

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

The Director, Department of Human Services (DHS), pursuant to the authority set forth in Section 2(f) of the Self-Sufficiency Promotion Amendment Act of 1998, effective April 20, 1999 (D.C. Law 12-241; D.C. Official Code § 4-202.05(b)), and Mayor's Order 99-65, dated April 26, 1999, hereby gives notice of intent to adopt the following amendment to Chapter 58 of Title 29 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR).

This amendment to the rules is required in order to allow DHS to reimburse contractors for work related payments to eligible recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits who obtain and retain unsubsidized employment through DHS, Income Maintenance Administration's (IMA) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Employment Program (TEP). TEP relies on contractors to provide job readiness training and job placement, case management services to address barriers and structured job search assistance. DHS will provide funding to the contractors to enable them to defray significant, discrete customer work-related expenses such as obtaining a medical examination not covered by Medicaid or purchasing uniforms for customers who have a firm job offer.

The Director also gives notice of intent to take final rulemaking action to adopt this proposed rule in not less than thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice in the *D.C. Register*, or upon its approval by the Council of the District of Columbia, pursuant to Section 2 (f) of the Self-Sufficiency Promotion Act of 1998, whichever occurs last.

CHAPTER 58 TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES

5813 WORK PARTICIPATION ALLOWANCE AND INCENTIVE PAYMENTS TO ELIGIBLE TANF RECIPIENTS

Section 5813.4 of Chapter 58 of Title 29 of the DCMR is amended to read as follows:

- 5813.4 A recipient who is participating in a mandatory program may be provided the following allowances:
- (a) An allowance of ten dollars (\$10.00) per day of participation;
 - (b) An allowance for significant, discrete customer work-related expenses such as obtaining medical examinations, which are not covered by Medicaid or the purchase of uniforms for customers who have a firm job offer;
 - (c) The amount authorized under subsection (b) shall not exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) per customer, unless authorized in accordance with subsection (e);
 - (d) The District shall reimburse the Contractor in order to defray the costs incurred in subsection (b); and

- (e) If a unique situation arises in which the two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) is not enough to cover the work related expense, the Contractor shall contact the Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR) for approval to spend above this limit.

Comments on this proposed rulemaking can be made by filing written comments, no later than thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice in the *D.C. Register* to Kate Jesberg, Administrator, Income Maintenance Administration, Department of Human Services, 645 H Street, N.E., Fifth Floor, Washington, D.C. 20002. Copies of this proposed rule may be obtained by writing to the above address.

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TAXICAB COMMISSION
PANEL ON RATES AND RULES**

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

The District of Columbia Taxicab Commission ("Commission"), by its Panel on Rates and Rules, pursuant to the authority set forth under sections 8(b)(1)(D) and 9(b) of the District of Columbia Taxicab Commission Establishment Act of 1985, effective March 25, 1986, (D.C. Law 6-97; D.C. Official Code §§ 50-307(b) (1)(D), and 50-308(b)), hereby gives notice of its proposed rulemaking action taken April 5, 2005, to amend § 507.2 of Chapter 5 of Title 31 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations ("DCMR"). The proposed rulemaking will amend the time requirement to provide a notice of transfer to the Office of Taxicabs from ten (10) days to five (5) working days. Final rulemaking action shall not be taken in less than thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice in the D.C. Register.

Title 31 DCMR, Section 507.2 is amended as follows:

507 TRANSFER OF OWNER OR OPERATOR

507.2 The notice shall be filed on a form provided by the Office within five (5) working days of the owner or operator either leaving or entering the company, association or fleet.

Any person desiring to file written comments on the Panel's proposed rulemaking action must do so not later than thirty (30) days after the publication of this notice in the District of Columbia Register. Comments should be filed with Kimberly A. Lewis, Attorney Advisor and Secretary, District of Columbia Taxicab Commission, 2041 Martin Luther King, Jr., Avenue, S.E., Suite 204, Washington, D.C. 20020. Copies of the proposed rulemaking may be obtained by writing to the above address.