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Name of Agency Division of County Operations

Department of Human Services

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Statutory Authority for Promulgating Rules Arkansas Code 20-76-401

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<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency	Legal Notice Published	<u>6-24-00</u>
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<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Reviewed by Legislative Council	<u>7-6-00</u>
	Adopted by State Agency	<u>8-3-00</u>

CERTIFICATION OF AUTHORIZED OFFICER

I Hereby Certify That The Attached Rules Were Adopted
In Compliance with Act 434 of 1967 As Amended.

[Signature]
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682-8375

Phone Number

Director of County Operations

Title

Date

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50000 Local TEA Coalitions

50100 *Conflicts of Interest*

Arkansas Code Ann. §20-76-108, as amended by Section 9(a)(4) of Arkansas Act 1567 of 1999, addresses potential conflicts of interest by Board members. It specifically prohibits any member of the Local TEA Coalition Board from voting on any matter regarding the provision of services which would provide a direct financial benefit to the member, his or her immediate family, or employer. It also specifies that local TEA Coalition Boards shall not engage in any activities which would constitute a conflict of interest under any federal, state, or municipal law.

To ensure that local TEA Coalition activities are operated in compliance with this prohibition against conflicts of interest, the following policy is established.

- No member of the decision-making body for TEA funds shall vote on a matter under consideration by that body regarding the provision of services by the member that would provide direct financial benefit to the member or the immediate family of the member, or an organization that employs the member.
- The local TEA Coalition fiscal agent may not be a service provider paid by the Coalition.
- The Coalition's fiscal agent may not serve as the Chairperson of the decision-making body for TEA funds.
- The Chair of the decision-making body for TEA funds may not be a service provider paid by the Coalition nor the Coalition's fiscal agent.

The intent of this policy is to prevent any real or perceived conflicts of interest among fiscal agents and the local decision-making bodies and the provision of services contracted for by the TEA coalitions. In addition to the above restrictions, any other potential conflicts of interest are to be avoided.

DEPARTMENT of Human Services

DIVISION of County Operations

PERSON COMPLETING THIS STATEMENT Sandra Miller, Assistant Director

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FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

To comply with Act 884 of 1995, please complete the following Financial Impact Statement and file with the questionnaire and proposed rules.

SHORT TITLE OF THIS RULE - TEA 50000-50100 - Local TEA Coalitions- Conflict of Interests

1. Does this proposed, amended, or repealed rule or regulation have a financial impact? Yes No X _

We do not anticipate any financial impact.

2. If you believe that the development of a financial impact statement is so speculative as to be cost prohibited, please explain.
3. If the purpose of this rule or regulation is to implement a federal rule or regulation, please give the incremental cost for implementing the regulation.

<u>2000-2001 Fiscal Year</u>	<u>2001-2002 Fiscal Year</u>
Implementation Costs Only	
General Revenue	General Revenue
Federal Funds	Federal Funds
Cash Funds	Cash Funds
Special Revenue	Special Revenue
Other	Other
Total	Total

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4. What is the total estimated cost by fiscal year to any party subject to the proposed, amended, or repealed rule or regulation?

2000-2001 Fiscal Year

2001-2002 Fiscal Year

5. What is the total estimated cost by fiscal year to the agency to implement this regulation?
- None

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RULEMAKING

Pursuant to Arkansas Code 20-76-401 (Arkansas Personal Responsibility and Public Assistance Reform Act) as amended by Arkansas Act 1567 of 1999, the Director, Division of County Operations issues proposed policy establishing specific conflict of interest policy to which Local TEA Coalitions must adhere.

Copies of the proposed policy may

be obtained by writing the Division of County Operations, P.O. Box 1437, Slot 1220, Little Rock, AR 72203. Attention: Office of Program Planning & Development. All comments must be submitted in writing to the address indicated above no later than 30 days from the date of this notice.

If you need this material in a different format, such as large print, contact our Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator at 682-8920 (voice) or 682-8933 (TDD).

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Ruth Whitney

Director

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