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HEARING DECISION

Following Petitioner's request for a hearing, this matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and 400.37; 7 CFR 273.15 to 273.18; 42 CFR 431.200 to 431.250; 42 CFR 438.400 to 438.424; 45 CFR 99.1 to 99.33; and 45 CFR 205.10; and Mich Admin Code, R 792.11002. After due notice, a hearing was held by telephone on November 12, 2025. Petitioner is a minor and was represented by their Authorized Hearing Representative (AHR) and mother, [REDACTED] (Mother). The Department of Health and Human Services (Department) was represented by Marcella Towns, Assistance Payments Worker and Hearing Coordinator.

ISSUE

Did the Department properly reduce Petitioner's quarterly State SSI Payment (SSP)?

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Administrative Law Judge, based on the competent, material, and substantial evidence on the whole record, finds as material fact:

1. Respondent is a minor child and receives Retirement, Survivors, and Disability Insurance (RSDI) income of \$ [REDACTED] per month.
2. From at least January 1, 2025 to June 30, 2025, Petitioner was an ongoing recipient of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) of \$ [REDACTED] per month and quarterly SSPs.
3. In July 2025, Petitioner did not receive a SSI payment.
4. On August 2, 2025, Petitioner received a SSI payment of \$ [REDACTED] for the months of July and August 2025.
5. On August 19, 2025, the Department sent Petitioner a Notice of State SSI Payment Change, notifying Petitioner that his SSP would be reduced effective August 19, 2025, because the Social Security Administration (SSA) reported he did not receive a regular first of the month SSI payment. (Exhibit A, pp. 6 – 7).
6. On September 18, 2025, the Department received a request for hearing from Mother, disputing the reduction of Petitioner's SSP. (Exhibit A, pp. 3 – 4).

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Department policies are contained in the Department of Health and Human Services Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), Department of Health and Human Services Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM), Department of Health and Human Services Reference Tables Manual (RFT), and Department of Health and Human Services Emergency Relief Manual (ERM).

The State SSI Payments (SSP) program is established by 20 CFR 416.2001-.2099 and the Social Security Act, 42 USC 1382e. The Department administers the program pursuant to MCL 400.10.

Mother requested a hearing to dispute the reduction of Petitioner's SSP. The Department notified Petitioner that his SSP would be reduced effective August 19, 2025, because the SSA reported that he did not receive a regular first of the month SSI payment for one or two months.

SSP is a quarterly payment issued by the Department to eligible SSI recipients and are made for only those months the SSI recipient received a regular first of the month federal SSI benefit; individuals who do not receive SSI are not eligible for SSP. BEM 660 (October 2021), pp. 1 – 2; BAM 600 (July 2025), pp. 31 - 32. SSI payments are shown on the client's State Online Query (SOLQ) report as a recurring payment dated the first of the month. BEM 660, p. 1. SSPs are not issued for retroactive or supplemental federal benefits. BEM 660, p. 1; BAM 600, p. 31.

In this case, the Department testified that it reduced Petitioner's quarterly SSP because the SSA reported that no SSI payment was issued to Petitioner for July 2025. The Department reviewed the SOLQ during the hearing and confirmed Petitioner's SSI payment history from January 1, 2025 through August 2, 2025. The Department testified that the SOLQ did not reflect a SSI payment being issued to Petitioner in July 2025, and reflected that Petitioner was issued \$ [REDACTED] on August 2, 2025.

Mother confirmed that Petitioner did not receive his SSI payment in July 2025 and credibly testified that she contacted SSA regarding Petitioner's July 2025 SSI, that the issue was resolved, and that SSA issued Petitioner's July 2025 SSI with his August 2025 SSI payment. Mother did not dispute that the August SSI payment was issued to Petitioner on August 2, 2025.

In sum, the evidence established that a) SSA did not issue Petitioner his regular first of the month payment for the month of July 2025, and b) the SSI payment issued to Petitioner in August was on the second of the month and included Petitioner's SSI for the months of July and August 2025. Therefore, because SSPs are only issued for each month when the regular SSI payment is issued on the first of that month, and Petitioner did not receive a regular first of the month payment in either July or August

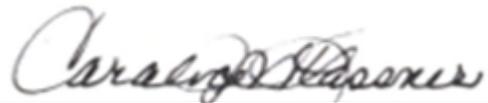
2025, the Department properly reduced Petitioner's SSP for the months of July and August 2025.

It is noted that although the Department testified that Petitioner was approved to receive SSP again effective September 1, 2025 (Exhibit A, p. 10), and there was no evidence that it was not issued, Mother expressed concern regarding whether Petitioner's SSPs would continue. However, because there was no evidence that Petitioner will not receive a quarterly SSP in December 2025 (Reference Schedules Manual (RFS) 106 (January 2025)), and Petitioner's concern in that regard pertained to an event that had not yet occurred, the undersigned is without authority or jurisdiction to make a finding as to that issue. Mother is advised that she may request another hearing on Petitioner's behalf at any such time as Petitioner's SSP is not issued in the future.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based on the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and for the reasons stated on the record, if any, finds that the Department acted in accordance with Department policy when it reduced Petitioner's SSP because he did not receive a regular first of the month SSI payment for July or August 2025.

Accordingly, the Department's decision is **AFFIRMED**.



**CARALYCE M. LASSNER
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE**

APPEAL RIGHTS: Petitioner may appeal this Hearing Decision to the circuit court. Rules for appeals to the circuit court can be found in the Michigan Court Rules (MCR), including MCR 7.101 to MCR 7.123, available at the Michigan Courts website at courts.michigan.gov. The Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules (MOAHR) cannot provide legal advice, but assistance may be available through the State Bar of Michigan at <https://lrs.michbar.org> or Michigan Legal Help at <https://michiganlegalhelp.org>. A copy of the circuit court appeal should be sent to MOAHR. A circuit court appeal may result in a reversal of the Hearing Decision.

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