PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE:December 27, 2011TIME:10:00 a.m.LOCATION:Room 3110B, Rhodes State Office Tower
30 East Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215

Pursuant to sections 2151.86, 3107.033, 5103.02, 5103.03, 5103.0316, 5103.0319, 5103.0327, 5103.18 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 rule as identified below and of a public hearing thereon. The rule is proposed for amendment as a result of the five year review process.

OAC rule 5101:2-5-20, entitled "Initial application for child placement in foster care" provides guidance to agencies on what needs to be completed to initially certify a prospective foster caregiver. Paragraph (O) was amended to extend the fire inspection to one year prior to initial certification of the foster home.

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 <u>http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/</u>. 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 <u>rules@jfs.ohio.gov</u>.