

Section I

Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

RULE NO.: 14-15.017
 RULE TITLE: Safety and Security Oversight Program Standards Manual for Fixed Guideway Transportation Systems

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To update requirements for safety and security oversight for Fixed Guideway Transportation System.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Safety and Security Oversight Program Standards Manual for Fixed Guideway Transportation Systems

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 341.061, F.S.
 LAW IMPLEMENTED: 341.041, 341.061, F.S.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE NOTICED IN THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Austin Hensel, Assistant General Counsel, (850)414-5290, austin.hensel@dot.state.fl.us

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE FROM THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED ABOVE.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Public Health Statistics and Performance Management

RULE NOS.: 64W-4.001, 64W-4.002, 64W-4.003, 64W-4.004, 64W-4.005, 64W-4.006
 RULE TITLES: Definitions, Eligibility Requirements, Documentation Requirements, Application Processing, Award Prioritization and Awards, Funding Methodology

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: These rules will amend the adopted rules establishing the requirements for the Florida Reimbursement Assistance for Medical Education (FRAME) Program, consistent with changes to statute pursuant to Chapter 2024-15, Laws of Florida (Senate Bill No. 7016). The function of the program is to make payments that offset loans and educational expenses incurred by students for studies leading to a medical or nursing degree, medical or nursing licensure, or advanced practice registered nurse licensure or physician assistant licensure.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Changes to the requirements of the FRAME Program.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 381.402(6) FS
 LAW IMPLEMENTED: 381.402 FS

A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATES AND TIMES: Tuesday, June 11, 2024, 1:00p.m. – 3:00 p.m. ET, or until the conclusion of the workshop, whichever occurs first.

June 27, 2024, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. ET, or until the conclusion of the workshop, whichever occurs first.

PLACES: June 11 meeting will be held at 4025 Esplanade Way, Room 301, Tallahassee, Florida; or on your computer, tablet or smartphone via Microsoft Teams by clicking here or visiting the following link: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_NzZmNmUxNjYtNjRmNi00ZDBhLTk1OWYtZmIyMWMzM2I2NWNl%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22id%22%3a%2228cd8f80-3c44-4b27-81a0-cd2b03a31b8d%22%2c%22oid%22%3a%229f731b19-6658-4244-9452-6a7d2a4f9c92%22%7d or by phone, 850-792-1375, conference ID: 478 390 05#.

June 27 meeting will be held at 4025 Esplanade Way, Room 301, Tallahassee, Florida; or on your computer, tablet or smartphone via Microsoft Teams by clicking here or visiting the following link: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ZGYzN2MwNmQtY2RlM00MTM5LTk4YWYtNmFlYzA4YjA0MTVh%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22id%22%3a%2228cd8f80-3c44-4b27-81a0-cd2b03a31b8d%22%2c%22oid%22%3a%229f731b19-6658-4244-9452-6a7d2a4f9c92%22%7d or by phone, 850-792-1375, conference ID: 856 523 173#

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: Jeff Johnson at (850)617-1471. 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 DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Jeffrey Johnson at (850)617-1471 or Jeffrey.Johnson@flhealth.gov. THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Public Health Statistics and Performance Management

RULE NOS.:	RULE TITLES:
64W-6.001	Definitions
64W-6.002	Eligibility Requirements
64W-6.003	Documentation Requirements
64W-6.004	Application Processing
64W-6.005	Award Prioritization and Awards
64W-6.006	Funding Methodology

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: These rules will amend the adopted rules establishing the Dental Student Loan Repayment Program, implemented as the Florida Reimbursement Assistance for Medical Education - Dental (FRAMEdental) Program, consistent with changes to section 381.4019, Florida Statutes, pursuant to Chapter 2024-15, Laws of Florida (Senate Bill No. 7016). The function of the program is to make payments that offset loans and educational expenses incurred by students for studies leading to a dental degree.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Changes to the requirements of the FRAMEdental Program.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 381.4019 FS

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 381.4019 FS

A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATES AND TIMES: Thursday, June 13, 2024, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. ET, or until the conclusion of the workshop, whichever occurs first.

Tuesday, June 25, 2024, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. ET, or until the conclusion of the workshop, whichever occurs first.

PLACES: Please join the June 13 meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone via teams by clicking here or visiting the following link: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MWQ5MTAyZDgtOTlhMy00MzY2LThlYzQtMjkwM2JhZjE3MmUx%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2228cd8f80-3c44-4b27-81a0-cd2b03a31b8d%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%229f731b19-6658-4244-9452-6a7d2a4f9c92%22%7d or by phone, 850-792-1375, conference ID: 284 033 026#.

