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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

**Division of Elections**

RULE NO.: 1S-2.042      RULE TITLE: Third-Party Voter Registration Organizations

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To conform to statutory changes in Ch. 2021-11, Ch. 2022-73, and Ch. 2023-120, Laws of Florida. SUMMARY: Updates Rule to conform to statutory changes, including providing third-party voter registration organizations a mechanism to avoid fines regarding unauthorized persons collecting or handling voter registration applications.

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:**

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Department used a checklist to conduct an economic analysis and determine if there is an adverse impact or regulatory costs associated with this rule that exceeds the criteria in section 120.541(2)(a), F.S. Based on this information, the department determined there will be no adverse impact to small businesses and the potential regulatory costs of the proposed rule chapter does not exceed any of the criteria established in Section 120.541(2)(a), F.S. Additionally, no interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: Upon completion of the SERC checklist, it was determined that this rule amendment will not require legislative ratification.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 20.10, 97.012(1), (2), 97.0575(4), (6), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 97.012(1), (2), 97.0575, F.S.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW (IF NOT REQUESTED, THIS HEARING WILL NOT BE HELD):

DATE AND TIME: August 15, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.

PLACE: Heritage Hall, R.A. Gray Bldg., 500 S. Bronough St., Tallahassee, FL 32399; or 1-888-585-9008 (conference room 201-297-717).

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Ashley E. Davis at ashley.davis@dos.myflorida.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Ashley E. Davis at ashley.davis@dos.myflorida.com

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

**1S-2.042 Third-Party Voter Registration Organizations.**

(1) Applicability. This rule provides procedures for the regulation of 3PVROs and third-party voter registration activities.

(2) Forms. The following forms are hereby incorporated by reference and available from the Division of Elections, R.A. Gray Building, Room 316, 500 South Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250, by contact at (850)245-6200, or by download from the Division’s webpage at: <https://dos.myflorida.com/elections/forms-publications/forms/forms-incorporated-in-rule/>; <http://election.myflorida.com/forms/index.shtml>:

(a) Form DS-DE 119 (eff. 23 09/2012), (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15805>)

(<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-01866>), entitled “3PVRO Third Party Voter Registration Organization Registration Form.”

(b) Form DS-DE 121 (eff. 23 06/2014), (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15806>)

(<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-00430>), entitled “Form for Complaint Against 3PVRO.” Third-Party Voter Registration Organization.”

(c) Form DS-DE 124 (eff. ~~1/23~~ 06/2014) (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15807>)

(<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-00608>), entitled “~~Supervisors~~ Supervisor of Elections’ Accounting of ~~3PVRO Third Party Voter Registration Organization’s~~ Voter Registration Applications.”

(d) Form DS-DE 126 (eff. ~~1/23~~) (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15804>), entitled “Supervisors of Elections’ Transmittal Form – 3PVRO Noncompliance.”

(e) Form DS-DE 127 (eff. ~~1/23~~) (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15803>), entitled “Non-Felon and U.S. Citizen Declarations.”

(f) Form DS-DE 129 (eff. ~~1/23~~) (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15802>), entitled “3PVRO Voter Registration Application Receipt.”

(3) ~~(2)~~ Definitions. For purposes of Section 97.0575, F.S., the following definitions apply:

(a) “3PVRO” means ~~third-party voter registration organization~~.

(b) ~~(a)~~ “Affiliate organization” of a ~~3PVRO third-party voter registration organization~~ means any person, as defined in Section 1.01(3), F.S., that is associated with the ~~3PVRO third-party voter registration organization~~ as a subordinate, subsidiary, member, branch, chapter, as a central or parent organization, or through direct or indirect ownership or control. Ownership or control means substantial and effective, though not necessarily predominant, ownership or control.

(c) “Collecting or handling,” for purposes of section 97.0575(1)(e)-(f), F.S., means physically exercising custody over voter registration applications containing a voter’s personal information. It does not include distributing blank voter registration applications, supervising the collecting or handling of voter registration applications, assisting a voter who requests assistance to fill out their voter registration application, or facilitating the voter to register electronically through [registertovoteflorida.gov](http://registertovoteflorida.gov).

(d) ~~(b)~~ “Engaging in any voter registration activities” means ~~that the organization is collecting voter registration applications from Florida voter registration applicants.~~

(e) ~~(e)~~ “Force majeure” means any event or occurrence of societal significance beyond the reasonable control and without the fault of the ~~3PVRO third-party voter registration organization~~ which could not have been prevented, avoided, or overcome by the exercise of reasonable care, diligence, or foresight of the ~~3PVRO third-party voter registration organization~~, including, but not limited to, civil disturbances or acts of war; extraordinarily severe weather, such as hurricanes,

floods, or tornadoes; or shortages of food, electric power, or fuel.

(f) ~~(d)~~ “Impossibility of performance” means an actual impossibility or impracticability of compliance as the result of a condition or circumstance which the ~~3PVRO third-party voter registration organization~~ did not create and could not reasonably have anticipated.

(g) ~~(e)~~ “Registration agent” means any individual who is employed by or volunteers for a ~~3PVRO third-party voter registration organization~~ and who collects voter registration applications from Florida voter registration applicants on behalf of the ~~3PVRO organization~~.

(h) “Voter’s personal information,” for purposes of section 97.0575(7), F.S., means a voter’s private information that is not generally available to the public including the voter’s Florida driver license number, Florida identification card number, social security number, or signature. It does not include information contained in a Form DS-DE 129.

(4) ~~(3)~~ Registration and Termination.

(a) Before engaging in any voter registration activities, a ~~3PVRO third-party voter registration organization (hereinafter “organization”)~~ shall complete and file Form DS-DE 119 with the Division by email to [3PVRO@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:3PVRO@dos.myflorida.com) with the form attached in .pdf format. ~~The organization must submit the form as an attachment in pdf format in an email to 3PVRO@dos.myflorida.com or transmit the form to the Division’s facsimile machine at (850)245-6291.~~ An affiliate organization which itself independently engages in separate collection of voter registration applications from Florida voter registration applicants on behalf of the affiliate must file a Form DS-DE 119 even if its affiliated organization has filed a Form DS-DE 119. ~~An organization shall also use Form DS-DE 119 to update or terminate its registration.~~

(b) Upon receipt of a ~~3PVRO’s complete and filed Form DS-DE 119, an organization’s initial and completed registration,~~ the Division shall assign the ~~3PVRO organization~~ a unique ~~third-party voter registration organization~~ identification number that begins with “3P.” ~~A 3PVRO An organization is not deemed registered as a third-party voter registration organization until the Division issues the 3PVRO organization its identification number.~~

(c) A registration agent may be a registration agent for one or more ~~3PVROs organizations~~.

(d) If any information in the Form DS-DE 119 filed with the Division changes, An organization shall submit any change in information previously submitted to the Division, including any addition to the list of its employee registration agents, any termination of an employee registration agent, or change in information about an employee registration agent, or the termination of the 3PVRO, the 3PVRO shall file within 10 days a Form DS-DE 119 reflecting the updated information by email

to [3PVRO@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:3PVRO@dos.myflorida.com) with the form attached in .pdf format, within 10 days following the change. A change is not considered filed until the Division receives the change. Notice of termination of an employee registration agent shall be provided as set forth in paragraph (6)(b).

(e) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (6)(b), any forms or amendments or additions to forms required under this subsection must be submitted in the same manner of transmission required for the Form DS-DE 119 used to initially register an organization.

(e) Any 3PVRO that re-registers after having been cancelled shall be reassigned the same identification number.

(5) (4) Voter Registration Applications Provided to and Used by 3PVROs, Third Party Voter Registration Organizations.

(a) All blank voter registration applications provided by the Division and each Supervisor of Elections supervisor of elections to a 3PVRO an organization shall include the 3PVRO's third party voter registration organization identification number on the bottom portion of the front side of the reverse side of each voter registration application in a manner that does not obscure any other entry.

(b) Unless the applicant has already dated the application form, the registration agent or the 3PVRO organization shall record print the date that the 3PVRO collected applicant delivered the application to the registration agent in a conspicuous space on the bottom portion of the front reverse side of the voter registration application in a manner that does not obscure any other entry. The applicant's date space should not be used. The date printed by the registration agent or the 3PVRO organization shall be in the following numerical format: MM/DD/YY. For example, if the voter registration applicant completed the application on May 15, 2024 2014, the entry on the bottom portion of the front reverse side of the application shall be: 05/15/24 5/15/14.

(c) Each 3PVRO organization shall ensure that its assigned 3PVRO organization identification number and the registration agent's initials are is recorded on the bottom portion of the front reverse side of any voter registration application it delivers to the Division or the Supervisor of Elections in the applicant's county of residence or the Division a supervisor of elections in a manner that does not obscure any other entry.

(d) 1. All collected Delivery of the voter registration applications, whether complete or incomplete, application must be delivered to the Supervisor of Elections in the applicant's county of residence or the Division by mail or in person, by the organization to the Division or a supervisor of elections may be accomplished by in-person delivery or mail. All applications must be delivered to the Division or a supervisor of elections or be postmarked Delivery or postmark must be within 10 calendar days of collection by the 3PVRO an organization or any of its

registration agents. If the 10th day falls on a weekend, holiday, or other day on which the Division or the Supervisor of Elections supervisor of elections office is closed, the voter registration application must be delivered to the Division or the supervisor of elections or be postmarked by the following business day. If, however, a book closing deadline for any given election for federal or state office falls within the 10-day period described above, all applications collected by a 3PVRO an organization or any of its registration agents before book closing must be actually delivered to the Division or a supervisor of elections on or before the book closing deadline.

2. The 3PVRO shall provide a cover letter indicating any applications that they believe were fraudulently completed or collected.

(e) A receipt shall be provided to an applicant upon accepting possession of their application using Form DS-DE 129. A person collecting voter registration applications on behalf of a 3PVRO may make, and a 3PVRO may retain, a copy of the Form DS-DE 129 provided to the applicant. Section 97.0575(7), F. S., does not prohibit a person collecting voter registration applications on behalf of a 3PVRO from making, or a 3PVRO from retaining, a copy of the Form DS-DE 129 provided to an applicant under section 97.0575(4), F.S.

(f) Each voter registration application contains a voter's personal information that is not generally available to the public. For purposes of section 97.0575(7), F.S., a person collecting a voter registration application on behalf of a 3PVRO for the reason of providing such application (including the voter's personal information contained therein) to the 3PVRO shall be deemed to be "in compliance with this section" with respect to providing such application to the 3PVRO if the person:

1. Provides such application to the 3PVRO and
2. Does not retain such application, or any information thereon, in whole or part, after providing it to the 3PVRO.

(g) A 3PVRO serves as a fiduciary to an applicant whose voter registration application it collects. A 3PVRO may not retain an applicant's voter registration application (or the voter's personal information contained therein) after promptly delivering it to the Division of Elections or the Supervisor of Elections in the county in which the applicant resides, nor may a 3PVRO use such application (or the voter's personal information contained therein) for any purpose other than promptly delivering such application to the Division of Elections or the Supervisor of Elections in the county in which the applicant resides.

(6) (5) Referral to Attorney General for Enforcement; and Waiver of Fines, upon Showing of Force Majeure or Impossibility of Performance.

(a) In exercising the authority to refer violations of the third-party voter registration law to the Attorney General for

enforcement, the Secretary of State's principal concern is the protection of applicants who have entrusted their voter registration applications to a 3Pvro, ~~third-party voter registration organization~~. By law, the 3Pvro organization serves as a fiduciary to those applicants, who have a right to expect that their applications will be timely delivered to an elections official irrespective of party affiliation, race, ethnicity, or gender.

(b) Any 3Pvro ~~organization~~ claiming that its failure to deliver a voter registration application within the required timeframe was based upon force majeure or impossibility of performance may provide a statement to the Division explaining the circumstances constituting force majeure or impossibility of performance.

(c) If the information provided to the Division by the 3Pvro ~~organization~~ demonstrates that the failure to timely deliver a voter registration application was the result of force majeure or impossibility of performance, the Secretary of State will not refer the violation to the Attorney General for enforcement.

(d) The Secretary of State will not refer a violation to the Attorney General unless there is evidence that the applicant entrusted the voter registration application to the 3Pvro, except if the evidence reflects that the applicant himself is fictitious or fraudulent.

(e) A 3Pvro may, pursuant to section 97.0575(1)(e)-(f), F.S., require each person collecting or handling voter registration applications on behalf of the 3Pvro to sign written declarations using Form DS-DE 127 declaring under penalty of perjury that he or she has not been convicted of a felony enumerated in section 97.0575(1)(e), F.S., and that he or she is a U.S. citizen. A 3Pvro shall not be subject to a fine pursuant to section 97.0575(1)(e)-(f), F.S., as applicable, for permitting a felon or non-U.S. citizen to handle or collect voter registration applications on behalf of the 3Pvro if the 3Pvro has a Form DS-DE 127 signed by the felon or non-U.S. citizen prior to collecting or handling voter registration applications on behalf of the 3Pvro.

