PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: 03/13/2025 TIME: 10:00 AM LOCATION: Teleconference and in person at room 3110B, Rhodes State Office Tower

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 362 737 379#. Written testimony may also be submitted electronically to rules@jfs.ohio.gov.

Pursuant to sections 3121.71 and 3125.25 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.

The following OAC rules are being proposed for amendment as a result of a review conducted in accordance with section 106.03 of the Revised Code (ORC), which requires five-year reviews of all state agency rules.

- Rule 5101:12-80-05., "Collection and Disbursement," describes the requirement to process and disburse support payments from a single physical location and contains definitions used in this rule and supplementary rules. Changes to the rule include the following: removing paragraphs (F) and (G) as unnecessary; making some minor edits for readability and to be consistent with the terminology used by the State Disbursement Unit (SDU); and removing the abbreviation in paragraph (C)(9) because the abbreviation does not appear in the remainder of the rule.
- Rule 5101:12-80-05.1, "Collection at the Child Support Enforcement Agency," describes the requirements of a CSEA that elects to collect support payments, the requirements regarding bonding employees, and following recognized accounting standards. Changes to the rule include editing paragraphs (B) and (C) for readability and updating the title of the federal office in paragraph (F)(3).
- Rule 5101:12-80-05.2, "Date of Collection," describes how the date of collection of a support payment is determined. Changes to the rule include the following: editing paragraph (A) to be consistent with terminology used by the SDU; updating the title of the federal office in paragraph (B); and removing the "OCSE" abbreviation in paragraph (B) because it does not appear in the remainder of the rule.
- Rule 5101:12-80-05.3, "Payment Processing and Disbursement," describes the processes taken to disburse funds and the timeframes required for disbursing support payments. The change to the rule is to split paragraph (B)(3) into subparagraphs for readability.
- Rule 5101:12-80-05.4, "Exception Item Processing and Resolution," describes exception items and actions OCS and the CSEAs are required to take to resolve the problems, and to subsequently disburse payments. Changes to the rule include the following: removing references to the SDU because it is interchangeable with the Child Support Payment Central (CSPC); correcting the misspelling in paragraph (F)(3); removing the "SARP" abbreviation in paragraph (E)(3) because the abbreviation does not appear in the remainder of the rule; splitting paragraph (D)(1)(b) into subparagraphs for readability; and clarifying what is considered a return deposit item in paragraph (F)(1).

- Rule 5101:12-80-05.5, "Check Replacement," describes the actions the CSEA is required to take when a payee requests replacement of a check disbursed by CSPC. Changes to the rule include the following: editing paragraphs (B) and (C) for clarity; clarifying in paragraph (B) that the JFS 07741 and the mutilated check can be emailed to the CSPC; and clarifying in paragraph (C)(1) that the payee must return the JFS 04021 to the CSEA.
- Rule 5101:12-80-99, "Chapter 5101:12-80 Forms Collections and Disbursement," contains a compilation of forms with their effective or revised effective date, referenced within various rules contained within division 5101:12 of the Administrative Code, but first cited within Chapter 5101:12-80 of the Administrative Code. Changes to the rule include updating the revision dates of the JFS 07736 and JFS 07749.

Copies of the proposed rules are 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 copies 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>.