June 25 meeting will be held at 4025 Esplanade Way, Room 301, Tallahassee, Florida; or on your computer, tablet or smartphone via Microsoft Teams by clicking here or visiting the following link: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_N2NIMzVhNmUtZjk2MS000Dc4LWJjNGEtYzVhZTUxZjE4MwY5%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2228cd8f80-3c44-4b27-81a0-cd2b03a31b8d%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%229f731b19-6658-4244-9452-6a7d2a4f9c92%22%7d or by phone, 850-792-1375, conference ID: 219 777 407 706

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: 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 DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Jeffrey Johnson at (850)617-1471 or Jeffrey.Johnson@flhealth.gov. THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE.

**Section II
Proposed Rules**

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

Health Facility and Agency Licensing

RULE NO.:	RULE TITLE:
59A-3.270	Health Information Management

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Agency proposes to revise the rule to incorporate recent changes from 2023-040, LOF related to reporting of patient immigration status data, as well as update Quality Measures and Patient Safety Information, AHCA Form 3190-2001OL, April 2021 to align with statutory requirements. **SUMMARY:** Rule 59A-3.270 addresses required hospital forms to be used for notification of observation status and patient safety/quality measures. The Agency proposes to revise the rule to incorporate recent changes from 2023-040, LOF related to reporting of patient immigration status data, as well as update Quality Measures and Patient Safety Information, AHCA Form 3190-2001OL, April 2021 to align with statutory requirements.

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: A SERC has not been prepared by the agency. For rules listed where no SERC was prepared, the Agency prepared a checklist for each rule to determine the necessity for a SERC. Based on this information at the time of the analysis and

pursuant to section 120.541, Florida Statutes, the rule 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: 395.1012, 395.1055, 395.301, 395.3015, 395.3027, FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 395.1055, 395.301, 395.1012, 395.3015, 395.3025, 395.3027, FS.

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: June 27, 2024, from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

PLACE: Agency for Health Care Administration, 2727 Mahan Drive, Tallahassee, Florida, 32308, Building 3, Conference Room A. You may also participate by dialing the Open Voice conference line, 1(888)585-9008, then enter the conference room number followed by the pound sign, 998-518-088#. The agenda and related materials can be found on the web at: https://ahca.myflorida.com/MCHQ/Health_Facility_Regulation/Rulemaking.shtml.

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: Kelli Fillyaw, 2727 Mahan Drive, Tallahassee, Florida, (850)412-4442. 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: Kelli Fillyaw, (850)412-4442, email: Kelli.Fillyaw@ahca.myflorida.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

59A-3.270 Health Information Management.

(1) through (12) no change.

(13) Information provided pursuant to Section 395.1012(3)(a), F.S., must be provided on Hospital Quality Measures and Patient Safety Information, AHCA Form 3190-2001OL, May 2023 April 2024, incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX> 13013. The form is available online at <https://www.floridahealthfinder.gov/index.html>.

(14) Patient immigration status quarterly reports. Pursuant to section 395.3027, F.S., each Medicaid participating hospital must submit admission and emergency department visit data to

the Agency no less than 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter. The Agency will review this rule five years from the effective date and repromulgate, amend or repeal the rule as appropriate, in accordance with Section 120.54, F.S., and Chapter 1-1, F.A.C.

(a) Separate quarterly reports are required for each licensed hospital. A hospital may submit single report for more than one campus according to the following:

1. All campuses share the same license number.

2. The primary campus is listed on the reporting form as the reporting hospital.

3. The reporting form lists all campuses included in that submission.

4. Failure to list a campus on the reporting form for a report covering more than one campus will result in the report being returned and deemed not accepted.

(b) The first report for a new hospital or a hospital that resumed operations after being inactive is due no less than 30 days after the end of the calendar quarter during which the hospital began or resumed operations.

(c) The calendar quarter begin date, end date, and corresponding due dates are:

Quarter	Begin Date	End Date	Due Date
1	January 1 st	March 31 st	April 30 th
2	April 1 st	June 30 th	July 30 th
3	July 1 st	September 30 th	October 30 th
4	October 1 st	December 31 st	January 30 th

(d) If the due date falls on a weekend or State holiday, then the due date shall be the next business day. For the purposes of this rule, a business day means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday as designated in Section 110.117, F.S.

(e) Reports must be submitted on Quarterly Patient Immigration Status, AHCA Form 3190-0121OL, March 2024, hereby incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>. The form is also available at <https://ahca.myflorida.com/health-care-policy-and-oversight/bureau-of-health-facility-regulation/hospital-outpatient-services-unit/hospitals/other-report-forms2>.

