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

## DATE: 11/15/2023 TIME: 10:00 AM LOCATION: Teleconference and Room 3110B, Rhodes State Office Tower 30 East Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215

This meeting will be held by teleconference and in person. If you would like to submit oral testimony, please attend the meeting site location or call in at the date and time to 1-614-721-2972. Then enter the meeting I.D # which is 439 726 009#. Written testimony may also be submitted electronically to: <u>rules@jfs.ohio.gov</u>

Pursuant to sections 3107.032, 3107.033, 5103.03, 5153.166 and Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, 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 5101:2-5-20, entitled Initial application and Completion of the Foster Care Homestudy is being proposed for amendment because Senate Bill 202 of the 134th General Assembly was signed by Governor DeWine enacting new Ohio Revised Code sections 2131.03, 2131.031, 2131.032, 2131.033, and 2131.034 that became effective April 3, 2023. This rule sets forth changes to Paragraph (E)(4) to provide reference to the new sections Ohio Revised Code 2131.03, 2131.031, 2131.032, 2131.033, and 2131.034 which were created to address persons with disabilities and modifications that may be necessary to accommodate them when applying as a foster caregiver. Paragraphs (K)(3) and (N)(3) have Ohio added to the name of the statewide automated child welfare information system (SACWIS), to properly identified the system as Ohio SACWIS.

Rule 5101:2-48-12, entitled Completion of the Adoption Homestudy is being proposed for amendment because Senate Bill 202 of the 134th General Assembly was signed by Governor DeWine enacting new Ohio Revised Code sections 2131.03, 2131.031, 2131.032, 2131.033, and 2131.034 that became effective April 3, 2023. This rule sets forth changes to Paragraph (E)(4) to provide reference to the new sections Ohio Revised Code 2131.03, 2131.031, 2131.032, 2131.032, 2131.033, and 2131.033, and 2131.034 which were created to address persons with disabilities and modifications that may be necessary to accommodate them when applying as an adoptive parent.

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