LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

Pursuant to Sections 5103.20, 5103.02, 5103.03, 5107.24, 3107.083, 5103.15, 5103.16, 5153.16 and Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, the director of the Department of Job and family Services gives notice of the department's intent to consider the adoption and rescission of a substitute care rule as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

The rescission and adoption of this Chapter 5101:2-42 rule is due to discretionary policy changes.

Rule 5101:2-42-18, "Approval of substitute care placement settings" is proposed for rescission. This rule provides a process for PCSAs and PCPAs to utilize in approving child placements with relatives. This rule is being rescinded and replaced with new rule 5101:2-42-18.

Rule 5101:2-42-18 "PCSA and PCPA approval of placements with relative and nonrelative substitute caregivers," provides minimum requirements for PCSAs and PCPAs to follow in approving relatives and nonrelatives as substitute caregivers when they do not wish to become certified foster care providers. A form (JFS 01447) signifying agreement between the agency and the substitute caregiver in relation to the care of the child has been added.

A copy of the proposed rules is available, without charge, to any person affected by them at the address listed below. The rules are also available on the internet at http://www.state.oh.us/odjfs/legal.htm. A public hearing on the proposed rules will be held on September 4th, 2003 at 10:00 A.M. in Room 1823, Rhodes Office Tower, 30 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio. Either written or verbal testimony on these rules will be taken at the public hearing. Additionally, written comments submitted or postmarked no later than September 4th, 2003 will be treated as testimony.

Requests for a copy of the proposed rules or comments on them should be submitted by mail to "Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Office of Legal Services, 30 East Broad Street, 31st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215", by fax at (614) 752-8298, or by E-Mail at public records@odjfs.state.oh.us.

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