(f) A report is considered accepted according to the following:

1. The report is received by the due date.

2. The form is completed according to the instructions on the form.

3. Information reported is true and correct to the best of the licensee’s knowledge and is free from false representations of material fact with any required explanations included on reporting form in the exceptions or qualifiers section.

Rulemaking Authority 395.1012, 395.1055, 395.301, 395.3015, 395.3027, FS. Law Implemented 395.1055, 395.301, 395.1012, 395.3015, 395.3025, 395.3027, FS. History–New 9-4-95, Formerly 59A-3.214, Amended 10-16-14, 5-17-21,_____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Kelli Fillyaw
NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Jason Weida
DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 13, 2024
DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: February 27, 2023

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Hearing Aid Specialists

RULE NO.: 64B6-8.002
RULE TITLE: Qualifications for Trainees, Sponsors and Designated Hearing Aid Specialists

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rule incorporates an updated Department of Health form regarding the application for training program registration. There are also other minor changes within the form.

SUMMARY: The proposed amendment updates Form DH-MQA 1158 for the Hearing Aid Specialist Application Program Registration.

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: During discussion of the economic impact of this rule at its Board meeting, the Board, based upon the expertise and experience of its members, determined that a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) was not necessary and that the rule will not require ratification by the Legislature. No person or interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact at that time. 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.

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: 484.044, 484.0445, 484.0447(4) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.013, 456.0635, 484.0445, 484.0447(4), 484.045(2)(c) FS.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAR.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Ashleigh K. Irving, Executive Director, Board of Hearing Aid Specialists, 4052 Bald Cypress Way Bin C-08, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3258, (850)245-4462 or by electronic mail – Ashleigh.Irving@flhealth.gov

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

64B6-8.002 Qualifications for Trainees, Sponsors and Designated Hearing Aid Specialists.

(1) The Department shall temporarily certify, until the next Board meeting, only those applicants who meet the following requirements, in addition to those imposed by law:

(a) No Change.

(b) The applicant must complete the Hearing Aid Specialist Application for Training Program Registration, (Form DH-MQA 1158 (revised 04/20247/2023), hereby adopted and incorporated by reference, which can be obtained from the Board of Hearing Aid Specialists’ website at <http://floridahearingaidspecialists.gov/licensing/>), and at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15955>, and pay the appropriate fee; and,

(c) No Change.

(2) Through (3) No Change.

Rulemaking Authority 484.044, 484.0445, 484.0447(4) FS. Law Implemented 456.013, 456.0635, 484.0445, 484.0447(4), 484.045(2)(c) FS. History–New 1-12-84, Formerly 21JJ-8.02, Amended 8-12-87, 9-13-90, Formerly 21JJ-8.002, Amended 12-6-94, Formerly 61G9-8.002, Amended 6-2-03, 3-4-08, 5-26-09, 2-1-17, 1-12-21, 10-15-23, 2-6-24,_____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Board of Hearing Aid Specialists
NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Hearing Aid Specialists
DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: April 26, 2024
DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 9, 2024

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Division of Treasury

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

69C-6.003 The Plan; Prescribed Forms

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: This rulemaking adopts new forms to implement the Roth 457b payroll contribution option to the State of Florida Employees Deferred Compensation Plan (Plan) participants and to clarify and simplify the Plan’s investment policy for product selection and retention in Form DFS-J3-1541.

SUMMARY: The State of Florida Employees Deferred Compensation Plan will offer a Roth 457b payroll contribution option as well as amend certain policies and procedures to streamline the Deferred Compensation Plan.

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 Department’s economic analysis of the potential impact of the proposed rule amendments determined that there will be no adverse economic impact or increased regulatory costs that would 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: 112.215, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 112.215, F.S.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAR.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Rosemary Isham, Chief of Deferred Compensation, which can be emailed at rosemary.isham@myfloridacfo.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

69C-6.003 The Plan; Prescribed Forms

(1) No change.

(2) The forms listed below are incorporated into and made a part of this rule chapter by reference and shall take effect on the effective date of this rule. The forms can be obtained from

investment providers servicing the plan. A listing of authorized investment providers and the forms can be obtained from the Deferred Compensation Section, Division of Treasury, 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0346. The State of Florida Employees Deferred Compensation Plan may also be referred to as the “457b Plan.”

(a) through (p) No change.

(q) Form DFS-J3-1541 (effective MM/YY) (rev. 02/16)	State of Florida
http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref	Employees Deferred
http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref 06523	Compensation Plan
	Investment Policy for
	Product Selection and
	Retention —
	(Establishes the
	standards for the State
	of Florida Employees
	Deferred Compensation
	Plan; adopts criteria for
	the selection and
	retention of the Plan’s
	investment options;
	and provides a method for
	the quarterly evaluation
	and monitoring of the
	investment options)

(r) through (u) No change.

