-2-10 of the Administrative Code; paragraph (B)(1)(a)(ii) removed the word "seven" in order to align with the definition of A-number as defined by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigrations Services; paragraph (C) was stricken and combined with paragraph (D); new paragraph (C) defines the SAVE system; new paragraph (D) has been modified to identify methods of verifying documents; former paragraph (D)(3) was stricken and moved to new paragraph (E) to improve clarity; new paragraph (F) was updated to reflect the manual process to be used for extraordinary circumstances in verifying an individual's immigration status. Minor language changes were made for clarity.

A copy of the proposed rule(s) is available, without charge, to any person affected by the rule(s) at the address listed below. The rule(s) is also available on the internet at http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/. A public hearing on the proposed rule(s) will be held at the date, time, and location listed at the top of this notice. Either written or oral testimony will be taken at the public hearing. Additionally, written comments submitted or postmarked no later than the date of the public hearing will be treated as testimony.

Requests for a copy of the proposed rule(s) or comments on the rule(s) should be submitted by mail to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Office of Legal and Acquisition Services, 30 East Broad Street, 31st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414, by fax at (614) 752-8298, or by e-mail at <u>rules@jfs.ohio.gov</u>.

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