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FSD LETTER NO. 78-22

ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 78-36

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL TITLE IV-D AGENCIES
ALL DISTRICT ATTORNEYS

SUBJECT: REGULATIONS RECENTLY FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE

REFERENCE: Sections 40-107.1, 40-131.3L and 43-107.1

Attached for your information is an advance copy of regulations recently signed by the Director and filed with Secretary of State on August 23, 1978. These regulations are effective September 1, 1978. Since these regulations were filed on an emergency basis, they will be taken to public hearing within 120 days in accordance with Government Code Section 11422.1(a). Manual pages incorporating these changes will be issued in the near future.

These regulations require that applicants and recipients be provided with written notice of their right to claim good cause as a part of the child support cooperation requirements. Existing regulations require that the County Welfare Departments make an independent verification of any allegation of noncooperation.

Also attached is a copy of the Temp 1237, Notice of Right to Claim Good Cause. The Temp 1237 is a required form and must be provided to applicants and recipients as a supplement to the CA 2 instruction page sections dealing with child support and fair hearing information. The notice has been worded in a way that can be understood by applicants and recipients. The language of the notice does not constitute a change in regulatory language regarding the circumstances under which good cause may exist as stated in EAS 43-107.3.

Advance copies of the form are being sent to you under separate cover. Regular supplies of the form will be available by September 11, 1978. You will be informed of their availability via the GEN 127 procedure.

If you have any questions regarding the regulations or form, please contact your AFDC management consultant at (916) 445-4458.



If you have any questions regarding the impact of these regulations on the child support program, please contact your county consultant in the Child Support Operations Bureau at (916) 322-6384.

Sincerely,

KYLE S. McKINSEY Deputy Director

Attachment

cc: CWDA

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