

# **The Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Commission Fund**

## **PROPOSED RULE**

### **Chapter 565-1 Funding Guidance**

#### **Rule 565-1-.01 Fund Administration**

- (1) Under Ga. Code Ann §§ 15-21-200 – 15-21-209, the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission (“the Commission”) is authorized to disburse available money from the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund (“the fund”), after appropriation thereof, for purposes of providing care, rehabilitative services, residential housing, health services, and social services, including establishing safe houses, to sexually exploited children and to a person, entity, or program eligible pursuant to criteria to be set by the Commission.
- (2) The Commission shall also consider disbursement of available appropriated money from the fund to a person, entity, or program devoted to awareness and prevention of becoming a sexually exploited child.
- (3) The Commission may also authorize the disbursement of fund money for the actual and necessary operating expenses that the Commission incurs in performing its duties; provided, however, that such disbursements shall be kept at a minimum in furtherance of the primary purpose of the fund, which is to disburse money to provide care and rehabilitative and social services for sexually exploited children.
- (4) Funds received by the Commission must be deposited, accounted for, and disbursed in the same manner as that of the funds of this state but will not be required to be deposited in and appropriated from the state treasury.