(v) Form DFS-J3-1256 (effective MM/YY)	Roth EZ
	Enrollment

http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref	Form – for participants to enroll in the <u>Deferred Compensation Program</u>
(w) Form DFS-J3-1263 (effective MM/YY) http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref	<u>Roth Participant Action Form</u> – used for most participant requests, including enrollment and account changes
(x) Form DFS-J3-1265 (effective MM/YY) http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref	<u>Roth Company to Company Transfer</u> – used when a participant wants to transfer funds between <u>Investment Providers</u>
(y) Form DFS-J3-1273 (effective MM/YY) http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref	<u>Roth Deferrals</u> from <u>Supplemental Pay</u> – used for a participant to defer special supplemental pay (accrued annual/sick leave) to the Plan

(z) Form DFS-J3-1289 (effective MM/YY) http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref	<u>Roth Conversion</u> – used to for the conversion from pretax to Roth
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(3) through (4) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 112.215(42) FS. Law Implemented 112.215 FS. History–New 1-1-87, Amended 10-7-87, 2-14-88, 2-19-89, 6-21-89, 8-7-95, 9-21-98, 6-11-02, Formerly 4C-6.003, Amended 8-26-04, 2-21-05, 7-9-06, 4-8-07, 6-26-13, 3-24-15, 3-20-16, _____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Rosemary Isham, Chief of Deferred Compensation
 NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Jimmy Patronis, Chief Financial Officer
 DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 23, 2024
 DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: April 23, 2024

Section III
Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

NONE

Section IV
Emergency Rules

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Family Safety and Preservation Program

RULE NO.: 65CER22-1 RULE TITLE: Standards for Unaccompanied Alien Children and Unaccompanied Refugee Minor Programs

SPECIFIC REASONS FOR FINDING AN IMMEDIATE DANGER TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE: On September 28, 2021, the Governor of the State of Florida signed Executive Order 21-223, declaring that the Biden administration’s refusal to faithfully enforce federal immigration laws has led to an unprecedented surge of illegal border crossings at the southwest border of the United States. In July 2021 alone, over 213,000 persons attempted to illegally enter the United States at the southwest border, the highest number in more than 20 years, and another 209,840 persons attempted to illegally enter in August. Note 1. For the entire federal fiscal year of 2021, over 1.7 million foreign nationals were encountered at the southwest border attempting to enter

the country illegally. Note 2. In the first quarter of this federal fiscal year, the reported number of such encounters stands at more than 518,000. Note 3. By contrast, in the last full federal fiscal year of the previous administration (federal fiscal year 2020), there were fewer than 460,000 such encounters, and in the fiscal year before that (federal fiscal year 2019), there were fewer than 980,000 encounters. Note 4.

The Biden administration has taken numerous actions to cause and further exacerbate this border crisis. It terminated the previous administration's Migrant Protection Protocol (MPP) program (also known as the "Remain in Mexico" policy), reinstated a "catch and release" policy, ended further construction of a border wall, and declined to detain and remove certain categories of illegal aliens who had been convicted of committing crimes. The administration's unlawful termination of MPP was successfully challenged in court, see *Texas v. Biden*, No. 21-10806 (5th Cir. Dec. 21, 2021), but the Biden administration is currently working to reimplement the program. Its other actions, however, remain in effect.

Notwithstanding that federal immigration law generally requires that aliens entering the United States without a clear right to be admitted (including applicants for asylum) must be detained pending further proceedings, see 8 U.S.C. § 1225(b)(2)(A), *id.* § 1225(b)(1)(B), the Biden administration has instead been releasing into the interior of the United States large numbers of illegal aliens apprehended at the southwest border. The U.S. Border Patrol released 60,559 illegal aliens from the southwest border in July 2021 alone and another 44,122 in August 2021, a massive increase from the 17 illegal aliens released in December 2020, the last full month of the previous administration. Note 5. During federal fiscal year 2021, the Border Patrol released in total more than 248,000 aliens apprehended at the southwest border, almost all of which occurred after January 2021. Note 6. This number does not reflect additional releases by other elements of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS). In an October 20, 2021 letter, DHS confirmed that at least 5,900 single illegal alien adults who were released at the southwest border have reported to an Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) field office in Florida. This number likely vastly underreports the number of released illegal aliens from the southwest border who have resettled in Florida because approximately 80% of aliens who are released at the border and are directed to report to an ICE office within 60 days reportedly fail to do so. Note 7. Because the Federal Government does not actively coordinate or consult with the State of Florida concerning the illegal aliens that it releases from the southwest border into the interior of the United States, the State of Florida has no knowledge about the backgrounds, criminal history, immigration status, or the status of removal proceedings for the aliens who have resettled in Florida. The State of Florida has brought a legal challenge to

the Biden administration's unlawful "catch and release" policy, which is now pending in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida. See First Amended Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief, *State of Florida v. United States*, No. 3:21-cv-01066-TKW-EMT (N.D. Fla. Feb. 1, 2022) (articulating harms to the State of Florida because of the Biden administration's "catch and release" policy).

