

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: June 16, 2015
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Room 2921, Rhodes State Office Tower
30 East Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215

Pursuant to section 5153.16 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 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 5101:2-48-02, entitled "Putative Father Registry" provides guidance to agencies regarding the Ohio Putative Father Registry, established to assist putative fathers in securing their parental rights in an adoption. In paragraph (B), the form name and effective date for the JFS 01694 were corrected, and the JFS 01694I was added. Paragraph (D) was revised to reflect the law change from thirty days to fifteen days after birth for the putative father to register. Paragraph (E) was revised to correctly mirror the language in the law, as well as update the effective date of the JFS 01695. Paragraph (F) was revised to reflect the change in law allowing a final search to be completed of the registry no sooner than sixteen days after the birth of the child. Paragraphs (G), (H), and (I) were revised to reflect the corrected language in paragraph (E).

A copy of the proposed rule 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 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 rules@jfs.ohio.gov.