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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I- 86-82

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: HOME EXEMPTION FOR SEASONAL WORKERS

REFERENCE: EAS 42-213.3, 42-217.1, and 42-403.12

A number of counties have asked whether property in another state can be considered the exempt home for a seasonal worker receiving AFDC in California.

The Interpretation following EAS 42-217.1 states that property continues to be considered the home during temporary absence for reasons such as illness, seasonal employment, visits, extreme climatic conditions, etc.

Therefore, the home in another state of a seasonal worker who meets the residency requirements under EAS 42-403.12 can be considered the home that is excluded from property evaluation per EAS 42-213.3 as long as the following requirements are met:

- the absence is for temporary employment in California,
- the applicant/recipient intends to return to the home when the temporary employment ends,
- the applicant/recipient apparently will be able to return to the home in the foreseeable future.

In addition only one exemption of this type is permitted. For example, if the applicant has a home in another state and meets the conditions above, the mobile home he/she is living in in California cannot also be the excluded home. The mobile home would be subject to the \$1000 property limit in EAS 42-207.1.

If you have any questions regarding this, please contact your AFDC Management Consultant at (916) 445-4458.

Sincerely,

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cc: CWDA

