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OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALASKA

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dana Benfield & Amanda Sizemore - Department of Revenue

FROM: April Simpson - Office of the Lieutenant Governor

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DATE: August 16, 2022

RE: Filed Permanent Regulations: Division of Child Support Services

Department of Revenue regulations re: Child Supoort Services Division (15 AAC

125.118(a); 15 AAC 125.327; 15 AAC 125.335(e); 15 AAC 125.480(e))

Attorney General File: 2021200334

Regulation Filed: 8/16/2022

Effective Date: 9/15/2022

Print: 243, October 2022

cc with enclosures: Colleen Bailey, Department of Law

Judy Herndon, LexisNexis

ORDER ADOPTING CHANGES TO REGULATIONS OF DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

The attached three pages of regulations, dealing with how to send requests for administrative review, requests for review of support orders, and extended visitation credit, are adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Child Support Services Division adopts under the authority of AS 25.27.020, AS 25.27.045, AS 25.27.160, AS 25.27.170, AS 25.27.190, AS 25.27.193, AS 25.27.200 and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

Although no public comments were received, the Child Support Services Division paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

Date: August 4, 2022

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Carol Beecher Digitally signed by Carol Beecher Date: 2022.08.04 12:39:54 -08'00'

Carol Beecher, Director Child Support Services Division

FILING CERTIFICATION

Kevin Meyer, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on

Avgust 16, 2027, at 3.57 p.m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 - 44.62.120.

Lieutenant Governor

Effective: September 5, 2022

Register: 243 October 2022

FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, KEVIN MEYER, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, designate the following state employees to perform the Administrative Procedures Act filing functions of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor:

Josh Applebee, Chief of Staff Kady Levale, Notary Administrator April Simpson, Regulations and Initiatives Specialist

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed the Seal of the State of Alaska, in Juneau, on December 11th, 2018.

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KEVIN MEYER LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR Register 243, 4hber 2022

REVENUE

15 AAC 125.118(a) is amended to read:

(a) A person served with a notice and finding of financial responsibility or with a copy of a notice and finding of financial responsibility setting a support obligation may request an administrative review of the notice and finding. The person making the request shall make it in writing, and shall send the request to the agency by **first class** [CERTIFIED] mail **or electronic means** [, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED]. The request must be postmarked or received by the agency within 30 days after service of the notice and finding of financial responsibility. The request must state the specific reasons for the request for administrative review and be accompanied by the documentation upon which the person requesting the administrative review intends to rely. If a request for administrative review does not fully comply with the requirements of this subsection, the agency may return the request unprocessed or accept a request for administrative review that substantially complies with the requirements of this subsection.

(Eff. 10/1/98, Register 147; am 2/16/2013, Register 205; am 9/15/2022, Register 243)

Authority:

AS 25.27.020

AS 25.27.160

AS 25.27.170

15 AAC 125.327(d) is amended to read:

(d) If the support order was issued by or registered in a court of this state, the agency will provide the parents with the address of the court with authority to modify the court order within 15 days [PROCEED WITH THE REVIEW UNDER THIS SECTION].

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15 AAC 125.327(e) is repealed:

(e) Repealed 9 /15 /2022.

15 AAC 125.327(f) is repealed:

(f) Repealed 9 / 15/202.

(Eff. 3/20/2016, Register 217; am 9 / 15/202, Register 243)

Authority:

AS 25.27.020

AS 25.27.190

AS 25.27.193

AS 25.27.045

15 AAC 125.335(e) is amended to read:

(e) If the agency does not forward the file to the Department of Law as provided in (d) of this section, the agency will proceed under 15 AAC 125.327(d) [15 AAC 125.327(d) - (f)]. (Eff. 10/1/98, Register 147; am 4/1/2005, Register 173; am 2/16/2013, Register 205; am 3/20/2016, Register 217; am 9 /15/222, Register 243)

Authority:

AS 25.27.020

AS 25.27.190

AS 25.27.193

AS 25.27.045

15 AAC 125.480(e) is amended to read:

(e) In calculating the amount of the extended visitation credit, the agency will apply the percentage or dollar amount specified in the support order for the extended visitation credit. [IF A PERCENTAGE OR DOLLAR AMOUNT IS NOT SPECIFIED IN THE SUPPORT ORDER, THE AGENCY WILL APPLY A CREDIT OF 50 PERCENT OF THE MONTHLY SUPPORT

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OBLIGATION.]

(Eff. 6/15/2001, Register 158; am 9/15/2022, Register 243)

Authority: AS 25.27.020 AS 25.27.200

MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska

Department of Law

The Honorable Kevin Meyer Lieutenant Governor

Date: August 5, 2022

File No.: 2021200334

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regulations re: 15 AAC 125.118(a);

15 AAC 125.327; 15 AAC

125.335(e); 15 AAC 125.480(e))

Child Support Services Division

The Department of Law has reviewed the attached regulations of the Department of Revenue, Child Support Services Division against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act. Based upon our review, we find no legal problems. This memorandum constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the attached regulations.

The regulations were adopted by the Child Support Services Division after the close of the public comment period. They address requests for administrative review, requests for review of child support orders, and extended visitation credit, so that division clients may use modern technology to get information sooner. Another change removes the credit that the agency applies if no percentage or dollar amount is specified in the child support order, to reflect that Alaska. Rule of Civil Procedure 90.3(a)(3) requires the support order to specify the amount of a visitation credit.

The February 20, 2022 public notice and the August 4, 2022 adoption order both state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.195 is not required.

RCP:scw

CC:

Dana Benfield

Amanda Sizemore