ALABAMA MEDICAID AGENCY

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

RULE NO. & TITLE: 560-X-25-.06 Financial Eligibility Criteria - Resources

INTENDED ACTION: Amend 560-X-25-.06 (5) (f)(iv) and (g)

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The above-referenced rule is being amended to incorporate language from the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 regarding the implementation of a Qualified State Long-Term Care Insurance (QSLTCI) Partnership Program effective March 1, 2009. The proposed change will allow the disregard of assets in an amount equal to benefits paid to, or on behalf of, an individual who is a beneficiary of a QSLTCI Partnership policy for long-term care services received when determining Medicaid eligibility and in estate recovery. These changes are necessary to align the rule with the Alabama State Plan and federal regulations.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Written or oral comments may be submitted to the Alabama Medicaid Agency, 501 Dexter Avenue, Post Office Box 5624, Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624, 334-242-5833. Agency business hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

<u>FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:</u>. Written/Oral comments concerning this change must be received by the Alabama Medicaid Agency no later than December 31, 2008.

<u>CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY:</u> William O. Butler, III, Administrative Secretary, Alabama Medicaid Agency, 501 Dexter Avenue, Post Office Box 5624, Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624.

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Commissioner