

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES**

DATE: March 30, 2011
TIME: 10:00 am
LOCATION: Room 3110B, Rhodes State Office Tower
30 East Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215

Pursuant to sections 5103.03, 5153.166 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 consider the amendment of the rules as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5101:2-42-18, entitled PCSA and PCPA approval of placements with relative and nonrelative substitute caregivers, is being proposed for amendment in order to align with rule 5101:2-7-02 of the Ohio Administrative Code. This rule sets forth the requirements for completing a home assessment for relative and nonrelative caregivers. The changes include adding paragraph (F) to reference OAC 5101:2-7-02 which state the four prohibitive criminal offenses for all substitute caregivers and deleting the reference to central registry as all searches are now done via SACWIS.

Rule 5101:2-1-01, entitled Children services definitions of terms, is being proposed for amendment in order to clarify some definitions of terms used in placement and foster care rules. This rule sets forth the overall definitions used in Chapters 5101:2-5, 5101:2-7, 5101:2-9, 5101:2-33, 5101:2-35, 5101:2-36, 5101:2-39, 5101:2-40, 5101:2-42, 5101:2-44, 5101:2-47, 5101:2-48, 5101:2-49, 5101:2-52 and 5101:2-57 of the Administrative Code. Changes were made to the following definitions: repeat offender, substitute caregiver, temporary custody by commitment, and variance.

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 Services, 30 East Broad Street, 31st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414, by fax at (614) 752-8298, or by e-mail at rules@jfs.ohio.gov.