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RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN ADMINISTRATIVE RULE -290-2-27-.01

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please find enclosed a copy of proposed Administrative Rule 290-2-27-.01 ("Definitions"), within Rules Chapter 290-2-27, entitled "Rules and Regulations for Special Needs Children." The Board of Human Resources is considering formally adopting this Rule in lieu of the current Rule of the same number and title. A synopsis of the proposed changes from the current Rule is also enclosed. An electronic version of the Rules text may be found on the agency's web site at <http://dfcs.dhr.georgia.gov/portal/site/DHR-DFCS/menuitem.5d32235bb09bde9a50c8798dd03036a0/?vgnextoid=036a2b48d9a4ff00VgnVCM100000bf01010aRCRD>.

Questions concerning these changes should be directed to Mr. Bobby Cagle, Family Services Director, at telephone number (404) 657-3485.

Written comments and other written materials regarding the rules should be sent to Marion W. Cornett, Jr., Administrative Hearing Officer, at the above mailing address or by e-mail to mwcornett@dhr.state.ga.us.

The Department solicits your comments, data or argument for or against this proposed action. Your comments may be made in writing by mail or other delivery to the undersigned Hearing Officer within thirty (30) days of the above notice date, or orally at a public hearing starting at 10:00 AM on Thursday, June 26, 2008, in the DHR Board Room, 2 Peachtree Street, NW, Suite 29-250, Atlanta, Georgia. **Please be assured that comments made by either method will be given equal consideration.**

All comments received will be summarized in a report to the Board which will consider final adoption of these proposed Rules at its regular meeting starting at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 16, 2008, in the Board Room, Suite 29-250, 2 Peachtree Street, NW, Atlanta, Georgia.

If due to a disability you need this notice in an alternate format or if you plan to offer oral comment and will need auxiliary aids or services, please call the undersigned Hearing Officer as soon as possible but no later than ten (10) days before the above oral comment date.

This Notice is issued pursuant to O.C.G.A. §§ 50-13-4 and 49-5-8(a)(7)(G).

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Administrative Hearing Officer
Tel. (404) 656-4421 (Procedural questions only)