

## STATE OF CALIFORNIA—HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

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REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

One or More Counties

[ ] State Law Change

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[ ] Court Order

[ ] Federal Law or Regulation Change

[ ] Clarification Requested by

July 23, 2009

ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-56-09

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

ALL COUNTY WELFARE-TO-WORK COORDINATORS

ALL CalWORKs PROGRAM SPECIALISTS

ALL COUNTY REFUGEE PROGRAM COORDINATORS ALL COUNTY CONSORTIUM PROJECT MANAGERS

SUBJECT: FINAL REPORT TO LEGISLATURE ON ASSEMBLY BILL 1078 – EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT, STAKEHOLDER WORKGROUP PROPOSALS, JUNE 2009

The purpose of this letter is to transmit to you the final report on Assembly Bill (AB) 1078, (Chapter 622, Statutes of 2007) regarding the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). In accordance with AB 1078, CDSS prepared the Report to the Legislature containing legislative and administrative options suggested by stakeholder workgroup attendees to carry out the intent of AB 1078. The report was submitted to the Legislature on June 22, 2009 and is available electronically at the following location: <a href="http://www.cdss.ca.gov/cdssweb/entres/pdf/AB1078LegReport.pdf">http://www.cdss.ca.gov/cdssweb/entres/pdf/AB1078LegReport.pdf</a>

AB 1078 amends the Welfare and Institutions Code relating to the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) program to maximize the ability of recipients to benefit from the federal EITC by enacting changes in CalWORKs asset regulations, re-structuring Welfare-to-Work activities to increase eligibility for the EITC, and increasing informing activities. The bill required CDSS to convene a stakeholder workgroup meeting of subject matter experts to identify activities that can be accomplished legislatively and administratively to help CalWORKs clients utilize the EITC to the fullest extend allowable by law. This workgroup convened on September 3, 2008.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the report, please contact your CalWORKs Eligibility or Employment Bureau county consultant. You may also call our main CalWORKs Eligibility program number at (916) 654-1322, or the Employment Bureau at (916) 654-2137.

Sincerely,

## Original Document Signed By:

KÄREN DICKERSON, Chief Employment and Eligibility Branch