The surge of foreign nationals attempting to enter illegally at the southwest border has included a large number of Unaccompanied Alien Children (UAC), defined by federal law as a child who has no lawful immigration status; has not attained 18 years of age; and, with respect to whom, there is no parent or legal guardian in the United States, or no parent or legal guardian in the United States available to provide physical custody and care, see 6 U.S.C. § 279(g)(2). Over 146,000 encounters at the southwest border for federal fiscal year 2021 involved UAC or single minors, compared to approximately 33,000 in fiscal year 2020 and 80,000 in fiscal year 2019. Note 8. For federal fiscal year 2022, the number of such encounters has already reached more than 85,000. Note 9. Under existing federal law, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) must take custody of these UAC and attempt to place them with sponsors in the United States until the UAC's immigration proceedings are completed. While the UAC await placement with a sponsor, HHS will often house the UAC in group home facilities or foster homes that are operated by private entities or individuals under contract with HHS and licensed by the states where the facilities or homes are located. It is estimated that at least 4,284 UAC were housed in group home facilities or foster homes in Florida over the last year. During federal fiscal year 2021, 11,145 UAC were placed with sponsors in Florida, more than the 10,773 UAC placed in California, a substantially larger state. Note 10. So far during federal fiscal year 2022, 6,659 UAC have already been placed in Florida. Note 11.

Neither DHS nor HHS actively coordinates or consults with the State of Florida, including the Department, on the UAC that are resettled in Florida. The State does not receive meaningful, if any, advance notice when UAC are transported to Florida and is not meaningfully consulted on the number of UAC that the State's child-caring resources and capacity could feasibly support without adversely affecting children already present in Florida and under the State's protection and care. Recently, the State of Florida discovered that, between May and October 2021, there were 78 flights that arrived in Florida likely transporting UAC. This occurred without advance notice to the Department and without the State's consent. The State is given no opportunity to object to the transportation or resettlement of UAC in Florida.

Moreover, the State receives no information on the background, criminal history, immigration status, status of removal

proceedings, or the sponsors of the UAC brought to Florida. See, e.g., Letter from Governor Ron DeSantis to DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, Resettlement of Illegal Aliens in Florida, Aug. 26, 2021; Letter from Acting ICE Director Tae Johnson to Governor Ron DeSantis, Oct. 20, 2021; Letter from DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas to Governor Ron DeSantis, Nov. 24, 2021. UAC are regularly placed with sponsors without adequate follow-up by HHS or the placement entities to ensure the safety and welfare of the UAC. According to a recent report, between January and May 2021, federal contractors responsible for placing UAC with sponsors across the United States were unable to reach the minor or the sponsor in roughly one of every three attempts. Note 12. Nor does the State have any assurance that the UAC are, in fact, minors. As a result of the chaos at the southwest boarder, there is a significant risk of insufficient and inaccurate vetting of people claiming protection as UAC. Many UAC are male teenagers nearing adulthood, and some are gang members when they arrive or later become gang members. Note 13. Recently, a 24-year-old Honduran national was charged with murder in Florida after having falsely represented his age and having been released into the United States as a UAC. Note 14. In short, the Federal Government has failed to provide the State of Florida with sufficient answers to its requests for information on the resettlement of illegal aliens, including UAC, so that their safety and the safety and welfare of Florida's citizens, including children already present in Florida, can be secured. The Federal Government's failure to enforce federal immigration law and secure the border, as well as the absence of meaningful coordination and consultation concerning the resettlement of UAC in Florida, are an immediate danger to the safety and welfare of Floridians, including its most vulnerable children, as well as recently arrived UAC. (The Federal Government's conduct with respect to the resettlement of UAC in Florida stands in stark contrast to the Federal Government's conduct with respect to the resettlement of Unaccompanied Refugee Minors (URM), where the Federal Government has a cooperative agreement in place with the State of Florida.)

