

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: November 21, 2006
TIME: 11:00 A.M.
LOCATION: Room 3110B, Rhodes State Office Tower
30 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215

Pursuant to section 5101.54 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 rules as identified below and of a public hearing thereon.

Rule 5101:4-3-11, entitled "Food stamps: exemptions, work registration, work requirements, and sanctions," is being proposed for amendment to comply with the five year rule review as required in Ohio Revised Code 119.032. This rule sets forth exemptions from food stamp work registration, work registration procedures, work requirements, and sanctions for assistance groups in which all members are not eligible to receive benefits under Ohio Works First. There are no changes to this rule that affect the eligibility of applicants/recipients or how any county agency will administer the program.

Rule 5101:4-3-19, entitled "Food stamps: voluntary quit and reduction of work effort," is being proposed for amendment to comply with the five year rule review as required in Ohio Revised Code 119.032. This rule sets forth the criteria for establishing a voluntary job quit and reduction of work effort and the corresponding sanction to applied to the individual who meets the criteria. There are no changes to this rule that affect the eligibility of applicants/recipients or how any county agency will administer the program.

Rule 5101:4-3-29, entitled "Food stamps: employment and training (FSET): appraisal," is being proposed for amendment to comply with the five year rule review as required in Ohio Revised Code 119.032. This rule sets forth the criteria for appraising/assessing mandatory work registrants and developing employability plans to achieve self-sufficiency. There are no changes to this rule that affect the eligibility of applicants/recipients or how any county agency will administer the program.

Rule 5101:4-3-31, entitled "Food stamp employment and training: required hours," is being proposed for amendment to comply with the five year rule review as required in Ohio Revised Code 119.032. This rule sets forth the number of hours needed for each work component for participants to meet the work requirement. There are no changes to this rule that affect the eligibility of applicants/recipients or how any county agency will administer the program.

Rule 5101:4-3-32, entitled "Food stamp employment and training: supportive services," is being proposed for amendment to comply with the five year rule review as required in Ohio Revised Code 119.032. This rule sets forth the supportive services that county

agencies must provide to individuals who are subject to participation in the work requirements. There are no changes to this rule that affect the eligibility of applicants/recipients or how any county agency will administer the program.

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 <http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/>. 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.

Request 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 Services, 30 East Broad street, 31st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215, by fax at (614)752-8289, or by e-mail at rules@jfs.state.oh.us.