



**Office of Children
and Family Services**

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Governor

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Acting Commissioner

February 20, 2024

The Honorable Andrea Stewart-Cousins
President Pro Tempore and Majority Leader
New York State Senate
Legislative Office Building, Room 907
Albany, NY 12247

The Honorable Carl E. Heastie
Speaker of the Assembly
New York State Assembly
Legislative Office Building, Room 932
Albany, NY 12248

Dear Majority Leader Stewart-Cousins and Speaker Heastie:

Pursuant to section 101-a of the Executive Law and Article Two of the State Administrative Procedure Act, notice is hereby given of the filing of a Notice of Emergency Adoption and Revised Rulemaking amending Parts 404 and 415 of Title 18 NYCRR.

These regulations are proposed pursuant to the provisions of sections 20, 34, 410, 410-u, 410-w and 401-x of the social services law under which the Commissioner of OCFS may promulgate regulations necessary to carry out the purposes of the agency, in accordance with chapter 56 of the Laws of 2023. This is the first reoption of these regulations on an emergency basis. The Notice of Emergency Adoption was filed with the Department of State on February 14, 2024. It will appear in the State Register on February 28, 2024.

Please find enclosed a copy of the Notice of Emergency Adoption and Proposed Rulemaking and the full text of the rule.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nicholas Steinbock-Pratt".

Nicholas Steinbock-Pratt
Division of Legal Affairs

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