



Georgia Department of Human Services
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Date: September 1, 2016

Action: Notice of Public Hearing to Consider the Adoption of Amendments to Chapter Sections 290-7-1-.04, 290-7-1-.08, 290-7-1-.13, 290-7-1-.14, 290-7-1-.15 of the Georgia Department of Human Services' Rules and Regulations related to Recovery and Administration of Child Support.

To All Interested Persons and Parties:

The Georgia Department of Human Services, Division of Child Support Services (the "Department"), proposes amendments to Chapter 290-7-1 of the Rules of the Georgia Department of Human Services related to Recovery and Administration of Child Support. The proposed amendments affect chapter sections 290-7-1-.04, 290-7-1-.08, 290-7-1-.13, 290-7-1-.14, 290-7-1-.15. Adoption of these amendments will assist the Department in providing enforcement services. First, amendments to 290-7-1-.04, 290-7-1-.13, and 290-7-1-.14 are intended to correct errors found within these rules. The proposed amendments do not contain substantive or procedural changes to the processes described within these rules. Secondly, amendments to 290-7-1-.08 will bring the rule in compliance with the correct procedures for the interception of federal and state income tax refunds due to obligors who owe child support arrears. Third, the proposed amendments to 290-7-1-.15 will allow the Department to assist obligors who are have physical custody of their minor children and allow the Department to better collect arrears owed to the previous custodian. The Department will be accepting written comments from September 1, 2016, to close of business (4:30 p.m. EDT) on September 30, 2016.



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This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed amended rule and a synopsis of the proposed amended 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, an exact copy of the proposed amended rule, and a synopsis of the proposed amended 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,

Office of General Counsel
Georgia Department of Human Services
2 Peachtree Street NW, Suite 29-201
Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

These documents will also be available for review on the Division of Child Support Services' web page at <http://ocss.dhs.georgia.gov>.

A public hearing is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. on October 5, 2016, at the Board Room on the 29th floor of 2 Peachtree Street to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed amended 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



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received on or before September 30, 2016. Written comments should be addressed to Tonya Cureton Curry, General Counsel, 2 Peachtree Street NW, Suite 29-201, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. FAX: 404-657-1123.

The proposed amended rule will be considered for adoption by the Board at its meeting scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. on November 16, 2016, in the Board Room on the 29th floor of 2 Peachtree Street.

Comment Period and Additional Information:

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Interested persons may call or submit a written request to obtain a copy of the proposed rule(s). A copy of the synopsis and the proposed rule(s) may be downloaded from the Georgia Department of Human Services, Division of Child Support Services website at <http://ocss.dhs.georgia.gov>.

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