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**AGENCY REPORT TO THE
JOINT COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (JCAR)**

1. Agency Information

Agency name:

Health and Human Services

Division/Bureau/Office:

Economic Stability Administration

Name of person completing this form:

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Name of Department Regulatory Affairs Officer reviewing this form:

Mary Brennan

2. Rule Set Information

MOAHR assigned rule set number:

2024-27 HS

Title of proposed rule set:

Family Independence Program

3. Purpose for the proposed rules and background:

The Family Independence Rules (FIP) rules provide monetary assistance for those who are eligible for this assistance program in the State. The amendment to these rules will give a clear direction for replacing cash assistance benefits that have been fraudulently removed.

4. Summary of proposed rules:

Rule set is being amended to align with the federal government recommendation for each state to change its current replacement process of theft of SDA or FIP benefits from a manual process pending verification of fraud with timely EBT replacements will quickly alleviate the concerns of a family fear of not timely paying obligations due to the theft.

5. List names of newspapers in which the notice of public hearing was published and publication dates:

Oakland Press - published August 28, 2024.

Marquette Mining Journal - published August 28, 2024.

Battle Creek Enquirer - published August 28, 2024.

6. Date of publication of rules and notice of public hearing in Michigan Register:

10/1/2024

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7. Date, time, and location of public hearing:

10/1/2024 01:00 PM at Grand Tower Building Room 1A , 235 S. Grand Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48933

8. Provide the link the agency used to post the regulatory impact statement and cost-benefit analysis on its website:

<https://ARS.apps.lara.state.mi.us/Transaction/RFRTtransaction?TransactionID=1534>

9. List of the name and title of agency representative(s) who attended the public hearing:

Brian Sanborn, Departmental Analyst.
Garilee Janofski, Economic Stability Administration Cash Analyst.

10. Persons submitting comments of support:

None.

11. Persons submitting comments of opposition:

None.

12. Persons submitting other comments:

None.

13. Identify any changes made to the proposed rules based on comments received during the public comment period:

	Name & Organization	Comments made at public hearing	Written Comments	Agency Rationale for Rule Change and Description of Change(s) Made	Rule number & citation changed
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14. Date report completed:

10/14/2024