~~(6) Termination of Organization and Employee Registration Agent.~~

~~(a) If an organization terminates its status as a third-party voter registration organization, the organization shall submit within 10 days a Form DS-DE 119 reflecting its termination.~~

~~(b) If an employee registration agent's employment with an organization is terminated, the organization shall file notice of the terminated status of the employee registration agent by submitting an updated a Form DS-DE 119 or by sending a notification of the termination by email to 3Pvro@dos.myflorida.com or by transmitting the notification to the Division's facsimile machine at (850)245-6291 within 10 days of the termination. If Form DS-DE 119 is not used as the~~

~~means of notification, the notification shall contain the organization's assigned identification number and the name of the employee registration agent being terminated.~~

~~(c) Forms DS-DE 119 required under this subsection must be submitted as an attachment in pdf format in an email to 3Pvro@dos.myflorida.com or transmitted to the Division's facsimile machine at (850)245-6291.~~

~~(7) Processing of Voter Registration Applications from a 3Pvro an Organization by the Division and Supervisors of Elections and Accounting of Application Forms.~~

~~(a) For each non-blank registration application that a 3Pvro an organization delivers to the Division or supervisor of elections, A voter registration official shall record the date of delivery on the bottom portion of the front reverse side of the application in a manner that does not obscure any other entries. For purposes of this rule and not for voter registration purposes, An an application is considered delivered to the Division or a supervisor of elections at the time on the date the application is actually received-delivered by the Supervisor of Elections in the applicant's county of residence or the Division, if delivered in person, organization by in-person delivery or, if mailed, the date of delivery shall be the date of a clear the postmark, if one is present on the mailing envelope. If a postmark is not present or unclear, the date of delivery to the Division or a supervisor of elections is the actual date of receipt by the Supervisor of Elections in the applicant's county of residence or the Division. For a determination of a fine based upon the application being received by mail after the book closing date, a clear postmark on or before the date of book closing will excuse the fine. If a 3Pvro an organization delivers more than one application at the same time, those applications shall bear the same date of delivery regardless of when the applications are processed.~~

~~(b) A 3Pvro's An organization's untimely delivery of a voter registration application does not affect the validity of the application. Every application must be processed regardless of the timeliness of its delivery.~~

~~(c) The Division and Supervisors of Elections supervisors of elections shall record the number of state or federal voter registration applications they provide to, and receive from, each 3Pvro, organization. Each Supervisor of Elections supervisor of elections shall complete and file report to the Division on Form DS-DE 124 by email to 3Pvro@dos.myflorida.com with the form attached in .pdf format, by noon of the following business day to report the number of voter registration applications provided to and received from all each 3Pvro's organization the previous business day. A Supervisor Supervisors of Elections is are not required to file submit Form DS-DE 124 when they did not provide any voter registration applications to, or receive any from, a 3Pvro an organization on the preceding business day.~~



~~(d) Form DS-DE 124 required under this subsection must be submitted as an attachment in pdf format in an email to 3Pvro@dos.myflorida.com or transmitted to the Division's facsimile machine at (850)245-6291.~~

(8) Complaints.

(a) Any person claiming to have provided a completed voter registration application to a 3Pvro ~~third party voter registration organization~~ but whose name does not appear as an active voter on the voter registration rolls, or whose application was modified without their consent or untimely delivered, shall may complete and file use Form DS-DE 121 by email to [OECS@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:OECS@dos.myflorida.com) with the form attached in .pdf format or by mail to the Office of Elections Crimes and Security, to file the complaint with the Division.

(b) ~~Any~~ Except as noted below, any other person, organization, or entity (including a Supervisor of Elections) may report allegations of irregularities or fraud involving an organization's voter registration activities by filing an elections fraud complaint with the Division. See Rule 1S-2.025, F.A.C.

(c) Supervisors of Elections ~~elections or their staff shall complete and file Form DS-DE 126 by email to [OECS@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:OECS@dos.myflorida.com) with the form attached in .pdf format, to report any untimely filed voter registration application submitted by a 3Pvro. A Supervisor of Elections may alternatively mail or deliver a completed Form DS-DE 126 to the Office of Elections Crimes and Security an organization by sending the Division an explanatory statement in an email and attaching documents which reflect the untimely submission in pdf format to 3Pvro@dos.myflorida.com, by transmitting the explanatory statement and documentation to the Division's facsimile machine at (850)245-6291, or by having them delivered by express mail or expedited courier service. For any application containing a 3Pvro's an organization's identification number – but no other information indicating it was collected by a 3Pvro, third party voter registration organization, such as a cover letter or a “date delivered” mark, as required by paragraph (4)(b); and that was received untimely or after the book closing date or more than 10 days after the date on which the applicant signed it – the explanatory statement should include a description of the Supervisor's supervisor's efforts to contact the applicant to confirm that the application was delivered to the 3Pvro. organization.~~

~~(d) The Secretary of State will not refer a violation to the Attorney General unless there is evidence that the applicant entrusted the voter registration application to the third party voter registration organization.~~

Rulemaking Authority 20.10(3), 97.012(1), (2), (15), 97.0575(1), (2), (5) FS. Law Implemented 97.012(1), (2), (15), 97.021(37), 97.053, 97.0575 FS. History—New 2-26-09, Amended 5-31-10, 11-2-11, 12-5-12, - -23.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:  
Maria Matthews

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Cord Byrd

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: July 21, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: 6/23/2023

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**State Board of Education**

RULE NO.:           RULE TITLE:

6A-1.0018           School Safety Requirements and Monitoring

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To set forth requirements relating to school safety and to define certain safety measures that schools are expected to meet. Amendments will address new requirements as a result of recent legislation and HB 543, including removing threat assessment from the rule so that a new threat management rule can be created. Further changes will include the removal of outdated provisions for emergency drills and the updated requirements for reporting certain acts to law enforcement.

SUMMARY: Amendments will address new requirements as a result of recent legislation to include extracting threat assessment team requirements from the existing School Safety Requirements and Monitoring rule and creating a new rule on threat management to reflect the new process and instrument required in Chapter 2023-18, Laws of Florida.

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:**

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The changes are based on requirements in House Bill 543 (2023). This proposed rule is not expected to have any adverse impact on economic growth, business competitiveness or any other factors listed in s. 120.541(2)(a), F.S., and will not require legislative ratification. No increase in regulatory costs are anticipated as a result of the rule changes.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1001.11(9), 1001.212(15), 1006.07(4)(a), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1001.11(9), 1001.212(4), (12), (14), (15), 1006.07(4), (6), (7), (9), 1006.12(5), 1006.147, 1006.1493, 1008.386(3), F.S.

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: August 23, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Collier County School Board Office, 5775 Osceola Trail, Naples, FL 34109.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Julie Collins, Office of Safe Schools, SafeSchools@fldoe.org.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

**6A-1.0018 School Safety Requirements and Monitoring**

(1) No change.

(2) Definitions.

(a) through (b) No change.

~~(c) “CSTAG” means the Comprehensive School Threat Assessment Guidelines behavioral threat assessment instrument, which must be used for threat assessments in all public schools, including charter schools.~~

(c) ~~(d)~~ “Department” means the Florida Department of Education.

(d) ~~(e)~~ “Discharge” means to fire a gun or firearm.

(e) ~~(f)~~ “Discipline” means a safe-school officer receiving a behavior-related official reprimand.

(f) ~~(g)~~ “Dismissal” means a safe-school officer is permanently relieved of his position. Dismissal or termination is involuntary and initiated by the employer, including firings or other removals for cause.

(g) ~~(h)~~ “Emergency drill” means a method of testing emergency plans and responses to incidents other than fire, including active threats, natural disasters, severe weather, hazardous materials, reunification, and other critical incident scenarios.

(h) ~~(i)~~ “Florida Safe Schools Assessment Tool” or “FSSAT” means the site security risk assessment tool used by school officials at each school district and public school site in the state, including charter schools, to conduct security assessments, as provided in Section 1006.1493, F.S.

(i) ~~(j)~~ “FortifyFL” means the mobile suspicious activity reporting tool that allows students and members of the community to report information anonymously concerning unsafe, potentially harmful, dangerous, violent, or criminal activities, or threats of such activities to law enforcement or school officials as described in Section 943.082, F.S.

(j) ~~(k)~~ “Law enforcement officer” means the persons identified in Section 943.10(1), F.S.

(k) ~~(l)~~ “Office” means the Department’s Office of Safe Schools.

(l) ~~(m)~~ “Safe-school officer” means a school resource officer, a school-safety officer, a school guardian, or a school security guard, as identified in Sections 1006.12(1)-(4), F.S.

(m) ~~(n)~~ “School administrator” means the school personnel identified in Section 1012.01(3), F.S.

(n) ~~(o)~~ “School-based mental health services provider” means a school psychologist certified under Rule 6A-4.0311, F.A.C., a school social worker certified under Rule 6A-4.035, F.A.C., a school counselor certified under Rule 6A-4.0181, F.A.C., or a mental health professional licensed under Chapter 490 or 491, F.S., who is employed or contracted by a district to provide mental health services in schools.

(o) ~~(p)~~ “School day” means any day, including a partial day, where students are physically present at school for instructional purposes, as defined by Section 1011.60(2), F.S., and Rule 6A-1.045111, F.A.C.

(p) ~~(q)~~ “School district” or “district” means a Florida school district or district school board, the Florida Virtual School (Section 1002.37, F.S.), the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind (Section 1002.36, F.S.), and Developmental Research (Laboratory) Schools (Section 1002.32, F.S.).

(q) ~~(r)~~ “School safety specialist” means the district school superintendent’s designee per Section 1006.07(6)(a), F.S., responsible for the oversight of all aspects of school safety and security within the school district and who is a school administrator or a law enforcement officer.

(r) ~~(s)~~ “SESIR” means School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting, as identified in Rule 6A-1.0017, F.A.C.

~~(s) “Substantive threat” means a threat where the intent to harm is either present or unclear, and requires protective action, as further defined in the CSTAG, Form CSTAG-2021.~~

(s) ~~(t)~~ “Suspected deficiency” means that there is at least some evidence that a district or school is not acting in compliance with the safety requirements set forth in this rule.

~~(t) “Transient threat” means a threat where there is not a sustained intent to harm and the situation can be quickly resolved with apology, retraction, or explanation by the person who made the threat, as defined in the CSTAG, Form CSTAG-2021.~~

(3) through (9) No change.

(10) Threat management ~~assessment teams~~.

(a) School districts must have policies and procedures for threat management and threat management teams in compliance with Rule 6A-1.0019, Threat Management Purpose. The purpose of the threat assessment team is to establish a process focusing on behaviors that pose a threat to school safety while serving as a preventative measure to identify needs and provide support to students. This process is also known as a care assessment.