To date, the Department has generally granted licenses to facilities that sought to house UAC brought to Florida by HHS. In light of the crisis described above, Section 8 of Executive Order 21-223 directed the Department to "determine whether the resettlement of unaccompanied alien children in Florida from outside of the state constitutes 'evidence of need' under section 409.175(5)(b)(1), Florida Statutes, sufficient to justify the award of a license under Florida law to family foster homes, residential child-caring agencies, or child-placing agencies that seek to provide services for unaccompanied alien children." "To the extent that such resettlement of unaccompanied alien children in Florida is determined not to constitute 'evidence of need' under Florida law," the executive order directed the Department to "amend, if necessary, Florida Administrative

Code Rule 65C-46.022, 'Standards for Unaccompanied Alien Children (UAC) Homes and Unaccompanied Refugee Minor Programs,' in accordance with state law, to reflect the Department's determination." In this Emergency Rule, the Department determines that an application for issuance or renewal of a license to house UAC or URM, who are being resettled in Florida from outside of the state, does not constitute "evidence of need," § 409.175(5)(b)1, Florida Statutes, "to protect the health, safety, and well-being of all children in the state" cared for by residential child-caring agencies, § 409.175(1)(a), Florida Statutes, in the absence of a cooperative agreement between the State of Florida and the Federal Government in which the State of Florida is entitled, at a minimum, to advance notice and meaningful consultation before the resettlement of such UAC or URM in Florida. The Emergency Rule also prohibits existing licensees from adding to their existing UAC population and imposes additional requirements to ensure that such licensees protect the safety and welfare of UAC that they place with sponsors in the state.

Given the ongoing crisis at the border, including the Federal Government's failure to enforce federal immigration law and to secure the border, the resettlement of UAC in Florida, its ongoing refusal to provide meaningful coordination and consultation, its failure to provide adequate protection for and supervision of UAC once they are placed with sponsors in the state, and its failure to adequately screen purported UAC (as evidenced by the recent murder charge brought against an adult foreign national who misrepresented his age to gain entry to the United States), emergency rulemaking is justified and necessary.

Note 1: Rebecca Beitsch, US-Mexico July Border Crossings Hit 20 Year High, *The Hill* (Aug. 12, 2021), <https://thehill.com/policy/national-security/567647-us-mexico-july-border-crossings-near-20-year-high>; see U.S. Customs & Border Prot., Southwest Land Border Encounters, <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/stats/southwest-land-border-encounters> (last updated May 3, 2022) (showing 213,593 for July and 209,840 for August).

Note 2: U.S. Customs & Border Prot., Southwest Land Border Encounters, *supra* note 1.

Note 3: *Id.*

Note 4: *Id.*

Note 5: See U.S. Customs & Border Prot., Custody and Transfer Statistics FY2021, <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/stats/custody-and-transfer-statistics-fy2021> (last accessed May 23, 2023).

Note 6: See *id.*

Note 7: See Mark Krikorian, Immigration Enforcement on the Honor System, <https://www.nationalreview.com/corner/immigration-enforcement-on-the-honor-system/> (July 16, 2021). In addition,

between federal fiscal year 2008 and 2019, “32 percent of aliens referred to [immigration courts] absconded into the United States” and did not report to their hearings. See Memorandum Opinion and Order, *Texas v. Biden*, No. 2:21-CV-067-Z, 2021 WL 3603341, at *4 (N.D. Tex. Aug. 13, 2021).

Note 8: See U.S. Customs & Border Prot., *Southwest Land Border Encounters*, supra note 1.

Note 9: See *id.*

Note 10: See Office of Refugee Resettlement, *Unaccompanied Children Released to Sponsors by State* (June 24, 2021), <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/orr/grant-funding/unaccompanied-children-released-sponsors-state>.

Note 11: See *id.*

Note 12: See Stef W. Knight, *Exclusive: Government Can’t Reach One-in-Three Released Migrant Kids* (Sept. 1, 2021), <https://www.axios.com/migrant-children-biden-administration-a597fd98-03a7-415c-9826-9d0b5aaba081.html>.

Note 13: See Camilo Montoya-Galvez, *U.S. Shelters Received a Record 122,000 Unaccompanied Migrant Children in 2021*, CBS News (Dec. 23, 2021), <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/immigration-122000-unaccompanied-migrant-children-us-shelters-2021/> (stating that nearly three-quarters of unaccompanied minors encountered at the border during the 2021 fiscal year were believed to be ages 15 to 17 and roughly two-thirds of the total were males); Kerry J. Byrne, *The Number of Adult Migrants Posing as Children at Border Surging*, N.Y. Post (Nov. 13, 2021), <https://nypost.com/2021/11/13/the-number-of-adult-migrants-posing-as-children-at-border-surging/> (reporting that about “30% of the MS-13 members arrested in recent years by ICE originally entered the U.S. as unaccompanied minors”); see also Written testimony of CBP U.S. Border Patrol Acting Chief of Carla Provost for a Senate Committee on the Judiciary hearing titled “The MS-13 Problem: Investigating Gang Membership As Well As Its Nexus to Illegal Immigration, and Assessing Federal Efforts to End the Threat”, Department of Homeland Security (June 21, 2017), <https://www.dhs.gov/news/2017/06/21/written-testimony-cbp-senate-committee-judiciary-hearing-titled-ms-13-problem#fn3>; Unaccompanied child immigration loophole releases MS-13 gang members, AP News (Jan. 13, 2019), <https://apnews.com/article/5d2784fb7c909b43791d6aea63339a6c>.

