

RULE

Workforce Commission Rehabilitation Services

Randolph-Sheppard Trust Fund Policy (LAC 67:VII.Chapter 21)

In accordance with the provisions of R.S. 49:953(B) of the Administrative Procedure Act, Louisiana Workforce Commission (LWC), Louisiana Rehabilitation Services (LRS), has revised six Sections of the Randolph-Sheppard trust fund policy, as it relates to the Randolph-Sheppard Program as a result of 2014 Legislation ACT 761. In §2101.B.1, Program Administration, the “Department of Social Services” was removed, “Louisiana Workforce Commission” was added, and in §2101.B.2, the term *advisory* was removed and the balance of the Section was revised to reflect the content in R.S. 23:3044. In §2105, Definitions, the term *agency* replaced “Department of Social Services” and added “Louisiana Workforce Commission, Office of Workforce Development,” the term *board* replaced the word *advisory*, and the term *department* replaced the “Department of Social Services” and added “Louisiana Workforce Commission.” In §2107, Blind Vendors Trust Fund Advisory Board, the term *advisory* was removed from the Section title. In §2107.A, the term *advisory* was removed. In §2107.A.1, “of the Department of Social Services” was removed. In §2111.C, Expenditures, the agency added “with the active participation of the Blind Vendors Trust Fund Board.” In §2111.D, the term *associated* was removed and the term *consistent* was added, and the agency added “with the active participation of the Blind Vendors Trust Fund Board.” In §2113.A, Financial Reports, the agency removed “of the Department of Social Services.” In §2115.C, General Requirements, the agency removed “Department of Social Services” and added “Louisiana Workforce Commission.”

Title 67

SOCIAL SERVICES

Part VII. Rehabilitation Services

Chapter 21. Randolph-Sheppard Trust Fund Policy

§2101. Program Profile

A. Mission. To provide for the enhancement of programs for persons who are licensed and permitted through the Randolph-Sheppard Business Enterprise Program.

B. Program Administration

1. The administration of the fund shall be exercised by Louisiana Workforce Commission, Louisiana Rehabilitation Services.

2. The Blind Vendors Trust Fund Board shall actively participate with the agency in the following: promulgating policies, procedures, standards, rules and regulations; monitoring, evaluating, reviewing the development and quality of services and programs funded through the fund; and developing an annual list of potential vending locations on state, federal, or other property.

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§2105. Definitions

Agency—Louisiana Rehabilitation Services of the Office of Workforce Development within the Louisiana Workforce Commission, which licenses blind vendors.

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Randolph-Sheppard Act—the federal law which enables the Blind Enterprise Program under the authority of 20 U.S.C. 107 et seq.

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§2107. Blind Vendors Trust Fund Board

A. The Blind Vendors Trust Fund Board shall be composed of nine members as follows:

1. the director of Louisiana Rehabilitation Services or his or her designee;

A.2. - E. ...

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§2111. Expenditures

A. - B. ...

C. Income not expended for the primary purpose shall be used for the maintenance and replacement of equipment, the purchase of new equipment, management services, and securing a fair return to vendors, or as provided by state and federal guidelines with the active participation of the Blind Vendors Trust Fund Board.

D. Money in the trust fund from vending machines located on state-owned property or on property leased by the state agency, or on other property shall be distributed for any purpose consistent with the Randolph-Sheppard Program as may be determined by the state licensing agency with the active participation of the Blind Vendors Trust Fund Board.

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§2113. Financial Reports

A. The director of Louisiana Rehabilitation Services or his designee shall arrange for full and accurate financial records to be maintained in compliance with law and shall make a full and complete report to the board annually.

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§2115. General Requirements

A. - B. ...

C. Compliance with State and Federal Laws and Regulations, and Departmental Policies and Procedures. All agencies and staff involved in the Blind Vendors Trust Fund shall comply with all state and federal laws, including the

Louisiana Workforce Commission policies and procedures as well as civil rights rules and regulations, as applicable.

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