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John Bel Edwards, Governor
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April 10, 2018

The Honorable John A. Alario
President of the Senate
P. O. Box 94183
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Dear Senator Alario:

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The proposed rule will amend Section 3901 and repeal Section 3903 of LAC 67:V, Subpart 5, Foster Care, Chapter 39 Chafee Foster Care Independence Program (CFCIP) and Young Adult Program. Section 3901 is being amended to include the utilization of the CFCIP grant funds and to eliminate the information regarding the Young Adult Program. Section 3903 is being repealed as the Child Welfare Young Adult Program has been terminated.

At this time, the department intends to submit the Final Rule to the Office of State Register for publication in the May issue of the *Louisiana Register*. This Rule is effective June 1, 2018.

Please contact me at (225) 342-4044 if the department may be of any assistance to you concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Fred H. Mills, Jr., Chairman
Senate Committee on Health and Welfare
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The Honorable Taylor Barras
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Dear Representative Barras:

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