Section I Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Child Support Program

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES: 12E-1.015 Reciprocity Requests

12E-1.037 Notification to Withhold Support from

Reemployment Assistance

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed repeal of Rule 12E-1.015, F.A.C. (Reciprocity Requests), is to remove a rule that implements a statute that no longer exists and is no longer necessary. The purpose of proposed Rule 12E-1.037, F.A.C. (Notification to Withhold Support from Reemployment Assistance), is to clarify the percentage of reemployment assistance withheld for child support reported to the Florida Department of Commerce and that the amount of child support withheld is not affected when a parent owing child support files for bankruptcy. The proposed amendment reflects that the Department limits the reemployment assistance withholding percentage reported to no more than 40 percent per support order or a total of 50 percent of a parent's reemployment assistance and that the Department no longer provides parents a record of reemployment assistance withholding collections. The proposed amendments also reflect the agency name change from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity to the Florida Department of Commerce.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Child support services in international cases and cases where the parent who owes support and receives reemployment assistance files bankruptcy.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 409.2557 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 409.2557, 443.051 FS.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE NOTICED IN THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Bobby York, Child Support Program, Department of Revenue, 2450 Shumard Oak Blvd., Suite 2-4466, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0184, telephone: (850)617-8037, email Bobby.York@floridarevenue.com.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE FROM THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED ABOVE.

