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NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION AND PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED GA. COMP. R. & REGS. RULE 290-2-31 OF THE RULES OF THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR RESPITE CARE OF MORE THAN 72 HOURS FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE

To All Interested Persons and Parties:

The Georgia Department of Human Services (the "Department) proposes the adoption of Rule 290-2-31 entitled "RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR RESPITE CARE OF MORE THAN 72 HOURS FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE", to the Rules of the Georgia Department of Human Services. The Department will be accepting written comments regarding the proposed rule from August 28, 2023 through September 27, 2023.

This notice, together with a copy of the proposed rule and a synopsis of the proposed rule, is being mailed to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on a mailing list.

A copy of this notice, a copy of the proposed rule, and a synopsis of the proposed rule may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Department of Human Services, Office of General Counsel at the following address:

Office of General Counsel Georgia Department of Human Services 47 Trinity Ave. S.W. Atlanta, GA 30334

These documents will also be available for review on the Department's web page at <u>https://dhs.georgia.gov/</u>.

A public hearing is scheduled to begin at 1:00p.m. on September 18, 2023, in person at 47 Trinity Avenue SW Atlanta, Georgia 30334 (information available at https://dhs.georgia.gov/ under "Events Schedule") to provide the public an opportunity to

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comment upon and provide input into the proposed rule. At the public hearing anyone may present data, make a statement, comment, or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for the official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to 5 minutes per person. Additional comments should be presented in writing. Written comments are welcome. To ensure their consideration, written comments must be received by the Department on or before September 27, 2023. Written comments should be addressed to:

Regina Quick General Counsel Georgia Department of Human Services 47 Trinity Ave. S.W. Atlanta, GA 30334

The proposed rule will be considered for adoption by the Board at its meeting scheduled to begin in November, location to be determined. Up to date meeting schedule information will be posted at <u>https://dhs.georgia.gov/</u>.

Comment Period and Additional Information:

The Department will be accepting written comments regarding the proposed rule from August 28, 2023 through September 27, 2023. Please submit written comments to:

Regina Quick General Counsel Georgia Department of Human Services 47 Trinity Ave. S.W. Atlanta, GA 30334 Telephone Number: (470) 453-5866

Interested persons may call or submit a written request to obtain a copy of the synopsis and the markup of the proposed rule. A copy of the synopsis and the markup proposed rule may also be downloaded from the Department's web page at https://dhs.georgia.gov/.

This notice is given in compliance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.