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DES Names Leah Landrum Taylor Deputy Assistant Director, Division of Child Support Services *Passion for children highlights selection*

PHOENIX – Director Timothy Jeffries today announced former state Senator Leah Landrum Taylor has been named the new Deputy Assistant Director for the Division of Child Support Services. In this role, she will provide direct oversight to the Child Support Operations and Outreach and Operations Support Administrations.

“We are honored and humbled to have Senator Landrum Taylor join our beautiful colleagues at the Department,” said Director Timothy Jeffries. “Her passion for supporting Arizona’s children is an exceptional fit for our *people first, people always* culture of kindness, excellence and accountability at *Our NEW DES*.”

“I am extremely proud to be a part of *The NEW DES*,” said Leah Landrum Taylor. “It is an honor and privilege to continue serving the State of Arizona to see that our children are well cared for and supported. I look forward to this new venture at DES and the Division of Child Support Services.”

Before coming to DES, Landrum Taylor most recently served as the Special Projects Director for the Arizona Department of Education. She served for 16 years as an elected official for the Arizona State Senate and House of Representatives in District 27 and termed out in January 2015. During her time at the Legislature, she served on the following committees: Education and Commerce, Energy and Military Committees, CPS Oversight and the Governor’s CARE Team.

In addition, she served as the Senate Minority Leader and was a member of various committees including: Economic Development, Public Safety and Human Services; Veterans and Military Affairs; Senate Ethics Committee; Governor’s Child Protective Services Task Force; House Ways and Means and Environment Committees; Adoption and Foster Care, Homelessness and the Governor’s Brown Cloud Summit and Federal Mandates. She currently serves as a member of the Childhelp Arizona State Advisory Board of Directors.

“Senator Landrum Taylor brings with her a wealth of knowledge from her years of dedication to the State and her mission to serve children,” said Mark Darmer, Deputy Director of Programs. “I have no doubt she will serve the Department and Division of Child Support Services extremely well. It is a great honor to have her at DES.”

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