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NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION AND PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED CREATION OF GA. COMP. R & REGS. 565-1-.01, ENTITLED FUND ADMINISTRATION PERTAINING TO THE SAFE HARBOR FOR SEXUALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN COMMISSION FUND

To All Interested Persons and Parties:

The Georgia Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Commission (the "Commission") proposes the creation of Rule 565-1-.01 of the Rules of the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund, entitled "Fund Administration." The Department will be accepting written comments regarding the proposed amendment from April 16, 2021, through May 15, 2021.

This notice, together with a copy of the proposed rule and a synopsis of the proposed rule, is being mailed to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on a mailing list.

A copy of this notice, a copy of the proposed amendment, and a synopsis of the proposed amendment may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Division of Family and Children Services, Office of General Counsel at the following address:

Office of General Counsel Georgia Department of Family and Children Services 2 Peachtree Street NW, 19th Floor Atlanta, Georgia 30303

These documents will also be available for review on the Georgia Safe Harbor Commission webpage at: <u>https://dfcs.georgia.gov/about-us/safe-harbor-commission</u>.

A public hearing is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. on May 7th, 2021, via teleconference to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed amendment. Access information for the hearing is: 1-470-344-9228, conference ID 455900465. At the public hearing anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for the official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to 5 minutes per person. Additional comments should be presented in writing. Written comments are welcome. To ensure

their consideration, written comments must be received by the Commission on or before May 18, 2021. Written comments should be addressed to:

Chris Hempfling Deputy Division Director and General Counsel Georgia Division of Family and Children Services 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Suite 19-240 Atlanta, Georgia 30303

The proposed rule will be considered for final approval by the Commission at its meeting scheduled to begin at 3:00 p.m. on May 19, 2021, location to be determined. Up-to-date meeting schedule information will be posted at https://dfcs.georgia.gov/about-us/safe-harbor-commission.

Comment Period and Additional Information:

The Commission will be accepting written comments regarding the proposed amendment from April 16, 2021, through May18, 2021. Please submit written comments to:

Chris Hempfling Deputy Division Director and General Counsel Georgia Division of Family and Children Services 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Suite 19-240 Atlanta, Georgia 30303 404-657-5138

Interested persons may call or submit a written request to obtain a copy of the proposed rule. A copy of the synopsis and the proposed rule may be downloaded from the Georgia Safe Harbor Commission at: <u>https://dfcs.georgia.gov/about-us/safe-harbor-commission</u>.

This notice is given in compliance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.