PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE:October 21, 2019TIME:10:00AMLOCATION:Room 3110B, Rhodes State Office Tower
30 East Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215

Pursuant to sections 5104.015, 5104.016, 5104.042 and Chapter 119 of the Revised Code, the director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) gives notice of the department's intent to consider adoption of the rules as identified below and of a public hearing thereon. These rules are being amended to implement the requirements of Am. Sub. HB 166 of the 133rd General Assembly.

Proposed amended rules:

5101:2-12-01 "Definitions for licensed child care centers" defines the terms used throughout Chapter 5101:2-12 of center licensing rules. This rule is being amended to add definitions of "authorized representative" and "special needs child care," and remove the definition of "special needs." Minor changes have been made to the definitions for "child care," "child care staff members," "employees," and "school-age child."

5101:2-12-05 "Denial, revocation and suspension of a licensed child care center application or license" outlines the parameters for denying an application and suspending or revoking a child care center license. This rule is being amended to add language that if an in-home aide certification has been revoked, the applicant may not be granted a child care center license until five years have elapsed from the date of the revocation and to amend the standards and procedures for the suspension of licenses.

5101:2-12-07 "Administrator responsibilities, requirements and qualifications for a licensed child care center" outlines the education and responsibilities required to become an administrator in a licensed child care center. This rule is being amended to add language that no administrator, employee, licensee or child care staff member shall discriminate in the enrollment of children upon the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, or national origin.

A copy of the proposed rules is available, without charge, to any person affected by the rules at the address listed below. The rules are also available on the internet at <u>http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/</u>. A public hearing on the proposed rules 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 rules or comments on the rules 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 <u>rules@jfs.ohio.gov</u>.