

PUBLIC HEARING

May 28, 2015

My name is Gabe McGrew and I am a representative of Louisiana Rehabilitation Services. It is now 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 28, 2015 so we will begin this public meeting.

LRS is revising its **Business Enterprises Program Manual** – replacement of the term “priority” with “extra consideration” when selecting the most qualified managers for vacant facilities/enterprises; and, to establish a time frame for requesting federal arbitration.

LRS proposes to revise two items in Section 519 of its Business Enterprises Program Policy Manual:

Item1: Replaces the term “*priority*” with “*extra consideration*” when selecting displaced licensed managers for vacant facilities/enterprises (allows for selection of the most qualified applicant for vacant facilities); and

Item 2: Clarifies that the request for a federal arbitration panel must be made in writing within 30 calendar days from the date the licensed manager receives written notification of the full evidentiary hearing decision (This establishes a time frame for requesting federal arbitration).

The purpose of this meeting is for LRS to obtain your opinions, view, and concerns regarding these proposed changes. Your comments will be recorded and submitted to the LRS Director for consideration.

Let me emphasize that this is not a question and answer session. As I stated before, this meeting is for you to have the opportunity to voice your views. If you have any comments, please approach the microphone and state your name, the agency you represent, or whether you are a private citizen, and then state your comment.

Gabe McGrew – Does anyone have any comments or concerns?

You may submit written comments to: Mark S. Martin, Director, Louisiana Rehabilitation Services, P. O. Box 91297, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9297. Written comments will be accepted until 4:30 today, May 28, 2015.

Gabe McGrew – It is now 10:00 a.m. Since there are no comments, this meeting is being brought to a close.

Thank you for your attendance.