Note 14: See Adam Shaw, *Honduran Illegal Immigrant Charged with Murder Entered US Falsely Claiming to be Unaccompanied Minor: Report* (Nov. 4, 2021), <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/honduran-illegal-immigrant-charged-murder-entered-us-unaccompanied-minor>.

REASON FOR CONCLUDING THAT THE PROCEDURE IS FAIR UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES: The procedure is

fair under the circumstances because the Emergency Rule ends the State’s practice of facilitating the Federal Government’s UAC resettlement program without terminating existing licenses or otherwise permanently foreclosing the issuance of licenses for UAC in the future. Instead, going forward, the State will require a meaningful cooperative agreement with the Federal Government, including a commitment to resume full enforcement of the immigration laws and to secure the border, before issuing or renewing licenses for housing UAC. (The same principle will apply for licenses to house URM, but there is a cooperative agreement with the Federal Government already in place.) In the meantime, existing licensees will not be permitted to add to their existing UAC population and will be subject to additional obligations to ensure the welfare and safety of the UAC whom they place with sponsors in Florida, but their existing licenses will not be cancelled.

SUMMARY: The Emergency Rule addresses licensing requirements for any residential child-caring agency, child-placing agency, or family foster home seeking to provide services for UAC or URM. The Department has adopted Rule 65C-9.004, F.A.C., but it is awaiting legislative ratification. This rule provides that the resettlement of UAC or URM by the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) into Florida does not constitute “evidence of need” under section 409.175(5)(b)1, Florida Statutes, “to protect the health, safety, and well-being of all children in the state” cared for by residential child-caring agencies, § 409.175(1)(a), in the absence of a cooperative agreement between the State of Florida and the Federal Government. The Emergency Rule also prohibits existing licensees from adding to their UAC population and requires such licensees to conduct welfare checks of the UAC whom they place with sponsors in Florida.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RULE IS: Elizabeth Floyd at Elizabeth.Floyd@myflfamilies.com

THE FULL TEXT OF THE EMERGENCY RULE IS:

65CER22-1 Standards for Unaccompanied Alien Children and Unaccompanied Refugee Minor Programs (Renewal).

(1) Any residential child-caring agency, child-placing agency, or family foster home, as those terms are defined in 409.175(2), F.S., seeking to provide services for Unaccompanied Alien Children (UAC) and Unaccompanied Refugee Minors (URM) must meet licensing requirements herein in addition to the program standards for the type of license sought.

(2) For purposes of section 409.175(5)(b)1, F.S., which requires “evidence of need” to obtain a license, and section 409.175(1)(a), F.S., which provides that the purpose of the

licensure requirement is to “protect the health, safety, and well-being of all children in the state” who are cared for by residential child-caring agencies or family foster homes, or placed by child-placing agencies, the planned and organized resettlement of UAC or URM by the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services does not constitute evidence of need as required for issuance or renewal of a license for a residential child-caring agency, child-placing agency, or family foster home that seeks to provide services to such UAC or URM, unless such resettlement is governed by a cooperative agreement between the State of Florida and the United States Government. In the absence of such cooperative agreement, no license will be issued or renewed with respect to any residential child-caring agency, child-placing agency, or family foster home that applies to provide services for UAC or URM resettling to Florida, and any residential child-caring agency, child-placing agency, or family foster home providing such services under a current license to UAC or URM who have already resettled in Florida may not further place or take placement of any additional UAC or URM until a cooperative agreement is entered. For purposes of this rule, the term “resettlement” means the transportation of persons to Florida for the purpose of temporarily or permanently residing in Florida. The Department has no obligation to enter or renew a cooperative agreement with the United States Government for the resettlement of UAC or URM to Florida, and the Department may revoke or decline to enter or renew such agreement.

(3) The child-placing agency or residential child-caring agency, whichever is applicable, must ensure a contractual or grant agreement was executed between ORR and the child-placing agency or residential child-caring agency in order to provide care and services to UAC.

(4) The child-placing agency or residential child-caring agency, whichever is applicable, must ensure a contractual or grant agreement was executed between the U.S. Government and the State of Florida in order to provide care and services to URM.

(5) Care and supervision of UAC, URM, and dependent youth may not be provided in the same home or under the same license. The child-placing agency must ensure foster parents comply with this requirement.

