

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

**Department of Children and Family Services
Licensing Section**

Child Welfare Home Certification—Child Placing Agencies
(LAC 67:V. 7316)

The Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) has exercised the emergency provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:962 to adopt LAC 67: V, Subpart 8, Chapter 73, Child Placing Agencies, Section 7316. This Emergency Rule shall be effective February 1, 2024, and shall remain in effect for a period of 180 days.

The department considers emergency action necessary as pursuant to federal law 88 FR 66700, Title IV-E agencies may claim federal reimbursement for an eligible child who is placed in a relative or kinship licensed or approved foster family home when the agency uses different licensing standards for relative or kinship foster family homes.

Title 67

SOCIAL SERVICES

Part V. Child Welfare

Subpart 8. Residential Licensing

Chapter 73. Child Placing Agencies

§7316. DCFS Certified Relative/Kinship Foster Homes

A. Pursuant to federal law 88 FR 66700, Sections 7315.A.1-10, 7515.A.12-14, 7315.B.-C., 7315.E.1.k, 7315.E.4-5, 7315.F.12, 7315.G.1-4, 7315.G.10-15, 7315.N, 7315.P.–R. shall not apply to relative/kinship family homes as defined by child welfare policy and certified by DCFS for foster placement. These homes shall only be required to follow the certification standards detailed in child welfare policy.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 36:477 and R.S. 46:1401 et seq.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Children and Family Services, Licensing Section, LR 50:

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