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<http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/oos/aru/comment.htm>

8. Deadline for submission of materials in writing or, if practicable for the agency, in the electronic format specified: **Thursday, May 12, 2016**

Fax

E-mail

Other format (specify):

9. Public hearing scheduled for:

Date and Time: **Thursday, May 5, 2016 at 9:30 am**

Place: **DHHS, Brown Bldg., Room 288, 129 Pleasant St., Concord, NH 03301**

10. Fiscal Impact Statement (Prepared by Legislative Budget Assistant)

FIS # **16:054**, dated **04/01/16**

1. Comparison of the costs of the proposed rule(s) to the existing rule(s):

There is no cost when comparing the proposed rules to the existing rules.

2. Cite the Federal mandate. Identify the impact of state funds:

No federal mandate, no impact on state funds.

3. Cost and benefits of the proposed rule(s):

A. To State general or State special funds:

None

B. To State citizens and political subdivisions:

None

C. To Independently owned businesses:

None

11. Statement Relative to Part I, Article 28-a of the N.H. Constitution:

The proposed rules do not create a new program or responsibility, expand or modify an existing program or responsibility, or mandate any fees, duties or expenditures on the political subdivisions of the state, and therefore do not violate Part I, Article 28-a of the N.H. Constitution.

Readopt with amendment He-W 658.02, effective 7-19-08 (Document #9208), cited and to read as follows:

CHAPTER He-W 600 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND ELIGIBILITY FOR MEDICAL CARE

PART He-W 658 STANDARD OF NEED

He-W 658.02 Financial Assistance To Needy Families (FANF) Payment Standard.

(a) The payment standard for Financial Assistance To Needy Families (FANF) financial assistance ~~and categorically needy medical assistance~~ shall:

(1) Be based upon the size of the assistance group (AG); and

(2) Consist of 2 components:

a. The basic maintenance payment allowance (BMPA); and

b. Shelter costs, if incurred, up to the maximum subsidized or unsubsidized shelter payment allowance ~~described defined~~ in (e) below.

(b) The amount of the ~~Financial Assistance To Needy Families FANF-~~ payment standard shall vary according to the size of the AG and the shelter costs, if incurred, and size of the assistance group.

(c) The monthly BMPA amount for the appropriate ~~assistance group AG~~ size shall be as listed in Table 600.10, BMPA, below:

TABLE 600.10, BMPA

Assistance Group <u>(AG)</u> Size	BMPA
1	\$171
2	\$238
3	\$307
4	\$370
5	\$430
6	\$511
7	\$574
8	\$667
9	\$719
10	\$796
11	\$883
12	\$955

(d) For each additional person in an AG size over 12, \$67 shall be added to the monthly BMPA amount as listed in Table 600.10, BMPA, in (c) above.

(e) The shelter payment allowance shall be the actual costs up to a maximum of:

(1) \$293 a month for subsidized shelter; or

(2) \$368 a month for unsubsidized shelter.

(f) The payment standard for a ~~Financial Assistance To Needy Families~~FANF assistance ~~group~~AG shall be:

(1) ~~If no shelter costs are incurred, the basic maintenance payment allowance~~ BMPA for the appropriate groupAG size, ~~if no shelter costs are incurred~~; or

(2) If shelter costs are incurred, the sum of:

a. The ~~basic payment allowance~~-BMPA for the appropriate group-AG size; and

b. Actual shelter costs, up to the maximum subsidized or unsubsidized shelter payment allowance ~~indicated~~-defined in (e) above.

Readopt with amendment He-W 701.01, effective 7-19-08 (Document #9207), cited and to read as follows:

CHAPTER He-W 700 FOOD STAMPS

PART He-W 701 DEFINITIONS

He-W 701.01 "Able bodied adult without dependents (ABAWD)" means an individual who is at least age 18 but younger than age 50 ~~who does not have dependents, without dependents~~, and is subject to special work ~~participation~~-requirements in order to receive food stamp benefits.

APPENDIX

<u>Rule</u>	<u>RSA/ Federal Citation</u>
He-W 658.02	RSA 167:3-c, II; RSA 167:7, II and III; 45 CFR 233.20(a)(2)(i)
He-W 701.01	RSA 161:4-a, IV; 7 CFR 273.24; 7 USC 2015(o)