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The Honorable Fred H. Mills, Jr. Chairman, Senate Committee on Health and Welfare

Via Email: apa.s-h&w@legis.la.gov

The Honorable Larry Bagley

Chairman, House Committee on Health and Welfare

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RE: Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) Rulemaking

The Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) hereby announces its plan to proceed with rulemaking by finalizing the Notice of Intent titled, "TANF Star Academy Program" that was promulgated and published on page 348 of the February 2023 Louisiana Register. Copies of the notice and fiscal statement were provided to you on, or about, February 10, 2023.

The proposed rule will adopt LAC 67:III, Subpart 15 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Initiatives, Chapter 55 TANF Initiatives, Section 5532 Star Academy Program.

DCFS held a public hearing on March 28, 2023, and no comments were received on the proposal. At this time, the department intends to submit the Final Rule to the Office of State Register for publication in the May 2023 issue of the *Louisiana Register*. This Rule is effective June 1, 2023.

Please contact me at (225) 400-3311 if the department may be of any assistance to you concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Ashley Sias

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cc: The Honorable Patrick P. Cortez, President, Louisiana Senate Office of the State Register

