NOTICE OF RULE MAKING

Arkansas Department of Human Services Policies and Procedures Manual

Pursuant to U.S. Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1981, Ark. Code Ann. Sec. 25-10-101 et seq., Act 218 of 1983, and Act 348 of 1985, the Chief Fiscal and Administrative Officer, Department of Human Services (DHS), is proposing a revision to DHS Policy 1078, Americans with Disabilities Act.

These revisions represent a complete overhaul of DHS Policy 1078, the purpose of which is to insure that a Qualified Person with a Disability will not be excluded from participating in any program or be denied benefits of any program or be subjected to discrimination under any program, service, activity or employment opportunity in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. The revisions simplify the DHS policy and revise the ADA complaint process.

Policy 1078 will be effective January 11, 2010.

Copies of the rule may be obtained by writing to the Office of Finance and Administration, P.O. Box 1437, Slot WG3, Little Rock, AR 72203-1437, Attention: Policy and Administrative Program Management. All comments about the proposed revision must be submitted in writing within 30 days of the date appearing below or 30 days following the date of the newspaper notice, whichever is the longer period.

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