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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

REMAND DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 11281-14 S.Y.

AGENCY DKT. NO. C055078 (SOMERSET COUNTY BOARD OF SOC. SVCS.)

Petitioner appeals from the Respondent Agency's reduction of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ("SNAP"), f/k/a the Food Stamp Program, benefits. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On September 30, 2014, the Honorable Laura Sanders, Acting Director and Chief Administrative Law Judge ("CALJ"), held a hearing, took testimony and admitted documents. On October 1, 2014, the CALJ issued an Initial Decision which reversed the Agency determination and directed it to re-evaluate the medical deduction and recalculate the SNAP allotment using an appropriate shelter credit.

Neither party submitted exceptions.

As the Director of the Division of Family Development, Department of Human Services, I independently reviewed the record and the Initial Decision and hereby ADOPT the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in the Initial Decision as though set forth herein at length.

Accordingly, this matter is REMANDED to the Agency to re-evaluate the amount of the medical deduction and to recalculate Petitioner's SNAP benefits after giving him the appropriate shelter credit.

OCT 31 2014

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Jeanette Page-Hawkins
Director