## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND REGULATIONS

In accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of section 4-168 of the Connecticut General Statutes, notice is hereby given that the Commissioner of Social Services, pursuant to subsection (m) of section 17b-179 of the Connecticut General Statutes, intends to amend section 17b-179(a)-1 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, to add section 17b-179(*l*)-1 to the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, and to repeal section 17b-179(a)-2 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

**Statement of Purpose:** (A) The purpose of the regulations is to update the definitions in section 17b-179(a)-1 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies as necessary and to implement subsection (*l*) of section 17b-179 of the Connecticut General Statutes by setting forth the policies and procedures for publishing the names, residential addresses and amounts of the delinquent child support owed for the one hundred delinquent child support obligors having the highest delinquent child support obligations.

- (B) The main provisions of the regulation include, but are not limited to, updating definitions as necessary and explaining how the Department of Social Services' Bureau of Child Support Enforcement (BCSE) will (1) develop a list of the one hundred delinquent child support obligors with the highest delinquent child support obligations; (2) notify the custodial parties associated with the delinquent child support obligors of the Department's intent to publish such list and provide the custodial parties with an opportunity to object; (3) notify the delinquent child support obligors of the Department's intent to publish their information and provide an opportunity for the delinquent child support obligors to contest such publication; (4) provide a fair hearing for delinquent child support obligors who request such; and (5) publish and update the names, residential addresses and amounts of the delinquent child support owed for the one hundred delinquent child support obligors having the highest delinquent child support obligations.
- (C) The legal effect of the regulation is to establish the Department's policies and procedures regarding the publication of the names, residential addresses and amounts of the delinquent child support owed for the one hundred delinquent child support obligors having the highest delinquent child support obligations.

A copy of the complete text of this regulation is available on the Department of Social Services' website at <a href="http://www.ct.gov/dss">http://www.ct.gov/dss</a> by selecting "Publications," then "Policies and Regulations," then "Notices of Intent, Operational Policies, and Proposed Regulations." Copies of the proposed regulation, as well as the small business impact and regulatory flexibility analysis, may also be obtained at no cost by request to the Office of Legal Counsel, Regulations and Administrative Hearings, Department of Social Services, 55 Farmington Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut 06105; email: joseph.smiga@ct.gov.

All written comments, questions, and concerns regarding this regulation may be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice to the Department of Social

Services, Office of Legal Counsel, Regulations & Administrative Hearings, 55 Farmington Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut, 06105. Attention: Brenda Parrella, Director. A hearing will be scheduled on the proposed regulation if requested by fifteen persons, by a governmental subdivision of an agency or by an association having not less than fifteen members, if notice of the request is received by the Department within fourteen days after the date of publication of this notice.

When submitting correspondence, please refer to DSS Regulation # 14-09.