Department of Human Resources Adult Protective Services

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

RULE NO. & TITLE: 660-5-41-.01 Purpose of Protective Services

INTENDED ACTION: To Amend Rule 660-5-41-.01

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: This rule is amended so that the language used by Adult Protective Services complies with that of Child Protective Services in making dispositions in protectives services investigations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation. Some of this language is in existence in the Social Services joint information system and is used in administrative hearings. The changes are intended to avoid dispositions being overturned because of inaccurate language, and to prevent the need for hearings for those individuals when the courts find that abuse, neglect, or exploitation has occurred.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: All interested parties may submit data, views, or arguments respecting the proposed amendment by mail or in person through the close of business on July 5, 2007. Persons wishing to submit data, views, or arguments orally should contact the Department's Administrative Procedure Secretary between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding State holidays, at (334) 242 - 1328, or set up an appointment for such oral/in person presentations.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: July 5, 2007

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