

	<b>Department of Human Services</b> <b>CHILDREN, ADULTS &amp; FAMILIES</b> CLIENT SERVICES MANUAL I <b>ISSUED BY:</b> Office of Permanency for Children <b>EFFECTIVE DATE:</b> January 1, 2002	<b>NUMBER:</b> I-F.3.2.1 <b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>
		<b>SECTION:</b> I-F.3.2.1
		<b>SUBSECTION:</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b> Termination of Parental Rights		

**TO: All Staff**

**SUMMARY:** SB 419 and HB 3669 changed some Oregon statutes which need to be reflected in the rules.

We have revised these rules to make the recommended changes. We added the list of conduct which may result in a decision to terminate parental rights, rather than simply citing the numbers of the relevant statutes.

Legislative changes include removing requirement that DHS seek joinder of a petition to terminate parental rights and deleting references to the “rebuttable presumption.”

**TRAINING/IMPLEMENTATION:** The Department of Justice is planning to provide some training on SB 419 which will cover these and other changes.

**IMPLEMENTATION FEEDBACK:** Questions regarding the implementation of these rules may be addressed to Kathy Ledesma, Manager, Adoptions Services Unit, (503) 945-5677.

**Supervisors:** After discussing these policy revisions with your unit, sign and date below and return a copy of this transmittal letter to your Child Welfare Program Manager.

Supervisor’s Signature

Date reviewed this policy with my unit:

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