Regulatory Review and Evaluation

Regulations promulgated under the Administrative Procedure Act will undergo a review by the promulgating agency in accordance with the Regulatory Review and Evaluation Act (State Government Article, §§10-130 — 10-139; COMAR 01.01.2003.20). This review will be documented in an evaluation report which will be submitted to the General Assembly’s Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review. The evaluation reports have been spread over an 8-year period (see COMAR 01.01.2003.20 for the schedule). Notice that an evaluation report is available for public inspection and comment will be published in this section of the Maryland Register.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

Opportunity for Public Comment

In accordance with State Government Article, §§10-130—10-139, Annotated Code of Maryland, the Maryland State Department of Human Resources is currently reviewing and evaluating the following chapters of COMAR Title 07:

Subtitle 01 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
  07.01.01 Regulation Adoption and Declaratory Rulings
  07.01.02 Procedures for Access to Records
  07.01.03 Nondiscrimination
  07.01.04 Administrative Hearings
  07.01.06 Citizen’s Review Board for Children
  07.01.07 Confidentiality of Records
  07.01.08 Correction or Amendment of Personal Records
  07.01.09 Evaluation of the Local Directors of Social Services
  07.01.10 Office of the Inspector General
  07.01.11 Buildings and Grounds of Local Departments of Social Services
  07.01.13 Legal Services
  07.01.17 Homeless Women-Crisis Shelter Home
  07.01.18 Service Linked Housing Program
  07.01.19 Homeless Services Program
  07.01.20 Maryland Emergency Food Program
  07.01.21 Displaced Homemaker Program

Subtitle 02 SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
  07.02.01 In-Home Family Services
  07.02.04 Social Services Eligibility Requirements Based on Income
  07.02.07 Child Protective Services – Investigation of Child Abuse and Neglect
  07.02.10 Youth Transitional Services
  07.02.11 Out-of-Home Placement Program
  07.02.12 Adoption
  07.02.13 Post-Adoption Reunion Services
  07.02.14 In-Home Aide Services
  07.02.15 Social Services to Adults
  07.02.16 Adult Protective Services
  07.02.17 Adult Foster Care
  07.02.18 Respite Care Services
  07.02.19 Certified Adult Residential Environment (CARE) Program
  07.02.21 Treatment Foster Care
  07.02.22 Family Support Center Program
07.02.25 LDSS Foster Home Requirements
07.02.26 Child Abuse and Neglect Hearings
07.02.27 Maryland Safe Haven Program
07.02.29 Guardianship Assistance Program

Subtitle 03 FAMILY INVESTMENT ADMINISTRATION
07.03.01 Application for Public Assistance
07.03.03 Family Investment Program
07.03.05 Temporary Disability Assistance Program
07.03.06 Mandatory State Supplement for Suplemental Security Income Recipients
07.03.07 Public Assistance to Adults
07.03.08 Emergency Assistance to Families with Children (EAFC)
07.03.10 Administrative Disqualification Hearings – Food Stamp and Family Investment Programs
07.03.14 Correction of Payment Irregularities
07.03.16 Refugee Cash Assistance
07.03.17 Food Supplement Program
07.03.20 Burial Assistance Program
07.03.21 Maryland Energy Assistance Program
07.03.22 Electrical Universal Service Program
07.03.23 Refugee Resettlement Service Program
07.03.24 Citizenship Promotion Program

Subtitle 05 Social Services Administration Private Child Placement Agencies
07.05.01 License for Private Child Placement Agencies
07.05.02 Private Foster Care
07.05.03 Private Adoption
07.05.04 Private Independent Living Program

Subtitle 07 CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION
07.07.01 Child Support Enforcement – Definitions
07.07.02 General Information
07.07.03 Location of Parents
07.07.04 Establishment of Paternity
07.07.05 Establishment of Support Obligation
07.07.06 Enforcement of Support Obligation
07.07.07 Collection and Distribution of Support
07.07.09 Federal Income Tax Refund Offset Program
07.07.10 Lottery Intercept Program
07.07.11 Child Support Enforcement Incentives
07.07.12 Reporting to Consumer Reporting Agencies
07.07.13 Voluntary Paternity Acknowledgement Program
07.07.15 Driver’s License Suspension Program
07.07.17 Passport Denial and Revocation Program
07.07.18 Administrative Offset Program
07.07.19 Administrative Earnings Withholding
07.07.20 Administrative Enforcement of Medical Support
07.07.21 Administrative Garnishment of Financial Accounts

Pursuant to the Maryland State Department of Human Resources (DHR) Work Plan submitted to and approved by the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review, DHR will evaluate the need to retain, amend, or repeal any provision of these regulations based on whether they:

- Continue to be necessary for the public interest
- Continue to be supported by statutory authority and judicial opinion
- Are obsolete or other appropriate for amendment or repeal
- Are effective in accomplishing their intended purposes

The Maryland State Department of Human Resources would like to provide interested parties with an opportunity to participate in the review and evaluation process by submitting comments on these regulations. The comments may address any concerns about the regulations. If the comments include suggested changes to the regulations, please be as specific as possible and provide language for the suggested changes.

Comments should be directed to Andrea Shuck, Regulations Coordinator, Department of Human Resources, 311 W. Saratoga Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201-3500, by fax to 410-333-0637, or by email to andrea.shuck@maryland.gov. Comments must be received by June 16, 2014.