~~(b) Policies.~~

~~1. Each school district must adopt policies, consistent with this rule and with model policies developed by the Office, for the establishment of threat assessment teams at each school.~~

~~2. District threat assessment policies must include procedures for referrals to mental health services identified by the school district pursuant to Section 1012.584(4), F.S.~~

~~(c) Composition. Each school's threat assessment team must include persons with expertise in counseling, instruction, school administration, and law enforcement, as provided in Section 1006.07(7)(a), F.S. All members of the team must be involved in the threat assessment process and final decision-making.~~

~~1. The counseling team member must be a school based mental health services provider that is able to access student mental health records.~~

~~2. The law enforcement team member must be a sworn law enforcement officer, as defined by Section 943.10(1), F.S., including a School Resource Officer, school safety officer, or other active law enforcement officer. At a minimum, a law enforcement officer serving on a threat assessment team must have access to local Records Management System information, the Criminal Justice Information System, and the Florida Crime Information Center and National Crime Information Center databases. Officers serving on school based threat assessment teams must also have clearance to review Criminal Justice Information and Criminal History Record Information.~~

~~3. A school guardian, as defined under Section 1006.12(3), F.S., or a school security guard, as defined under Section 1006.12(4), F.S., may not serve as the law enforcement member of a threat assessment team.~~

~~(d) Instrument. Each school based threat assessment team must use the Comprehensive School Threat Assessment Guidelines (CSTAG) model to assess the behavior of persons who may pose a threat to school staff or students and to coordinate intervention and services for such persons. All reported threats, even those determined not to be a threat, must be documented by the threat assessment team. Documentation must include the evaluation process and any resultant action. Requirements for retention, maintenance, and transfer of threat assessment records are found in Rule 6A 1.0955, F.A.C. Because the purpose of the threat assessment is to identify and intervene in response to threats to school safety, completing a threat assessment does not require parental consent; however, a student's parent must be notified if the threat assessment process reveals information about a student's mental, emotional, or physical health or well being, or results in a change in related services or monitoring. Threat assessment teams must follow local district policies and procedures for required parent notification.~~

~~(e) Training. All threat assessment team members must be trained on the CSTAG model. For assistance in accessing this training, districts must contact the Office in writing at SafeSchools@fldoe.org.~~

~~1. For the 2021-22 school year, each member of a threat assessment team must complete Office approved training on the CSTAG model no later than December 31, 2021.~~

~~2. Beginning with the 2022-23 school year, threat assessment teams at each school must be fully staffed and all team members must complete CSTAG training before the start of the school year. Those appointed to threat assessment teams after the start of the school year must complete CSTAG training within ninety (90) days of appointment.~~

~~(f) Meetings. Each school based threat assessment team must meet as often as needed to fulfill its duties of assessing and intervening with persons whose behavior may pose a threat to school staff or students, but no less than monthly. Districts must adopt policies requiring threat assessment teams to maintain documentation of their meetings, including meeting dates and times, team members in attendance, cases discussed, and actions taken.~~

~~(g) Reporting. Each district must ensure that all threat assessment teams in the district report to the Office on the team's activities during the previous school year. The district school safety specialist must ensure all schools in the district timely report information required by this paragraph. Information is due by October 1 and must be reported using the FSSAT. Beginning in the 2022-23 school year, the total number of threat assessments conducted, disaggregated by the total number of non threats, the total number of transient threats, the total number of substantive threats, and the sex, race, and grade level of all students assessed by the threat assessment team.~~

~~(b) (h) Notification to Parents.~~

~~1. through 5. No change.~~

~~(11) No change.~~

~~(12) Zero-Tolerance Policies and Agreements with Law Enforcement.~~

~~(a) Each district must have zero-tolerance policies, including policies that define acts that require consultation with and reporting or referral to law enforcement, as provided by Section 1006.13, F.S.~~

~~(b) Each district must have an agreement with the county sheriff's office and local police department for reporting acts that are required to be reported to law enforcement, which must at a minimum include the incidents identified in Rule 6A-1.0017, F.A.C. pose a threat to school safety, as provided by Section 1006.13(4), F.S.~~

~~(c) No change.~~

~~(13) through (14) No change.~~

~~(15) Emergency and fire-drills.~~

(a) Policies. Districts must develop policies and procedures for emergency drills and fire drills in consultation with the appropriate public safety agencies to include, at a minimum, law enforcement, fire service, and emergency management. The provisions of paragraph (15)(a) apply through July 31, 2023.

~~1. Active assailant and hostage situation drills must be conducted at least as often as fire drills are required by the Florida Fire Prevention Code, as adopted by the State Fire Marshal, available at [www.myfloridaefo.com](http://www.myfloridaefo.com).~~

~~2. Districts must document completion of emergency drills at all school facilities in the district.~~

~~3. Active assailant and hostage situation drills must be conducted in accordance with developmentally appropriate and age appropriate procedures. Districts are authorized to develop policies that provide for accommodations for drills conducted by exceptional student education (ESE) centers, as defined in Section 1003.57(1)(a)1.a., F.S. District accommodations for drills conducted at ESE centers, if any, must be included in the written policies and procedures for exceptional students that are submitted to the Department in accordance with subsection 6A-6.03411(2), F.A.C.~~

~~4. District school safety specialists must coordinate with the sheriff in their county to determine what law enforcement officers are responsible for responding to each school in their district in the event of an active assailant emergency and must provide those officers a minimum of twenty four (24) hours' notice prior to conducting an active assailant emergency drill, pursuant to Section 1006.07(4)(a), F.S. These law enforcement officers must be physically present on each school campus and directly involved in the execution of active assailant emergency drills, unless their presence is determined to be unnecessary by the sheriff.~~

(b) After-action report. An after-action report must be completed following each emergency drill and fire drill. After-action reports must identify the type of drill, location and date of the drill, participants, and involvement of law enforcement or other public safety agencies. In addition, the after-action report must describe actions taken by participants, must analyze areas of success and areas where improvement is needed, and include input from public safety agencies and a plan for corrective action. After-action reports must be submitted to the district school safety specialist for review fifteen (15) calendar days following drill completion. The provisions of paragraph (15)(b) apply beginning August 1, 2023.

~~1. Policies. Districts must develop policies and procedures for emergency drills and fire drills in consultation with the appropriate public safety agencies to include, at a minimum, law enforcement, fire service, and emergency management.~~

~~2. After action report. An after action report must be completed following each emergency drill and fire drill. After-~~

~~action reports must identify the type of drill, location and date of the drill, participants, and involvement of law enforcement or other public safety agencies. In addition, the after-action report must describe actions taken by participants, must analyze areas of success and areas where improvement is needed, and include input from public safety agencies and a plan for corrective action. After action reports must be submitted to the district school safety specialist for review fifteen (15) calendar days following drill completion.~~

~~(c) 3. Requirements for all emergency drills and fire drills.~~

~~1. a. All occupants of a building or any other location where an emergency or fire drill is held must participate in the drill.~~

~~2. b. During emergency drills, fire drills and during actual emergencies, schools must use plain language to communicate the nature of the emergency and instructions to students and staff. Plain language means communication that can be understood by the intended audience, which is free of coded language, jargon, and acronyms, and meets the purpose of the communicator.~~

~~3. e. Districts must vary the conditions of emergency drills and fire drills. Drills must be held at both expected and unexpected times and under varying conditions that require school staff, students and building occupants to take protective actions based on the specific circumstances of the simulated incident.~~

~~4. d. Districts must vary the time of day in which emergency drills and fire drills are held. In setting the drill schedule, districts must consider drills beginning at nonstandard times, such as within an hour of the start of the school day, during lunch, when students are between classes, or within an hour of the end of the school day.~~

~~5. e. Emergency drills and fire drills must test all applicable functions included in the threat scenario, such as panic buttons, participant movement (lockdown, shelter-in-place, or evacuation), simulated communications with first responders, notification to parents, and appropriate protective actions, such as turning off lights, and covering windows.~~

~~6. f. Emergency drills and fire drills must be conducted in accordance with developmentally appropriate and age-appropriate procedures. Districts are authorized to develop policies that provide for accommodations for drills conducted by exceptional student education (ESE) centers, as defined in Section 1003.57(1)(a)1.a., F.S. District accommodations for drills conducted at ESE centers, if any, must be included in the written policies and procedures for exceptional students that are submitted to the Department in accordance with subsection 6A-6.03411(2), F.A.C.~~

~~(d) 4. Requirements for specific types of drills.~~

~~1. a. Fire drills. Elementary, middle and high schools must conduct fire drills in accordance with the Florida Fire Prevention Code, located at~~



<https://www.myfloridacfo.com/division/sfm/bfp/florida-fire-prevention-code>.

2. ~~b.~~ Emergency drills.

a. ~~(H)~~ Elementar, middle, and high schools are required to conduct six (6) emergency drills every school year that are nonconcurrent with fire drills. One emergency drill must take place within the first ten (10) days of the beginning of the school year, and the remaining drills must take place at least every forty-five (45) days that school is in session. Four (4) of the six (6) emergency drills must address active threats. The remaining two (2) drills must address other emergency events, such as severe weather, natural disasters, hazardous materials, or reunification.

b. ~~(H)~~ Active assailant drills. District school safety specialists must coordinate with the sheriff in their county to determine which law enforcement officers are responsible for responding to each school in their district in the event of an active assailant emergency and must provide those officers a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours' notice prior to conducting an active assailant emergency drill, pursuant to Section 1006.07(4)(a), F.S. These law enforcement officers must be physically present on each school campus and directly involved in the execution of active assailant emergency drills, unless their presence is determined to be unnecessary by the sheriff.

(16) through (24) No change.

(25) The following forms are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule. Copies may be obtained from the Florida Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400.

~~(a) Comprehensive School Threat Assessment Guidelines, Form CSTAG-2022 (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14264>) effective June 2022.~~

(a) ~~(b)~~ Safe-School Officer Notification Report, Form SSON-2023 (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15259>) effective April 2023.

~~(c) Model Behavioral Threat Assessment Policies and Best Practices for K-12 Schools, Form BTAP-2022 (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14265>) effective June 2022.~~

(b) ~~(d)~~ Model Policy Against Bullying and Harassment for K-12 Schools, Form PABH-2022 (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14266>), effective June 2022.

Rulemaking Authority 1001.02(2)(n), 1006.07(4)(a) FS. Law Implemented 1001.11(9), 1001.212(4), (12), (14), (15), 1006.07(4)(a), (6), (7), (9), 1006.12(5), 1006.147, 1006.1493, 1008.386(3), 1012.584 FS. History—New 7-14-21, Amended 11-23-21, 6-14-22, 9-20-22, 11-22-22, 4-25-23.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Julie Collins, Office of Safe Schools, SafeSchools@fldoe.org.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Manny Diaz Jr., Commissioner, Department of Education.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: July 27, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: June 9, 2023

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**State Board of Education**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6A-1.0020 Florida Safe Schools Canine Program

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To set forth requirements relating to the Florida Safe Schools Canine Program whereby a person, school, or business entity can be designated as a Florida Safe Schools Canine Partner by providing a monetary or in-kind donation to a law enforcement agency to purchase, train, or care for a firearm detection canine.

SUMMARY: This new rule implements 2023 the newly-created s. 1006.121, F.S., which requires the Department of Education's Office of Safe Schools to establish the Florida Safe Schools Canine Program to include the development of a process, application and nomination forms, a partner logo and a program website.

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:**

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The changes are based on requirements in House Bill 543 (2023). This proposed rule is not expected to have any adverse impact on economic growth, business competitiveness or any other factors listed in s. 120.541(2)(a), F.S., and will not require legislative ratification. No increase in regulatory costs are anticipated as a result of the rule changes.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(2)(n), 1006.121(8), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1001.11(9), 1006.121, F.S.

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: August 23, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Collier County School Board Office, 5775 Osceola Trail, Naples, FL 34109.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Julie Collins, Office of Safe Schools, SafeSchools@fldoe.org.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

**6A-1.0020 Florida Safe Schools Canine Program**

(1) The purpose of this rule is to set forth requirements relating to the Florida Safe Schools Canine Program whereby a person, school, or business entity can be designated as a Florida Safe Schools Canine Partner (FSSCP) if the person, school, or business entity provides a monetary or in-kind donation to a law enforcement agency to purchase, train, or care for a firearm detection canine.

(2) Definitions.

(a) "Firearm detection canine" means any canine that is owned or the service of which is employed by a law enforcement agency for use in Florida's K-12 schools for the primary purpose of aiding in the detection of firearms and ammunition. A firearm detection canine must be trained to interact with children and must complete behavior and temperament training.

(b) "Law enforcement agency" means any federal, state, or local law enforcement agency located in Florida.

(c) "School" means a K-12 public school, as defined in Section 1003.01(2), F.S., a charter school, as defined in Section 1002.33, F.S., or a private school as defined in Section 1002.01, F.S.

(3) Eligibility. Individuals, schools, or businesses must meet the following criteria in order to be eligible for the designation as a Florida Safe Schools Canine Partner:

(a) Donation. A law enforcement agency may nominate a person, school, or business entity to be designated as a FSSCP, or such person, school, or business entity may apply to the Office to be designated as a FSSCP if a monetary or in-kind donation is made to a law enforcement agency for the purchase, training, or care of a firearm detection canine.

1. Individuals must make a minimum monetary or in-kind donation valued at \$500.00, and schools or business entities must make a minimum monetary or in-kind donation valued at \$1,000.00.

2. In-kind donations are non-cash gifts and must be accompanied by verification of the value of the gift as determined by the donor, such as a receipt, appraisal, or other documentation accepted by the receiving law enforcement agency.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this rule, the Department retains sole discretion to determine eligibility.

(4) Nomination and Application Process. Beginning with the 2023-24 school year, nominations and applications will be accepted on a rolling basis, as follows:

(a) A law enforcement agency may nominate a person, school, or business entity for the designation by submitting an online Florida Safe Schools Canine Partner Nomination Form available at [www.fldoe.org/safe-schools/canine](http://www.fldoe.org/safe-schools/canine).

(b) A person, school, or business entity may apply for the designation for themselves by submitting an online Florida Safe Schools Canine Partner Application Form, available at [www.fldoe.org/safe-schools/canine](http://www.fldoe.org/safe-schools/canine).

(c) A Nomination or Application must include documentation from the law enforcement agency certifying the date of the donation and that the donation is for the purchase, training, or care of a firearm detection canine.

(d) The Office of Safe Schools ("Office") will review the Nomination or Application and will notify the law enforcement agency or applicant in writing that the form was received, whether there are any missing or deficient elements, and whether there is a need for additional information.

(5) Designation. The Office will notify applicants and nominees who meet the eligibility criteria in subsection (3), and nominees will be given the opportunity to accept the designation. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notice, the nominee must:

(a) Certify the information in the notice is true and accurate and accept the nomination;

(b) Provide corrected information for consideration by the Office and indicate an intention to accept the nomination; or

(c) Decline the nomination.

(d) If the nominee declines the nomination or does not accept the nomination within thirty (30) days, it will not be awarded.

(e) Once awarded, individuals, schools, and businesses will maintain their designation as a Florida Safe Schools Canine Partner for one (1) calendar year.

(f) Florida Safe Schools Canine Partners may elect to discontinue their designated status by contacting the Office at [SafeSchools@fldoe.org](mailto:SafeSchools@fldoe.org).

(6) Use of the Florida Safe Schools Canine Partner logo.

(a) A person, school, or business that has been designated a Florida Safe Schools Canine Partner will be provided electronic copies of the FSSCP logo.

(b) The logo may be displayed by Florida Safe Schools Canine Partners in print or digital formats and may only be reproduced from approved artwork provided by the Office. The logo may not be recreated by any other means, in any other form, or altered in any way, including the use of unapproved tag lines, abbreviations, or translations.

(c) Display of the FSSCP logo does not mean that the Florida Department of Education approves of or endorses the individual or entity displaying the logo. Use of the Florida Department of Education’s name or logo is prohibited.

(d) A person, school, or business entity that has not been designated as a Florida Safe Schools Canine Partner, whose designation has expired, or has elected to discontinue its designated status may not display the logo.

(7) The following forms are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule. Copies may be obtained from the Florida Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400.

(a) Nomination Form for a Florida Safe Schools Canine Partner, Form FSSCP-001 (DOS Link) effective September 2023.

(b) Application Form for a Florida Safe Schools Canine Partner, Form FSSCP-002 (DOS Link) effective September 2023.

Rulemaking Authority 1001.02(l), (2)(n), 1006.121(8) FS. Law Implemented 1001.212, 1006.121 FS. History–New

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:  
Julie Collins, Office of Safe Schools.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Manny Diaz Jr., Commissioner, Department of Education.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: July 27, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: June 9, 2023

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**State Board of Education**

RULE NO.: 6A-1.09441  
RULE TITLE: Requirements for Programs and Courses that are Funded Through the Florida Education Finance Program and for Which the Student May Earn Credit Toward High School Graduation

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Updates the “Course Code Directory and Instructional Personnel Assignments” by which school districts receive Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) funding. The effect will be an updated directory of courses for students to take to earn credit toward high school graduation.

SUMMARY: The amendment incorporates the following changes into the “Course Code Directory and Instructional Personnel Assignments” document: identify new graduation codes and remove language related to online courses that are no longer required for a standard high school diploma.

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:**

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: This proposed rule is not expected to have any adverse impact on economic growth, business competitiveness or any other factors listed in s. 120.541(2)(a), F.S., and will not require legislative ratification. No increases in regulatory costs are anticipated as a result of the rule changes. More specifically, deleting obsolete courses will have no effect.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1003.03(6), 1003.4282(11), 1007.2616(8), 1011.62(1)(t), F.S.  
LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1003.03(6), 1003.4282(1)(b), 1007.2616, 1011.62(1), 1012.55(1)(c), F.S.

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: August 23, 2023, 9:00 a.m.  
PLACE: Collier County School Board Office, 5775 Osceola Trail, Naples, FL 34109.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Kathy Hebda, Chancellor, Division of Florida Colleges, Kathy.hebda@fldoe.org.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

**6A-1.09441 Requirements for Programs and Courses that are Funded Through the Florida Education Finance Program and for Which the Student May Earn Credit Toward High School Graduation.**

For student membership in a program or course to generate funding through the Florida Education Finance Program and for the student to receive elective or required credit toward high school graduation for such a program or course, the following conditions shall be met:

- (1) through (4) No change.
- (5) The “Course Code Directory and Instructional Personnel Assignments 2023-2024,” (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15294>) is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of

this rule, effective ~~September~~ ~~May~~ 2023. The Commissioner may publish the document in appropriate and useful formats such as printed copy, electronic database access or electronic disc. The directory may be obtained from the Office of Articulation, Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. The Commissioner of Education may approve additional courses and course descriptions for which funding could be generated through the Florida Education Finance Program. Such additional course listings will be made available as approved. To request a new course, complete Form CCD01, Course Code Directory Request to Add a New Course, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-08258>) which is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule, effective June 2017. A hard copy may be obtained by contacting the Office of Articulation, Florida Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, or <https://www.fldoe.org/policy/articulation/ccd/>.

Rulemaking Authority 1001.02(1), 1003.03(6), 1007.2616(8), 1011.62(1)(t), 1003.4282(11) FS. Law Implemented 1003.03(6), 1003.4282(1)(b), 1007.2616, 1011.62(1), 1012.55(1)(c) FS. History—New 12-20-83, Formerly 6A-1.9441, Amended 2-6-86, 12-28-86, 4-4-88, 12-13-88, 12-11-89, 1-15-91, 2-20-92, 7-13-93, 10-18-94, 8-28-95, 4-18-96, 7-17-97, 8-12-98, 5-3-99, 5-3-01, 10-15-01, 7-30-02, 4-21-05, 11-21-05, 7-27-06, 1-18-07, 5-19-08, 1-5-09, 6-22-09, 5-3-10, 8-21-11, 9-5-12, 11-3-13, 4-2-14, 12-23-14, 6-23-15, 6-23-16, 6-20-17, 4-30-18, 4-22-19, 5-5-20, 4-20-21, 3-15-22, 5-23-23,

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Kathy Hebda, Chancellor, Division of Florida Colleges.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Manny Diaz Jr., Commissioner, Department of Education.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: July 27, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: July 3, 2023

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### State Board of Education

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6A-5.066 Approval of Teacher Preparation Programs

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To revise the requirements for teacher preparation programs to align with changes made during the 2023 legislation session including House Bills 1537 and 7039, and to make additional changes to ensure we maintain high quality educator preparation for Florida's teachers.

SUMMARY: Proposed changes include modifying "development" to "learning" throughout the rule; revising the Uniform Core Curriculum (UCC) to reflect what is required for each type of teacher preparation program; clarifying the

instructional reading strategies to be aligned with House Bill 7039; requiring program use of state adopted instructional materials; removing the requirement of completer and employer surveys for educator preparation institutes; adding an institutional final score and revising the Candidate Readiness metric in Annual Program Performance Report.

### SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: Based upon agency experience with approval of these programs, the adverse criteria regulatory cost, if any, will not exceed any one of the economic analysis criteria set forth in s. 120.541(2)(a), F.S., and is not expected to require legislative ratification

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1004.04, 1004.85, 1012.34, 1012.56, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1004.04, 1004.85, 1012.56, F.S.

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: August 23, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Collier County School Board Office 5775 Osceola Trail, Naples, FL 34109.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Kelley Duda, Senior Program Director, Bureau of Educator Recruitment, Development, and Retention, Kelley.Duda@fldoe.org.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

### **6A-5.066 Approval of Teacher Preparation Programs.**

This rule sets forth the requirements and implementation of the approval process for each type of teacher preparation program offered by a Florida provider as set forth in Sections 1004.04, 1004.85, and 1012.56(8), F.S.

(1) Definitions. For the purposes of this rule, the following definitions apply.

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) “Annual Program Performance Report” or “APPR” means the yearly public report card issued by the Florida Department of Education (Department) for a state-approved teacher preparation program that includes results of outcome-based performance metrics specified in subsection (6) of this rule. Sections 1004.04(4)(a), 1004.85(4)(b), and 1012.56(8)(d)2., F.S.

(d) through (u) No change.

(v) “Professional education competency program” or “PEC program” means a program under Section 1012.56(9)(8), F.S., in which instructional personnel with a valid temporary certificate employed by a school district, or private school, or state-supported public school with a state-approved program, may demonstrate mastery of professional preparation and education competence through classroom application of the Florida Educator Accomplished Practices and instructional performance.

(w) No change.

(x) “Professional learning development certification program” or “PLCP PDCP” means a program in which a school district, charter school or charter management organization may provide instruction for members of its instructional staff who are non-education baccalaureate or higher degree holders under Section 1012.56(8), F.S., and results in qualification for an initial Florida Professional Educator’s Certificate.

(y) through (ff) No change.

(gg) “Uniform Core Curricula” means ~~the following for~~ all state-approved teacher preparation programs must provide evidence of candidates completing training noted in corresponding Sections 1004.04(2), 1004.85(3), and 1012.56(8), F.S., in addition to ,except as noted:

~~1. The standards contained in the Florida Educator Accomplished Practices.~~

~~2. State content standards as prescribed in Rule 6A-1.09401, F.A.C.~~

1. 3. Scientifically researched and evidence-based reading instructional strategies that is grounded in the science of reading. The primary instructional strategy for teaching word reading is phonics instruction for decoding and encoding. Instructional strategies for foundational skills may not employ the three-cueing system model of reading or visual memory as a basis for teaching word reading. These strategies appropriate to the candidate’s teacher preparation program area are as follows:

a. through c. No change.

~~4. Content literacy and mathematical practices.~~

2. 5. Strategies appropriate for the instruction of English language learners so that candidates are prepared to provide instruction in the English language to limited English proficient students to develop the student’s mastery of the four (4) language skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

a. No change.

b. ITP candidates in teacher preparation programs not included in sub-subparagraph (1)(gg)2.(ii)5-a. of this rule, shall have completed a college or university level 3-credit hour overview or survey course which addresses at an awareness level the areas specified in Rule 6A-4.02451, F.A.C., Performance Standards, Skills, and Competencies for the Endorsement in English for Speakers of Other Languages.

~~6. Strategies appropriate for the instruction of students with disabilities so that candidates are prepared to apply specialized instructional techniques, strategies, and materials for differentiating, accommodating, and modifying assessments, instruction, and materials for students with disabilities.~~

~~7. Strategies to differentiate instruction based on student needs to include methods for differentiating the content, process, learning environment, and product of lessons being taught for a diverse array of learners from a variety of backgrounds and with a wide range of abilities.~~

~~8. Strategies and practices to support evidence based content aligned to state standards and grading practices.~~

~~9. Strategies appropriate for the early identification of students in crisis or experiencing a mental health challenge the referral of such student to a mental health professional for support.~~

~~10. Strategies to support the use of technology in education and distance learning.~~

(hh) No change.

(2) Standards for approval of teacher preparation programs.

(a) The following standards must be met for a provider to receive initial and continued approval of a teacher preparation program:

1. through 3. No change.

4. The program ensures that candidates and completers are prepared to instruct prekindergarten through grade 12 (p-12) students to meet high standards for academic achievement including:

a. The use of high-quality instructional materials as defined by the curricular materials on the Commissioner of Education’s state-adopted list of materials for any adoption cycle as found at [www.fl DOE.org/academics/standards/instructional-materials/](http://www.fl DOE.org/academics/standards/instructional-materials/); and

b. Candidates in a state-approved teacher preparation program shall utilize the materials on lesson preparation and implementation to positively impact student outcomes.

5. through 6. No change.

(3) No change.

(4) Reporting requirements for state-approved teacher preparation programs.

(a) State-approved teacher preparation programs shall report the following data to the Department:

1. No change.



2. All state-approved teacher preparation programs referenced in Sections 1004.04 and 1004.85, F.S., must annually report via the Department’s eIPEP platform results of employer and completer satisfaction surveys measuring the preparation of completers for the realities of the classroom and the responsiveness of the program to local school districts.

3. All ~~PLCP~~ ~~PDCP~~ programs approved per Section 1012.56(8), F.S., must annually report via the Department’s eIPEP platform located at <https://www.florida-eipep.org/> program performance management data based on information provided by the program on the Florida Department of Education Initial Program Approval Standards Form IAS-2023.

(5) Requirements and processes for continued approval of teacher preparation programs.

(a) Continued approval entails requirements that are scored and requirements that are not scored. The requirements for continued approval that are not scored are as follows:

1. through 3. No change.

4. Based upon the information provided on Continued Approval Form CA-2023, the provider demonstrates that it meets the following requirements:

a. through b. No change.

c. The provider only endorses program candidates as completers if the individual has demonstrated positive impact on student learning growth in their certification subject area and ~~satisfied~~ ~~passed~~ all portions of the Florida Teacher Certification Examinations;

d. through f. No change.

~~g. A provider with an educator preparation institute uses results of employer and program completers’ satisfaction surveys designed to measure the sufficient preparation of program completers and measuring the institution’s responsiveness to local school districts, to drive programmatic improvement;~~

~~g. h. A provider with a state-approved initial teacher preparation program uses the results of employer and program completers’ satisfaction surveys designed to measure the sufficient preparation of program completers and measuring the institution’s responsiveness to local school districts, to drive programmatic improvement; and~~

~~h. i. Any state-approved teacher preparation program approved per Section 1012.56(8), F.S., uses program performance management data to drive programmatic improvements based on information provided by the program on the Florida Department of Education Initial Program Approval Standards Form IAS-2023.~~

(b) No change.

(6) Annual Program Performance Report (APPR).

(a) The Department shall annually issue an APPR. The APPR is composed of Candidate Readiness, Workforce Contribution, Impact on Student Learning, and Annual

Evaluations. Performance metrics not applicable to a program shall not be rated. ITPs will receive annual APPR summative rating scores, known as Initial Teacher Preparation Summative APPR, averaged across all of the provider’s state-approved initial teacher preparation programs. The rating score is then weighted by the total number of completers used in the annual calculation of the APPR summative rating. The Initial Preparation Summative APPR ranges between 1.0 and 4.0.

(b) No change.

(c) Each performance metric appropriate for a program shall receive a performance level score ranging from one (1) to four (4) that is based on the performance level target points established as follows:

Performance Metrics	Level 4 Performance Target (4 points)	Level 3 Performance Target (3 points)	Level 2 Performance Target (2 points)	Level 1 Performance Target (1 point)
Candidate Readiness based on passage rates on educator certification examinations, as applicable, under Section 1012.56, F.S.	Program complete r pass rates on Florida Teacher Certification Examinations (FTCE) without subtests are at or above <u>90</u> 85% on first and second attempts. If a program has multiple FTCE, the performance level is averaged.	Program complet er pass rates on FTCE without subtests are at or above <u>80</u> 75% and less than <u>90</u> 85% on first and second attempts . If a program has multiple FTCE, the performance level is averaged.	Program complet er pass rates on FTCE without subtests are at or above <u>80</u> 75% on first and second attempts . If a program has multiple FTCE, the performance level is averaged.	Program did not meet criteria for Level 2, 3, or 4.
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	<p>r pass rates on FTCE with subtests are at or above <del>75</del><sup>70</sup>% on first and second attempts. If a program has multiple FTCE, the performance level is averaged.</p>	<p>er pass rates on FTCE with subtests are at or above <del>65</del><sup>60</sup>% and less than <del>75</del><sup>70</sup>% on first and second attempts . If a program has multiple FTCE, the performance level is averaged.</p>	<p>er pass rates on FTCE with subtests are at or above 50% and less than <del>65</del><sup>60</sup>% on first and second attempts . If a program has multiple FTCE, the performance level is averaged.</p>	<p>meet criteria for Level 2, 3, or 4.</p>
<p>Workforce Contribution-Rate</p>	<p>Workforce contribution rate is at or above 90% following the first year of completion with a .5-point value for out-of-state employment, a 1.0-point value for in-state employment, and 1.5-point value for</p>	<p>Workforce contribution rate is 89% to 60% following the first year of completion with a .5-point value for out-of-state employment, a 1.0-point value for in-state employment,</p>	<p>Workforce contribution rate is 59% to 30% following the first year of completion with a .5-point value for out-of-state employment, a 1.0-point value for in-state employment,</p>	<p>Program did not meet criteria for Level 2, 3, or 4.</p>

	<p>complete rs of High Demand Teacher Needs certification areas employed in-state.</p>	<p>and 1.5-point value for complet ers of High Demand Teacher Needs certification areas employe d in-state.</p>	<p>and 1.5-point value for complet ers of High Demand Teacher Needs certification areas employe d in-state.</p>	
<p>Impact on Student Learning</p>	<p>The average student learning growth score among students taught by program completers (Value-Added Model [VAM] score) is rated as highly effective as described in Rule 6A-5.0411, F.A.C.</p>	<p>Program did not meet criteria for level 4 or level 1.</p>	<p>Not calculate d.</p>	<p>The average student learning growth score among students taught by program completers (VAM score) is rated as unsatisfactory as describe d in Rule 6A-5.0411, F.A.C.</p>
<p>Results of program completers' annual evaluations as specified in</p>	<p>At least 50 percent of the program's completers received a highly</p>	<p>Program did not meet criteria for Level 4, but at least 90 percent of the</p>	<p>Program did not meet criteria for Level 3, but at least 70 percent of the</p>	<p>Program did not meet criteria for Level 2, 3, or 4.</p>

Section 1012.34, F.S.	effective rating and 100 percent of the program's completers received either highly effective or effective ratings, and no completers were rated unsatisfactory.	program's completers received either highly effective or effective ratings.	program's completers received a highly effective or effective ratings.
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2-98, Amended 8-7-00, 3-19-06, 2-17-15, 1-1-18, 4-30-18, 10-24-19, 11-23-21, 6-27-23,

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Kelley Duda, Senior Program Director, Bureau of Educator Recruitment, Development, and Retention.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Manny Diaz Jr., Commissioner, Department of Education.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: July 27, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: June 22, 2023

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**State Board of Education**

RULE NO.: 6A-6.0533 RULE TITLE: Determining Substantial Math Deficiency

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: This new rule will provide guidelines to determine whether a student in kindergarten through grade 4 has a substantial deficiency in mathematics. Identified students will receive interventions based upon their specific mathematics deficiency. House Bill 7039 (2023), amending s. 1008.25, F.S., requires the State Board of Education to identify by rule, guidelines for determining whether a student in kindergarten through grade 4 has a substantial deficiency in mathematics.

SUMMARY: The rule identifies students for a substantial math deficiency based upon scores on screening or assessment instruments or grade specific teacher observations.

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:**

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: Is not expected to exceed any of the economic criteria set forth in s. 120.541(2)(a), F.S., and will not require legislative authorization based upon the nature of the rule, which provides guidelines for identification of a substantial math deficiency.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

(d) through (f) No change.

(7) through (8) No change.

(9) Continued Approval Summative Score and Ratings.

(a) The Department shall determine the Continued Approval Summative Score for all programs based on the following components:

1. No change.

2. Continued Approval Site Visit Rating: The average of all scores issued for each review area as specified in paragraph (7)(e)(~~d~~). The continued approval site visit rating ranges between 1.0 and 4.0.

3. No change.

(b) through (c) No change.

(10) through (11) No change.

(12) The following forms are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule. Copies may be obtained from the Florida Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Room 124, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400.

(a) Florida Department of Education Initial Program Approval Standards, Form IAS-2023 (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15444>) effective ~~September~~ June 2023.

(b) Florida Department of Education Continued Approval, Form CA-2023 (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15445>) effective ~~September~~ June 2023.

(c) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1004.04, 1004.85, 1012.56 FS. Law Implemented 1004.04, 1004.85, 1012.56 FS. History—New 7-

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1008.25(6)(a)5., F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1008.25(6)(a)5., F.S.

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: August 23, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Collier County School Board Office, 5775 Osceola Trail, Naples, FL 34109.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Angelia Rivers, Chief, Bureau of Standards and Instructional Support, 850-245-0475.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

**6A-6.0533 Determining Substantial Math Deficiency**

(1) In accordance with Section 1008.25(4)(c), F.S., students identified with a substantial mathematics deficiency must be covered by a federally required student plan, such as an Individual Educational Plan (IEP) or an individualized progress monitoring plan, or both, as necessary.

(2) A student is identified as having a substantial deficiency in mathematics if the following criteria are met:

(a) For kindergarten, if the student scores below the tenth (10th) percentile based upon screening, diagnostic assessments, progress monitoring, other classroom data, or statewide assessments pursuant to Section 1008.25(6), F.S.; or if through teacher observation, the student has demonstrated minimum skill levels for mathematics competencies in one or more of the areas of emphasis for that grade level. In Kindergarten, areas of emphasis include:

1. developing an understanding of counting to represent the total number of objects in a set and to order the objects within a set;

2. developing an understanding of addition and subtraction and the relationship of these operations to counting; and

3. measuring, comparing, and categorizing objects according to various attributes, including their two- and three-dimensional shapes.

(b) For grade 1, if the student scores below the tenth (10th) percentile based upon screening, diagnostic assessments, progress monitoring, other classroom data, or statewide assessments pursuant to Section 1008.25(6), F.S.; or if through teacher observation, the student has demonstrated minimum skill levels for mathematics competencies in one or more of the areas of emphasis for that grade level. In grade 1, areas of emphasis include:

1. understanding the place value of tens and ones within two-digit whole numbers;

2. extending understanding of addition and subtraction and the relationship between them;

3. developing an understanding of measurement of physical objects, money and time and

4. categorizing, composing and decomposing geometric figures.

(c) For grade 2, if the student scores below the tenth (10th) percentile based upon screening, diagnostic assessments, progress monitoring, other classroom data, or statewide assessments pursuant to Section 1008.25(6), F.S.; or if through teacher observation, the student has demonstrated minimum skill levels for mathematics competencies in one or more of the areas of emphasis for that grade level. In grade 2, areas of emphasis include:

1. extending understanding of place value in three-digit numbers;

2. building fluency and algebraic reasoning with addition and subtraction;

3. extending understanding of measurement of objects, time and the perimeter of geometric figures; and

4. developing spatial reasoning with number representations and two-dimensional figures.

(d) For grade 3, if the student scores below the tenth (10th) percentile based upon screening, diagnostic assessments, progress monitoring, other classroom data, or statewide assessments pursuant to Section 1008.25(6), F.S.; or if through teacher observation, the student has demonstrated minimum skill levels for mathematics competencies in one or more of the areas of emphasis for that grade level. In grade 3, areas of emphasis include:

1. adding and subtracting multi-digit whole numbers, including using a standard algorithm;

2. building an understanding of multiplication and division, the relationship between them and the connection to area of rectangles;

3. developing an understanding of fractions; and

4. extending geometric reasoning to lines and attributes of quadrilaterals.

(e) For grade 4, if the student scores below the tenth (10th) percentile based upon screening, diagnostic assessments, progress monitoring, other classroom data, or statewide assessments pursuant to Section 1008.25(6), F.S.; or if through teacher observation, the student has demonstrated minimum skill levels for mathematics competencies in one or more of the areas of emphasis for that grade level. In grade 4, areas of emphasis include:

1. extending understanding of multi-digit multiplication and division;

2. developing the relationship between fractions and decimals and beginning operations with both;

3. classifying and measuring angles; and

4. developing an understanding for interpreting data to include mode, median and range.

Rulemaking Authority 1001.02(1),(2)(n) FS. Law Implemented 1008.25(6)a. FS. History–New

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Angelia Rivers, Chief, Bureau of Standards and Instructional Support.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Manny Diaz Jr., Commissioner, Department of Education.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: July 27, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: June 28, 2023

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**State Board of Education**

RULE NO.: 6A-10.024  
 RULE TITLE: Articulation Between and Among Universities, Florida Colleges, and School Districts

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To incorporate new language related to the governing of credit for law enforcement training and incorporation of a law enforcement course equivalency list for use by Florida’s public postsecondary institutions to award credit or clock hours for courses taken by current and former law enforcement officers. Additionally, the rule amendment will update the Credit-by-Examination Equivalencies list and the Military Credit Equivalency List for the 2023-2024 academic year, both of which are incorporated by reference.

SUMMARY: Updates to rule language and lists will provide an updated credit-by-exam list for reference by school districts, colleges, and universities and provide for the uniform awarding of credit for law enforcement training and military experience.

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:**

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: This proposed rule is not expected to have any adverse impact on economic growth, business competitiveness or any other factors listed in s. 120.541(2)(a), F.S., and will not require legislative ratification. No increases in regulatory costs are anticipated as a result of this rule. This is based upon the nature of the proposed rule.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1004.096, 1004.0981, 1007.23(1), 1007.25, 1007.27, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1001.64(8)(a), 1004.0981, 1004.096, 1007.01(2), 1007.23, 1007.25, 1007.27, F.S.

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: August 23, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Collier County School Board Office, 5775 Osceola Trail, Naples, FL 34109.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Kathy Hebda, Chancellor, Division of Florida Colleges, ChancellorFCS@fldoe.org

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

**6A-10.024 Articulation Between and Among Universities, Florida Colleges, and School Districts.**

It is the intent of the Board of Governors in regulation and the State Board of Education in rule to facilitate articulation and seamless integration of the education system by agreeing to the provisions of this articulation agreement, pursuant to Section 1007.23, F.S. The authority to adopt and amend this rule aligns with the Constitutional power given the Board of Governors for the state university system and the statutory authority given the State Board of Education for the district school boards, the Florida College System, and the Department of Education.

(1) through (6) No change.

(7) Applied Technology Diploma (A.T.D.). The A.T.D. consists of a course of study that is part of an associate in science (A.S.) or an associate in applied science degree (A.A.S.), is less than sixty (60) credit hours, is approximately fifty (50) percent of the technical component (non-general education), and leads to employment in a specific occupation. An A.T.D. program may consist of either clock hours or college credit.

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) All faculty providing instruction must have at least a baccalaureate degree or an associate degree with demonstrated competencies in the specific instructional program area as defined by the institutional accrediting agency or association that is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education ~~Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.~~

(d) through (f) No change.

(8) Credit by examination.

(a) For examination programs listed in Section 1007.27, F.S., a list of examinations, minimum scores for guaranteed transfer credit, maximum credits guaranteed to transfer, and



recommended course equivalents shall be maintained by the Articulation Coordinating Committee and reviewed annually. The list is incorporated in the document Articulation Coordinating Committee Credit-by-Examination Equivalencies, Effective September 2023 2022, which is herein incorporated by reference and located at (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14689>). The list may be requested from the Office of Articulation, Florida Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

(b) through (h) No change.

(9) through (14) No change.

(15) Credit for Military Experience.

(a) The Credit or Clock Hour for Military Experience Equivalency List (“Military Equivalency List”) contains a list of military courses, training, and occupations which have been evaluated to determine equivalency and alignment with courses taught in Florida’s public state universities, Florida College System institutions, and school district colleges and career centers. The Military Equivalency List, Effective September 2023 2022, is herein incorporated by reference and located at (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14690>). The list may be requested from the Office of Articulation, Florida Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

(b) Where the student’s military course(s) or occupation(s) are not found on the Military Equivalency List, a public postsecondary college institution or district career center must evaluate the student’s experience using its policies and procedures for awarding military credit or clock hours. Such policies must include evaluation of military coursework to determine equivalency and alignment with postsecondary learning outcomes and course descriptions.

(c) Where the student’s military course(s) or occupation(s) are found on the Military Equivalency List, a public postsecondary college institution or district career center must award a student the minimum number of credit hours or equivalent clock hours listed in the fourth or fifth columns, respectively, as appropriate toward the applicable program of study when the student’s record demonstrates that the student:

1. ~~E~~ Earned the required passing score in a military course, or held the rank associated with the occupation, as found on the Equivalency List; ~~and~~

2. ~~Demonstrates the required skills listed on the Equivalency List.~~

(d) No change.

(e) Florida course numbers on the Military Equivalency List correspond to postsecondary courses on the Statewide Course Numbering System, described in Section 1007.24, F.S., or in the Career Education Curriculum Frameworks, described in Rule 6A-6.0571, F.A.C.

(16) Credit for Law Enforcement Experience.

(a) The Credit or Clock Hour for Law Enforcement Experience Equivalency List (“Law Enforcement Equivalency List”) contains a list of law enforcement courses and trainings which have been evaluated to determine equivalency and alignment with courses taught in Florida’s public state universities, Florida College System institutions, and school district career centers. The Law Enforcement Equivalency List, Effective September 2023, is herein incorporated by reference and located at ([DOS Link](#)). The list may be requested from the Office of Articulation, Florida Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

(b) Where the student’s law enforcement course(s) or training(s) are not found on the Law Enforcement Equivalency List, a public postsecondary institution or district career center must evaluate the student’s experience using its policies and procedures for awarding law enforcement credit or clock hours. Such policies must include evaluation of law enforcement coursework to determine equivalency and alignment with postsecondary learning outcomes and course descriptions.

(c) Where the student’s law enforcement course(s) or occupation(s) are found on the Law Enforcement Equivalency List, a public postsecondary institution or district career center must award a student the minimum number of credit hours or equivalent clock hours listed in the Law Enforcement Equivalency List, as appropriate toward the applicable program of study when the student’s record demonstrates that the student successfully completed the law enforcement course or training.

(d) To determine the postsecondary courses for which to award credit for law enforcement course(s) or training(s), institutions must consider each student’s program of study and the institution’s course offerings within each discipline area. The Law Enforcement Equivalency List contains aligned courses to guide course selection. When credits or clock hours are awarded for law enforcement experience under paragraph (16)(b) or (c) of this rule, credit must be awarded in the following rank order:

1. First, general education courses;

2. Second, program-specific courses; and

3. Third, elective courses.

(e) Florida course numbers on the Law Enforcement Equivalency List correspond to postsecondary courses on the Statewide Course Numbering System, described in Section 1007.24, F.S., or in the Career Education Curriculum Frameworks, described in Rule 6A-6.0571, F.A.C.

(17) ~~(46)~~ Statewide Mathematics Pathways. To facilitate seamless transfer of credits, reduce excess credit hours, and ensure students take the courses needed for their future careers, students entering the Florida College System in the 2024-2025 academic year and thereafter shall be advised of the mathematics pathway that aligns to the mathematics skills

needed for success in the corresponding academic programs aligned to their career goals. The Mathematics Pathways List contains the three mathematics pathways and associated gateway courses. Florida College System institutions shall align associate and baccalaureate degree program requirements to the appropriate mathematics pathway as identified on the Mathematics Pathways List. The Mathematics Pathways List, Effective February 2023, is herein incorporated by reference and located at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15154>). The list may be requested from the Office of Articulation, Florida Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

Rulemaking Authority 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1007.23(1), 1007.25, 1007.27, 1004.096(1) FS. Law Implemented 1007.01(2), 1001.64(8)(a), 1007.23, 1007.25, 1007.27, 1004.096 FS. History—New 5-5-75, Amended 10-7-75, 6-8-76, 8-22-77, 12-26-77, 3-28-78, 5-10-78, 7-2-79, 2-27-80, 5-27-81, 1-6-83, 4-5-83, 6-28-83, 1-9-85, Formerly 6A-10.24, Amended 8-4-86, 5-18-88, 5-29-90, 7-30-91, 10-4-93, 5-3-94, 1-2-95, 9-30-96, 6-15-98, 12-13-99, 8-14-00, 10-15-01, 9-22-03, 12-18-05, 12-23-14, 3-23-16, 8-23-17, 6-19-18, 6-25-19, 10-27-20, 8-23-21, 9-20-22, 2-21-23.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Kathy Hebda, Chancellor, Division of Florida Colleges.  
 NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Manny Diaz Jr., Commissioner, Department of Education.  
 DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: July 27, 2023  
 DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: June 20, 2023

### Section III Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

**DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION**

RULE NO.: 61-35.018  
 RULE TITLE: Harbor Pilots Departmental Forms  
 NOTICE OF CHANGE

Notice is hereby given that the following changes have been made to the proposed rule in accordance with subparagraph 120.54(3)(d)1., F.S., published in Vol. 49 No. 99, May 22, 2023 issue of the Florida Administrative Register.

The changes are in response to written comments submitted by the staff of the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee in a letter dated June 22, 2023. The changes are as follows:

**61-35.018 Harbor Pilots Departmental Forms.**

The following Harbor Pilots Departmental forms can be obtained at [www.myfloridalicense.com/dbpr/](http://www.myfloridalicense.com/dbpr/) or by contacting

the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0790, (850)487-1395:

(1) through (3) No change.

~~(4) Any pilot, group of pilots, or other person or group of persons whose substantial interests are directly affected by the rates established by the committee, may submit a completed form DBPR PRRC 1, Application for a Change in Rates of Pilotage, effective XX/XX/XXXX, adopted and incorporated by \_\_\_\_\_ reference, <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>.~~

Rulemaking Authority 455.203, 455.213, 455.217, 310.091, 310.102, ~~310.151(2)~~, 310.111 FS. Law Implemented 310.071, 310.073, 310.075, 310.121, 310.091, 310.102, 310.111, ~~310.151(2)~~, 559.79 FS. History—New 12-5-22, \_\_\_\_\_.

### Section IV Emergency Rules

**DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

**Florida Digital Service**

RULE NO.:  
 RULE TITLE:

60GGER23-1 Prohibited Applications

SPECIFIC REASONS FOR FINDING AN IMMEDIATE DANGER TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE: In accordance with section 112.22, F.S., the Department is authorized, and all conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules pursuant to section 120.54(4), F.S. The promulgation of this emergency rule ensures that public employers are notified in the most expedient and appropriate manner regarding the waiver process described in section 112.22, F.S.

REASON FOR CONCLUDING THAT THE PROCEDURE IS FAIR UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES: Section 112.22, F.S., expressly authorized the promulgation of emergency rules. The procedure is fair in that it establishes a temporary process for public employers to submit waiver requests related to the prohibited applications list and takes only action that is necessary to protect the public interest under the emergency procedures in a manner that treats all similarly affected public employers fairly. In accordance with section 112.22, F.S., the Department will undertake the standard rulemaking process to establish a final rule on this subject. In the interim, the Department will utilize the waiver requests submitted under the emergency rule to gain the knowledge and experience reasonably necessary to enable it to address standard criteria to be used in the waiver determination process in the final rule.

SUMMARY: This emergency rule establishes the temporary waiver process for public employers to submit waiver requests related to the prohibited applications list.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RULE IS: Zack Nations, Policy Manager, telephone: (850)510-7032, email: policy@digital.fl.gov.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE EMERGENCY RULE IS:

**60GGER23-1 Prohibited Applications.**

(1) Definitions. Capitalized terms used herein will have the meanings ascribed in section 112.22, F.S. “Form” will mean the Form FL[DS]-02(ER), Prohibited Application Waiver Request Form, eff. 07/23, and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15800>, which is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

(2) Prohibited Applications List. Pursuant to section 112.22, F.S., the Department is required to compile and maintain a list of Prohibited Applications, publish the list on its website, and update the list quarterly. In order to provide notice of the initial list and any list updates to Public Employers, the Department will publish a notice in the “Miscellaneous” section of the Florida Administrative Register that specifies the link at which the initial and updated list can be found on the Department’s website. Pursuant to section 112.22, F.S., unless a waiver is granted or the exception in section 112.22(2)(b)1., F.S., is met, a Public Employer is required to remove, delete, or uninstall any Prohibited Applications from Government-Issued Devices within fifteen (15) calendar days of issuance or updates to the published list.

(3) Waiver Process.

(a) Submission of Waiver Request. A Public Employer that desires a waiver to permit downloading or accessing a Prohibited Application on a Government-Issued Device must submit the waiver request to the Department on the Form. If the Public Employer requires a decision on the waiver within fifteen (15) calendar days of issuance or updates to the published list, then the Public Employer shall submit the Form to the Department no later than five (5) calendar days following publication of the notice in the Florida Administrative Register.

(b) Waiver Determination.

1. Forms Submitted within 5 Calendar Days. If the Department receives the Form from the Public Employer within five (5) calendar days of publication of the notice in the Florida Administrative Register, then the Department will provide notice to the Public Employer of its decision to either grant or deny the waiver request by e-mail to the e-mail address provided on the Form within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the waiver request. The Department may contact the Public Employer Employee listed on the Form to request any clarification on the information submitted in the Form that is necessary for the Department to make its determination. The Public Employer must provide such clarification within one (1) business day, which is deemed to be Monday through Friday,

inclusive, excluding state holidays observed in accordance with section 110.117, F.S. Failure to provide such requested clarification may result in denial of the waiver request.

2. Forms submitted at Other Times. If the Department receives the Form from the Public Employer at any other time, the Department will provide notice to the Public Employer of its decision to either grant or deny the waiver request by e-mail to the e-mail address provided on the Form within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of the waiver request. The Department may contact the Public Employer Employee listed on the Form to request any clarification on the information submitted in the Form that is necessary for the Department to make its determination. The Public Employer must provide such clarification within five (5) business days, which are deemed to be Monday through Friday, inclusive, excluding state holidays observed in accordance with section 110.117, F.S. Failure to provide such requested clarification may result in denial of the waiver request.

(c) Waiver Extensions. Pursuant to section 112.22(3)(b)3., F.S., any waivers granted must be limited to a timeframe of no more than 1 year unless the Department approves an extension. Unless a rule waiver is submitted to the Department in accordance with section 120.542, F.S., a Public Employer that desires an extension of a previously approved waiver must submit the extension request to the Department no later than sixty (60) days prior to expiration of the waiver. The Public Employer must submit the request on the Form. Rulemaking Authority 112.22 FS. Law Implemented 112.22 FS. History—New 07-27-23.

THIS RULE TAKES EFFECT UPON BEING FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE UNLESS A LATER TIME AND DATE IS SPECIFIED IN THE RULE.

Section V  
Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule  
Variance or Waiver

NONE

Section VI  
Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public  
Hearings

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS  
Southwest Florida Water Management District  
The Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.  
DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, August 8, 2023; 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: This is a meeting conducted by means of communications media technology (CMT). Join the meeting via Microsoft Teams from our website calendar at [www.WaterMatters.org](http://www.WaterMatters.org).

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** Public Supply Advisory Committee meeting: Anyone who wishes to provide public input will be able to do so by joining the meeting via Microsoft Teams. An additional telephone connection is available at (786)749-6127 and entering conference code 802-032-975#. Additional instructions regarding viewing of and participation in the meeting are available at [WaterMatters.org](http://WaterMatters.org) or by calling 1(800)423-1476 and requesting assistance.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: [WaterMatters.org](http://WaterMatters.org) – Boards, Meetings & Event Calendar; 1(800)423-1476 (FL only) or (352)796-7211

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: SWFWMD Human Resources Office Chief at 1(800)423-1476 (FL only) or (352)796-7211; or email to [ADACoordinator@WaterMatters.org](mailto:ADACoordinator@WaterMatters.org). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: [Barbara.Matrone@WaterMatters.org](mailto:Barbara.Matrone@WaterMatters.org); 1(800)423-1476 (FL only) or (352)325-5772 EXE0878

#### DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

##### Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

**DATE AND TIME:** August 21, 2023, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., ET

**PLACE:** 13000 SW Tradition Pkwy, Port St Lucie, FL

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** Treasure Coast Council business.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, FL 32399, or call: (561)837-5038, or email: [lrcopinformer@elderaffairs.org](mailto:lrcopinformer@elderaffairs.org)

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the

agency at least 72 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: (561)837-5038, or email: [lrcopinformer@elderaffairs.org](mailto:lrcopinformer@elderaffairs.org). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

#### DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

##### Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

**DATE AND TIME:** August 17, 2023, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., ET

**PLACE:** Alachua County Senior Recreation Center, 5701 NW 34 Blvd., Gainesville, FL 32653

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** North Central Council Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Dept of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, FL 32399, or call: (352)620-3088, or email: [lrcopinformer@elderaffairs.org](mailto:lrcopinformer@elderaffairs.org)

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 72 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: (352)620-3088, or email: [lrcopinformer@elderaffairs.org](mailto:lrcopinformer@elderaffairs.org). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

#### DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

The The Department of Management Services announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

**DATE AND TIME:** Monday, August 7, 2023, 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Dial in (Toll Free): 1(866)899-4679, United States: (571)317-3116, Access Code: 488-454-357, Audio Pin: (None) Select #

**PLACE:** Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Room 152, Tallahassee, FL 32399

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** The Joint Task Force (JTF) Technical Committee will discuss items to bring to the attention of the JTF Board regarding the Statewide Law Enforcement Radio System (SLERS).

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Gloria Watford, (850)412-6768, [Gloria.Watford@dms.fl.gov](mailto:Gloria.Watford@dms.fl.gov). The agenda and handouts will be made available closer to the date of the meeting at the following web address: [https://www.dms.myflorida.com/business\\_operations/telecommunications/public\\_safety\\_communications/radio\\_communications\\_services/statewide\\_law\\_enforcement\\_radio\\_system\\_slers/upcoming\\_joint\\_task\\_force\\_meetings](https://www.dms.myflorida.com/business_operations/telecommunications/public_safety_communications/radio_communications_services/statewide_law_enforcement_radio_system_slers/upcoming_joint_task_force_meetings)

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Gloria Watford at (850)412-6768 or by email at Gloria.Watford@dms.fl.gov. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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**DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

The Department of Management Services announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

**DATE AND TIME:** Tuesday, August 08, 2022, 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Room 152, Tallahassee, FL 32399 Dial in (Toll Free): 1(866)899-4679, United States: +1(571)317-3116, Access Code: 488-454-357, Audio Pin: (None) Select #

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** The Joint Task Force (JTF) Board of the Statewide Law Enforcement Radio System (SLERS) will meet to discuss matters pertaining to the network.

The agenda and handouts will be made available closer to the date of the meeting at the following web address:

[https://www.dms.myflorida.com/business\\_operations/telecommunications/public\\_safety\\_communications/radio\\_communications\\_services/statewide\\_law\\_enforcement\\_radio\\_system\\_slers/upcoming\\_joint\\_task\\_force\\_meetings](https://www.dms.myflorida.com/business_operations/telecommunications/public_safety_communications/radio_communications_services/statewide_law_enforcement_radio_system_slers/upcoming_joint_task_force_meetings)

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Millie Marchiano, (850)922-7435, Gloria.Watford@dms.fl.gov

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

Division of State Lands

**RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:**

62Q-15.013 Management and Sale of RICO Lands (Repealed)

The Department of Environmental Protection announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

**DATE AND TIME:** August 29, 2023, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Volusia County Commission Board Room, 123 W. Indiana Ave., DeLand, FL 32720

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** The Acquisition and Restoration Council (ARC), as defined in Section 259.035, F.S., announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited. The purpose of this meeting is for Council to take public testimony on the 2023 Florida Forever Cycle 2 project proposals and existing land acquisition projects.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Hank Vinson with the Division of State Lands at Hank.Vinson@FloridaDEP.gov, or by visiting the Department of Environmental Protection website beginning August 1, 2023,

at <https://floridadep.gov/lands/environmental-services/content/acquisition-and-restoration-council-arc>.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: George Frisby, Government Operations Consultant III, FCCM, Office of Environmental Services, Division of State Lands, George.Frisby@FloridaDEP.gov, Office: (850) 245-2727. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: Hank Vinson with the Office of Environmental Services at (850) 245-2314 or email: Hank.Vinson@FloridaDEP.gov.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

Division of State Lands

**RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:**

62Q-15.013 Management and Sale of RICO Lands (Repealed)

The Department of Environmental Protection announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

**DATE AND TIME:** August 30, 2023, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** UF/IFAS Extension Office, 2150 NE Roan Street, Arcadia, FL 34266

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling

The Department of Health, Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling, announces a CORRECTION to the date for the official Board meeting which was published in the Florida Administrative Register 5/25/2023 Vol. 49/102

DATE AND TIME: August 10, 2023, 8:30 a.m., ET

PLACE: Westin Lake Mary Orlando North, 2974 International Parkway, Lake Mary, FL 32746 (407)531-3555

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General board business.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: <https://floridasmmentalhealthprofessions.gov/meeting-information/>

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Sandra Williams, Program Operations Administrator by phone at (850)901-6481, by email at [sandra.williams3@flhealth.gov](mailto:sandra.williams3@flhealth.gov) or by mail at 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C-08, Tallahassee, FL 32399.

If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Sandra Williams, Program Operations Administrator by phone at (850)901-6481, by email at [sandra.williams3@flhealth.gov](mailto:sandra.williams3@flhealth.gov) or by mail at 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C-08, Tallahassee, FL 32399.

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

Board of Nursing Home Administrators

The Board of Nursing Home Administrator announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday September 26, 2023, 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: 1(888)585-9008/ 136-103-141#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Probable Cause Panel.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: <https://floridasnursinghomeadmin.gov/>

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Nursing Home Administrators. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: [MQA.NursingHomeAdmin@flhealth.gov](mailto:MQA.NursingHomeAdmin@flhealth.gov)

**FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION**

The Florida Housing Finance Corporation announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: August 24, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 N. Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301. The meeting will also be available via webinar. The webinar registration and access information for the review committee meeting is posted to the following website: <https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/developers-multifamily-programs/competitive/2023/2023-212>.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Review Committee Meeting will be to give the scores and to submit a recommendation to Florida Housing's Board of Directors regarding the responses submitted for Florida Housing Finance Corporation's RFA 2023-212 Housing Credit Viability Funding For Developments Located In Monroe County That Have An Active Award Of SAIL Financing And 9 Percent Housing Credits.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Bryan A. Barber, (850) 488-4197.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Bryan A. Barber, (850) 488-4197. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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**FLORIDA WORKERS' COMPENSATION JOINT UNDERWRITING ASSOCIATION, INC**

The FWCJUA Executive Compensation Committee announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: August 8, 2023, 10:00 a.m. (ET)

PLACE: Contact Kathy Coyne at 941-378-7408 to participate.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Executive compensation consultant engagement.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Kathy Coyne or at [www.fwcjua.com](http://www.fwcjua.com).

**FLORIDA WORKERS' COMPENSATION JOINT UNDERWRITING ASSOCIATION, INC**

The FWCJUA Audit Committee announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: August 9, 2023, 10:00 a.m. (ET)

PLACE: Contact Kathy Coyne at 941-378-7408 to participate.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Audit Committee Charter procedures checklist.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Kathy Coyne or at [www.fwcjua.com](http://www.fwcjua.com).

**FLORIDA WORKERS' COMPENSATION JOINT UNDERWRITING ASSOCIATION, INC**

The FWCJUA Investment Committee announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: August 15, 2023, 10:00 a.m. (ET)

PLACE: Contact Kathy Coyne at 941-378-7408 to participate.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Investment marketplace update; portfolio compliance review; and investment policy & guidelines review.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Kathy Coyne or at [www.fwcjua.com](http://www.fwcjua.com).

**HNTB**

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Florida's Turnpike Enterprise announces a hearing to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: Virtual/Online and phone-in: August 7, 2023, 12:00 p.m. (Options 1 and 2)

In-Person: August 7, 2023, 5:30 p.m. (Option 3)

PLACE: Option 1: Virtual/online via a computer, tablet, or smartphone

Option 2: By telephone in listen-only mode. Call 914-614-3426 and enter audio access code 381-082-736.

Option 3: In-person at Florida's Turnpike Headquarters located at Florida's Turnpike Milepost 263, Turkey Lake Service Plaza Building 5315, Ocoee, Florida 34761

If the in-person Public Hearing cannot be held on August 7, 2023, due to severe weather or unforeseen conditions, it will be held on the alternate date of September 7, 2023, at the same time and place.

Visit the project website, [www.Turnpike408to50.com](http://www.Turnpike408to50.com), to register for the Public Hearing, and to select your participation option. \*\*Please note that registration works best in Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge, or Firefox web browsers

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Financial Project Identification Number 444007-1

Efficient Transportation Decision Making Number: 14378

Project Description: Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study to Widen Florida's Turnpike (SR 91) from South of SR 408 to SR 50 in Orange County, Florida.

The proposed improvements include widening of Florida's Turnpike from south of SR 408 to SR 50 (Milepost 263 – 273) and SR 408 from Florida's Turnpike to east of the Old Winter Garden Road overpass, as well as milling and resurfacing, bridge construction, and interchange improvements. Interchange improvements were evaluated at SR 408, SR 429, SR 50 (Ocoee/Winter Garden), and SR 50 (Clermont/Oakland).

This Public Hearing is being conducted to give interested persons an opportunity to express their views concerning the location, conceptual design, and social, economic, and environmental effects of the proposed improvements. The Enterprise will provide several options as shown above to participate in the Public Hearing. Information presented at all attendance options will be the same.

All hearing materials that will be on display at the in-person hearing, including draft project documents, are available for public review on the project website, [www.Turnpike408to50.com](http://www.Turnpike408to50.com). Draft project documents can also be viewed from July 17 through August 17, 2023, at the Winter Garden Public Library, 800 E. Plant St., Winter Garden, FL 34787 (Monday-Thursday: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday-Saturday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.).

For assistance registering for the Public Hearing, or for additional information, please contact Project Manager Michael Leo, P.E., at (407) 264-3414, or by email at [Michael.Leo@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Michael.Leo@dot.state.fl.us). Persons wishing to submit questions or comments may do so at the hearing or may contact the Project Manager. All comments received or postmarked on or before August 17, 2023, will be included in the Public Hearing record.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Michael Leo, Project Manager. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Michael Leo, at the contact information provided above. If any person requires translation services (free of charge), please also advise the Project Manager at least seven (7) days before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice). For more information, you may contact: Project Manager Michael Leo, P.E., at (407) 264-3414, or by email at Michael.Leo@dot.state.fl.us.

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**QUEST CORPORATION OF AMERICA, INC.**

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

**DATE AND TIME:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

**PLACE:** Virtually on GoTo Webinar; By phone at 1-877-568-4108 with passcode 682-945-050; In-Person at Front Street Civic Center

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** The public meeting regarding project plans on U.S. 1 from Myers Drive to Crane Creek Bridge in Melbourne and Palm Bay, which was supposed to be held on August 1, will now be held on August 29. (FPID no. 448793-1)

The purpose of this project is to enhance safety for all modes of transportation and to resurface the corridor to extend the life of the existing roadway. The public meeting is being held to present information and receive community feedback.

The Department is offering multiple ways for the community to participate in the meeting. All participants, regardless of platform they choose, will receive the same information on the proposed project.

**Virtual Option:** Interested persons may join from a computer, tablet, or mobile device at 5:30 p.m. For this option, advance registration is required by visiting [bit.ly/43ICbkM](https://bit.ly/43ICbkM). Once registered, participants will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting online. Please use Chrome or Microsoft Edge as your internet browser to register or attend this webinar. If joining online, please allow adequate log-in time to view the presentation in its entirety.

**Phone Option (Listen Only):** Participants may join the meeting in listen-only mode by dialing 1-877-568-4108 and entering the passcode 682-945-050 when prompted.

**In-Person Open House Option:** Participants may attend in person by going to Front Street Civic Center, 2205 Front St., Melbourne, FL 32901 anytime between 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. to view a looping presentation and project displays, speak with project team members, and submit comments or questions. If attending in person, please remember to follow all safety and

sanitation guidelines. If you are feeling unwell, please consider attending the meeting virtually or by phone.

All meeting materials, including the presentation, will be available on the project website at [www.cflroads.com/project/448793-1](http://www.cflroads.com/project/448793-1) prior to the meeting.

FDOT is sending notices to all property owners, business owners, interested persons and organizations to provide the opportunity to offer comments and express their views regarding this project and the proposed improvements.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to FDOT compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting Melissa McKinney, FDOT District Five Title VI Coordinator, at [Melissa.McKinney@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Melissa.McKinney@dot.state.fl.us).

Information about this project is also available online at [www.cflroads.com](http://www.cflroads.com). Simply type 448793-1 in the search box, click "go" and then select the project. We encourage you to participate in the U.S. 1 Improvements Project public meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: n/a

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: FDOT Project Manager Jude Jean-Francois at 386-943-5487, or by email at [Jude.Jean-Francois@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Jude.Jean-Francois@dot.state.fl.us). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: FDOT Project Manager Jude Jean-Francois by phone at 386-943-5487, by email at [Jude.Jean-Francois@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Jude.Jean-Francois@dot.state.fl.us), or U.S. mail at Florida Department of Transportation, 719 South Woodland Blvd., M.S. 542, DeLand, FL 32720.

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**THE CORRADINO GROUP, INC.**

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

**DATE AND TIME:** Thursday, August 3, 2023, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Please use the following link to register for the virtual session: [https://bit.ly/Military\\_Dyer\\_Flag](https://bit.ly/Military_Dyer_Flag). If you prefer to dial in by phone, call +1 (415) 655-0052 and then dial the Audio Access Code: 247-834-908. The in-person session will be at The Corradino Group Field Office, located at 8895 N. Military Trail, Suite 101 B, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410.

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** Financial Management No.: 446103-1-52-01

**Project Description:** SR 809/Military Trail from south of Dyer Boulevard to north of Flag Drive in the City of Riviera Beach

The project improvements consist of milling and resurfacing the existing roadway, reconstructing sidewalks in select locations, upgrading pedestrian curb ramps to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, upgrading signalization at Dyer Boulevard, SR 710/Beeline Highway/Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard, and SR 708/W Blue Heron Boulevard, upgrading pedestrian signals, intersection lighting, pavement markings, and signing.

Construction will begin in August 2023 and is estimated to be completed in Summer 2024. The estimated cost is \$2.6 million. The Construction Open House will be held virtually and in person. The virtual public meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 3, 2023, from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., with a brief presentation followed by questions and comments from the public. The in-person open house is scheduled for Thursday, August 3, 2023, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at The Corradino Group Field Office, located at 8895 N. Military Trail, Suite 101 B, FL 33410, and will have an informal open house format. FDOT staff and consultant staff members will be available to discuss the project and answer questions.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: No agenda

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For more information, you may contact: Melissa Reading, Community Outreach Specialist, at (772) 577-8803 or by email at mreading@corradino.com.

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#### THE CORRADINO GROUP, INC.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, August 8, 2023, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Please use the following link to register for the virtual session: <https://bit.ly/442bhUL>. If you prefer to dial in by phone, call +1 (631) 992-3221 and then dial the Audio Access Code: 326-855-785. The in-person session will be at the Elisabeth Lahti Library, located at 15200 SW Adams Avenue, FL 34956.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:  
Financial Management No.: 446171-1-52-01

Project Description: SR 15/U.S. 98 Resurfacing Project in Indiantown

The project improvements consist of milling and resurfacing the existing roadway, widening the roadway shoulders to 12 feet (7 feet paved and 5 feet unpaved), and installing new pavement markings.

Construction will begin in August 2023, is estimated to be completed in late 2024, and has an estimated cost of \$20.8 million.

The Construction Open House will be held virtually and in person. The virtual public meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 8, 2023, from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. with a brief presentation followed by questions and comments from the public. The in-person open house is scheduled for Tuesday, August 8, 2023, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Elisabeth Lahti Library, located at 15200 SW Adams Avenue, Indiantown, FL 34956, and will have an informal open house format. FDOT staff and consultant staff members will be available to discuss the project and answer questions. Use of the Library meeting rooms does not imply Library endorsement of the aims, policies, or activities of any group using the room.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: no agenda

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For more information, you may contact: Samantha Kayser, Community Outreach Specialist, at (772) 579-5479 or by email at skayser@corradino.com.

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#### THE CORRADINO GROUP, INC.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, August 10, 2023, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Please use the following link to register for the virtual session: <https://bit.ly/3O6p9bt>. If you prefer to dial in by phone, call +1(415)655-0052 and then dial the Audio Access Code: 814-414-631. The in-person session will be at Vero Beach City Hall, Council Chambers, located at 1053 20th Place, Vero Beach, FL 32960.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:  
Financial Management No.: 446107-1-52-01

Project Description: SR 5/U.S. 1 Resurfacing Project from north of 6th Avenue to 12th Street in Vero Beach

The project improvements consist of milling and resurfacing the existing roadway, installing new sidewalks in areas where they are currently missing, installing bike lanes throughout the project limits, upgrading pedestrian curb ramps to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, upgrading lighting at the intersections of 8th Street and 12th Street to improve pedestrian lighting at the crosswalks, upgrading pedestrian signalization at the intersections of 8th Street and 12th Street, and upgrading signage and pavement markings.

Construction will begin in August 2023 and is estimated to be completed in Spring 2024. The estimated cost of \$2.84 million. The Construction Open House will be held virtually and in person. The virtual public meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 10, 2023, from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. with a brief presentation followed by questions and comments from the public. The in-person open house is scheduled for Thursday, August 10, 2023, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Vero Beach City Hall, Council Chambers, located at 1053 20th Place, Vero Beach, FL 32960, and will have an informal open house format. FDOT staff and consultant staff members will be available to discuss the project and answer questions.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: No Agenda

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Joshua Baker, FDOT Project Manager, at (772)429-4828 or by email at joshua.baker@dot.state.fl.us.

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For more information, you may contact: Samantha Kayser, Community Outreach Specialist, at (772)579-5479 or by email at skayser@corradino.com.

### Section VII

#### Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

NONE

### Section VIII

#### Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding the Validity of Rules

Notice of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Notice of Disposition of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

### Section IX

#### Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

NONE

### Section X

#### Announcements and Objection Reports of the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee

NONE

### Section XI

#### Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing

NONE

### Section XII

#### Miscellaneous

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Index of Administrative Rules Filed with the Secretary of State

Pursuant to subparagraph 120.55(1)(b)6. – 7., F.S., the below list of rules were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State between 3:00 p.m., Monday, July 24, 2023 and 3:00 p.m., Friday, July 28, 2023.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
60GGER23-1	7/27/2023	7/27/2023

61G1-12.001	7/24/2023	8/13/2023
65E-5.280	7/25/2023	8/14/2023
65G-2.001	7/28/2023	8/17/2023
65G-2.018	7/28/2023	8/17/2023
65G-13.001	7/28/2023	8/17/2023
65G-13.008	7/28/2023	8/17/2023
69N-121.003	7/26/2023	8/15/2023
<b>LIST OF RULES AWAITING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL SECTIONS 120.541(3), 373.139(7) AND/OR 373.1391(6), FLORIDA STATUTES</b>		
<b>Rule No.</b>	<b>File Date</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
40C-4.091	3/31/2023	**/**/****
40C-41.043	3/31/2023	**/**/****
40E-4.091	6/26/2023	**/**/****
60FF1-5.009	7/21/2016	**/**/****
62-330.010	4/28/2023	**/**/****
62-330.050	4/28/2023	**/**/****
62-330.055	4/28/2023	**/**/****
62-330.301	4/28/2023	**/**/****
62-330.310	4/28/2023	**/**/****
62-330.311	4/28/2023	**/**/****
62-330.350	4/28/2023	**/**/****
62-330.405	4/28/2023	**/**/****
64B8-10.003	12/9/2015	**/**/****
65C-9.004	3/31/2022	**/**/****

COASTAL RESOURCE STEWARDSHIP, ACCESS TO COASTAL RESOURCES and WORKING WATERFRONTS. 1. Rule Sections 62S-4.004 and .007, F.A.C, describe the procedures for submitting applications and the criteria by which applications will be evaluated. The CPI Application Form and a copy of Chapter 62S-4, F.A.C., are available on the FCMP Grants website at <https://floridadep.gov/rcp/fcmp/content/grants>.

2. Please note the following important information regarding the CPI grant process for FY 2024-25. Applications must be received by the Department no later than 4:00 p.m. (EST), October 2, 2023. Applicants must email the completed application and all required attachments to [FCMPMail@FloridaDEP.gov](mailto:FCMPMail@FloridaDEP.gov) or mail to the address below.

Florida Coastal Management Program, ATTN: CPI Application, Department of Environmental Protection, 2600 Blair Stone Road, MS 235, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400

3. Projects are anticipated to begin July 1, 2024 and must be completed within 12 months. Selected projects will be included in the FCMP application to the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) for fiscal year 2024-25. Maximum award of \$30,000 for planning, design and coordination activities, and up to \$60,000 for construction projects, habitat restoration, invasive exotic plant removal and land acquisition. Minimum CPI award is \$10,000.

4. Recipients are required to provide 100% matching contributions (cash or in-kind) in the form of goods and services that directly benefit the specific grant project. No more than 50% of match can be provided by a third party and none from federal funds.

5. There are additional requirements for applications involving construction, invasive exotic plant removal, habitat restoration and land acquisition, including:

a. To show the project is feasible and able to be completed within 12 months, applicants proposing construction, invasive exotic plant removal and habitat restoration must conduct a preliminary consultation with appropriate local, state and federal regulatory agencies to ensure there are no environmental concerns that would delay or prevent project startup. A summary of the consultation along with the 306A questionnaire must be included in the CPI application to be considered responsive.

b. Nonprofit organizations (NPOs) are not eligible to receive funds for construction, habitat restoration, invasive exotic plant removal, or land acquisition. Applications submitted by NPOs that propose these activities will be disqualified.

c. Pursuant to NOAA’s direction, Section 306A funds shall not be used for beach restoration, beach nourishment or projects that are predominantly hard structure erosion control.

d. Infrastructure projects must have a clear coastal management component.

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**  
Coastal Partnership Initiative Request for Grant Applications  
Coastal Partnership Initiative Request for Applications FY 2024-25

The Florida Coastal Management Program (FCMP) announces the availability of federal funds for innovative coastal projects under its COASTAL PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE (CPI) for fiscal year 2024-25. Proposals will be accepted from August 1, 2023, through October 2, 2023.

Eligible applicants include Florida’s 35 coastal counties and the local governments within their boundaries that are required to include a coastal element in their comprehensive plan. Florida public colleges and universities, regional planning councils, national estuary programs and nonprofit groups may also apply for CPI funds if an eligible local government is a signatory partner in the project.

The purpose of the Coastal Partnership Initiative is to promote the protection and effective management of Florida’s coastal resources in four priority areas: RESILIENT COMMUNITIES,



e. Construction and land acquisition activities occurring in designated Coastal Barrier Resource Act units are subject to additional review and approval by NOAA and/or the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

For questions or more information, please contact Mrs. Amy Harrison at (850)245-8398, or visit the FCMP Grants website at <https://floridadep.gov/rcp/fcmp/content/grants>.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Office of the Secretary

Florida State Clearinghouse

The state is coordinating reviews of federal activities and federally funded projects as required by Section 403.061(42), F.S. This includes Outer Continental Shelf activities and other actions subject to federal consistency review under the Florida Coastal Management Program. A list of projects, comments and deadlines, and the address for providing comments, are available at: <https://fldep.dep.state.fl.us/clearinghouse/>. For information, call (850) 717-9076. This public notice fulfills the requirements of 15 CFR 930.

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**Section XIII**

**Index to Rules Filed During Preceding  
Week**

NOTE: The above section will be published on Tuesday beginning October 2, 2012, unless Monday is a holiday, then it will be published on Wednesday of that week.

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