I. DEPARTMENT

Human Services Department

II. SUBJECT

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) State Plan

III. PROGRAMS AFFECTED

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

IV. ACTION

Proposed State Plan

V. BACKGROUND

The Human Services Department is required by Federal Law to file a State Plan that describes how the Department will administer the New Mexico’s Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). The State Plan must be submitted annually to the United States Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Administration for Children and Families (ACF). The Department is required to offer a 30-day comment period for the LIHEAP State Plan, which includes weatherization, prior to submittal.

VI. PROPOSED STATE PLAN

A copy of the proposed LIHEAP State Plan is available in written format upon request. Please call the Income Support Division at 1-888-523-0051 or 1-505-827-7258 to request a copy. You may also send a request to:

Human Services Department
Income Support Division
Attn: Work and Family Support Bureau/ LIHEAP
P.O. Box 2348
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2348
The proposed State Plan is also available on and can be printed from the Department’s website at:

http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/LookingForInformation/income-support-division-plans-and-reports.aspx

VII. EFFECTIVE DATE

October 1, 2016

VIII. PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing to receive testimony on the proposed LIHEAP State Plan will be held on July 21, 2016, at 10:00 AM. The hearing will be held in the Income Support Division Conference room, located on the first floor of Pollon Plaza at 2009 S. Pacheco St., Santa Fe, NM 87505. Parking accessible for persons with physical impairments is available.

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IX. ADDRESS

Interested persons may address written or recorded comments to:

Human Services Department
P.O. Box 2348  Pollon Plaza
Santa Fe, NM  87504-2348

Interested persons may also address comments via electronic mail to:
HSD-isdrules@state.nm.us

VII. PUBLICATION

Publication of these regulations approved on May 26, 2014 by:

BRENT EARNEST, SECRETARY
HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT