

Secretary of State  
**CERTIFICATE AND ORDER FOR FILING TEMPORARY ADMINISTRATIVE RULES  
and  
STATEMENT OF NEED AND JUSTIFICATION**

I certify that the attached copies are true, full and correct copies of the TEMPORARY Rule(s) adopted on  
March 1, 2017 by the

Department of Human Services, Office of Self-Sufficiency Programs	461
<b>Agency and Division</b>	<b>Chapter Number</b>

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to become effective March 1, 2017 through August 27, 2017.\*

*\*Temporary rules are effective for a maximum of 180 days including the effective date.*

**Rule Caption:** Amending rule relating to monthly income standards used to determine eligibility

**In the Matter of:** Temporary amendment of OAR 461-155-0180

**ADOPT:**

**AMEND:** 461-155-0180

**SUSPEND:**

ORS 409.050, 411.060, 411.070, 411.816, 412.014, 412.049  
Stat. Auth.

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**Other Auth.**

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**Stats. Implemented**

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## Rule Summary

OAR 461-155-0180 about income standards used to determine eligibility in self-sufficiency programs is being amended to update the standards that apply 2017 federal poverty guidelines

starting March 1, 2017.

The rule text showing proposed changes is available at [http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/selfsufficiency/ar\\_temporary.htm](http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/selfsufficiency/ar_temporary.htm).

## Need for the Rules

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OAR 461-155-0180 needs to be amended because the current rule only sets out income standards reflecting the 2016 poverty guidelines. This amendment updates the standards that apply 2017 federal poverty guidelines starting March 1, 2017.

## Documents Relied Upon

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HHS Poverty Guidelines for 2017 available at <https://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines>

## Justification of Temporary Rules

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The Department finds that failure to act promptly by amending OAR 461-155-0180 will result in serious prejudice to the public interest, the Department, and clients of its programs. The Department needs to proceed by temporary rule because the Department is determining eligibility for its clients on a continuous basis and the updated standards will allow more clients to qualify for its programs, which provide essential support for them.

## Income Standards; Not OSIP, OSIPM, QMB

- (1) A Department program may cite this rule if the program uses a monthly income standard based on the federal poverty level or state median income. The standards in this rule are effective as of March 1, ~~2016~~2017.
- (2) A monthly income standard set at 100 percent of the 2016 federal poverty level is set at the following amounts:

Size of Group	Standard
1	\$ 990
2	1,335
3	1,680
4	2,025
5	2,370
6	2,715
7	3,061
8	3,408
9	3,755
10	4,102
+1	+347

- (3) A monthly income standard set at 130 percent of the 2016 federal poverty level is set at the following amounts:

Size of Group	Standard
1	\$1,287
2	1,736
3	2,184
4	2,633
5	3,081
6	3,530
7	3,980
8	4,430
9	4,881
10	5,332
+1	451

- (4) A monthly income standard set at 185 percent of the ~~2016~~2017 federal poverty level is set at the following amounts:

Size of Group	Standard
1	<del>\$1,832</del> <u>860</u>
2	<del>2,470</del> <u>504</u>

3	<del>3,108,149</del>
4	<del>3,747,735</del>
5	<del>4,385,437</del>
6	<del>5,023,082</del>
7	<del>5,663,726</del>
8	<del>6,304,371</del>
9	<del>6,946,015</del>
10	<del>7,588,659</del>
+1	<del>+642,645</del>

- (5) A monthly income standard set at 200 percent of the 2016 federal poverty level is set at the following amounts:

Size of Group	Standard
1	\$1,980
2	2,670
3	3,360
4	4,050
5	4,740
6	5,430
7	6,122
8	6,815
+1	+694

- (6) A monthly income standard set at 250 percent of the ~~2016~~ 2017 federal poverty level is set at the following amounts:

Size of Group	Standard
2	<del>\$3,338,385</del>
3	<del>4,200,255</del>
4	<del>5,063,125</del>
5	<del>5,925,998</del>
6	<del>6,788,868</del>
7	<del>7,653,738</del>
8	<del>8,520,610</del>

- (7) A monthly income standard set at 350 percent of the 2016 federal poverty level is set at the following amounts:

Size of Group	Standard
1	\$3,465
2	4,673
3	5,880
4	7,088
5	8,295

6	9,503
7	10,713
8	11,927
9	13,140
10	14,353
+1	1,214

- (8) A monthly income standard set at 85 percent of the ~~2016-2017~~ state median income is set at the following amounts:

Size of Group	Standard
2	\$ <del>3,386,493</del>
3	<del>4,183,315</del>
4	<del>4,979,137</del>
5	<del>5,776,929</del>
6	<del>6,573,781</del>
7	<del>6,722,935</del>
8	<del>6,871,089</del>

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