

EXECUTIVE REORGANIZATION ORDER

E.R.O. No. 2004-4

400.226 Family independence agency renamed to department of human services.

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 vests the executive power of the State of Michigan in the Governor;

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 empowers the Governor to make changes in the organization of the Executive Branch or in the assignment of functions among its units that the Governor considers necessary for efficient administration;

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services was created as a principal department of state government by Section 450 of the Executive Organization Act of 1965, 1965 PA 380, MCL 16.550;

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services was renamed the Family Independence Agency by 1995 PA 223, MCL 400.1;

WHEREAS, the Family Independence Agency is the state's public assistance, child, and family welfare agency focused on protecting children and vulnerable adults, delivering juvenile justice services, and providing support to strengthen families and individuals;

WHEREAS, renaming the Family Independence Agency will more effectively communicate its status as a principal department and its mission focused on the provision of social services for families, children, and other Michigan residents in need;

WHEREAS, it is necessary in the interests of efficient administration and effective government to make changes in the organization of the Executive Branch of state government;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jennifer M. Granholm, Governor of the State of Michigan, by virtue of the power and authority vested in the Governor by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and Michigan law, order:

A. The Family Independence Agency is renamed the Department of Human Services.

B. Any and all statutory references to the Family Independence Agency or the Department of Social Services shall be deemed references to the Department of Human Services.

History: 2004, E.R.O. No. 2004-4, Eff. Mar. 15, 2005

Compiler's Notes: For creation of department of health and human services and abolishment of department of human services, see E.R.O. No. 2015-1, compiled at MCL 400.227.