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Comments

[<u>NOTE</u>: All citations to "Manual" in the comments below are to the <u>Administrative Rules Procedures Manual</u>, prepared by the Revisor of Statutes Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated January 2005.]

2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code

a. Acronyms must be defined and used consistently. In s. HFS 1.065(1) (b), the term "children's long-term support program" is used; in s. HFS 1.065(3) (d), the acronym "CLTS" is used. The use of the acronym should be deleted or the acronym should be defined in s. HFS 1.065.

b. Check the syntax in the list of items considered by a county administrative agency in determining the parental payment limits in s. HFS 1.065 (3). Specifically, in s. HFS 1.065 (3) (g), (h), and (i), the paragraphs should begin with verbs.

5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language

a. In the statement of statutory authority, the notation "s." should be deleted and the comma following "46.985" should be deleted. Also, in the statement of explanation of agency authority, the comma following "46.985" should be deleted.

b. In the third paragraph of the plain language analysis, the comma following "s. HFS 65.05 (7)" should be deleted.

c. In the summary of factual data and analytical methodologies, the comma following the phrase "family support program" should be deleted.

d. In s. HFS 1.01 (2) (j), either the word "under" should be inserted before the reference "s. HFS 1.065" or the second occurrence of the notation "s." should be deleted.

- e. In s. HFS 1.065 (1) (b), the word "of" should be inserted after the word "regardless."
- f. In s. HFS 1.065 (2), the defined terms should not be italicized.

g. Section HFS 1.065 (3) (a) requires the county administrative agency to determine the annual parental income. The term "income" should be defined, as is done in s. HFS 1.03 (11) (b) 1., so that participants can be aware of the items included in income.

h. In s. HFS 1.065 (3) (b) 2., the word "schedule" should not be capitalized.