(6) For a residential child-caring agency, the director and direct care staff must sign and comply with the plan applicable to the licensed setting. For a foster home, the child-placing agency must ensure the foster parents sign and comply with the plan applicable to the licensed setting. Residential child-caring agencies, child-placing agencies, or foster homes that provide services for UAC must use the “Plan for Unaccompanied Alien Children” Form, CF-FSP 5488, February 2022, incorporated by

reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14108>. Residential child-caring agencies, child-placing agencies, or foster homes that provide services for URM must use the “Partnership Plan for Unaccompanied Refugee Minors,” Form CF-FSP 5487, February 2022, incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14107>.

(7) The residential child-caring agency or child-placing agency, whichever is applicable, must conduct in-person welfare checks of any UAC that it places, or assists in placing, with a sponsor after the effective date of this rule to ensure each child’s safety and well-being.

(a) The welfare checks must be completed a minimum of once every six months until one of the following occurs:

1. The child reaches the age of 18;
2. The child permanently leaves Florida;
3. The child is removed from the United States;
4. The child is granted lawful immigration status; or
5. The residential child-caring agency or child-placing agency closes or is no longer licensed.

(b) The welfare checks must include:

1. Verifying the identity of the child through previously submitted photographs obtained by the child-placing or residential child-caring agency;
2. Taking a photograph of the child;
3. Looking for any unusual marks on visible parts of the body;
4. Speaking with the child about any issues he or she may be experiencing; and
5. Speaking with the caregiver about the child’s well-being and basic needs.

(c) The child-caring or child-placing agency must report the results of the welfare checks to the Department or, if applicable, the Florida Abuse Hotline as follows:

1. Suspected incidents of child abuse and neglect must be immediately reported to the Florida Abuse Hotline in accordance with Chapter 39, F.S.

2. If the welfare check does not reveal any of the incidents described in (7)(c)1. of this rule, then the report must be made no later than the fifth (5th) day of the month following the date the welfare check was conducted, e.g., if a welfare check is completed on January 15, then the report must be made no later than February 5. The report must include the following:

- a. Name of the child and date of birth.
- b. Date the welfare check was conducted.
- c. Name of the child’s caregiver.
- d. Location of the in-person welfare check.
- e. Statement affirming that there were no presenting issues or concerns.

f. Any indication that the child is no longer residing in or is temporarily relocated from the sponsor's home, to include that the child has been determined to be missing or the child's whereabouts are unknown.

(8) Any child-placing agency or residential child-caring agency that provides care to URM must adhere to all contractual and federal case management requirements when conducting in-person child welfare checks.

(9) The residential child-caring agency must ensure all direct care staff complete training hours on immigration in child welfare, cultural awareness, and human trafficking related topics, as outlined in section 4.3.6. of the Office of Refugee and Resettlement UAC Program Policy, March 11, 2019, incorporated by reference and available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13072>. The child-placing agency must ensure foster parents complete training hours outlined in 65C-45.002, F.A.C.

(10) The child-placing agency or residential child-caring agency must provide a copy of its education plan outlining how education will be provided.

(11) The child-placing agency or residential child-caring agency must develop policies and procedures on the administration and management of medication. A licensed health care provider must write or verbally order all nonprescription medications. Verbal orders must be documented in the child's file. The residential child-caring agency or child-placing agency must align all health and safety policies with ORR guidelines.

(12) The child-placing agency or residential child-caring agency must notify the Department of any changes in the contract/grant agreement with ORR, and submit an updated copy, to include ORR's decision to no longer utilize the facility.

(13) For purposes of this rule, the term "Unaccompanied Alien Child" has the same meaning as in 6 U.S.C. § 279(g)(2), and the term "Unaccompanied Refugee Minor" means an unaccompanied minor, as defined in 45 C.F.R. §400.111, who has met the federal eligibility standards for placement into the Unaccompanied Refugee Minor Program.

(14) This Emergency Rule will expire on August 25, 2024.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: May 27, 2024.

Rulemaking Authority 409.175(5) FS. Law Implemented 409.175 FS.

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 27, 2024

Section V Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

South Florida Water Management District

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

40E-6.221 Conditions for Issuance of Standard Permits

The South Florida Water Management District (District) hereby gives notice: On May 9, 2024, the District's Governing Board issued SFWMD Order No. 2024-029-DAO-ROW to Florida Power and Light Company (Application No. 240206-422897). The petition for waiver was received by the District on February 27, 2024. Notice of receipt of the petition requesting the waiver was published in the Florida Administrative Register, Vol. 50/42 on February 29, 2024. No public comment was received on this item. This Order provides a waiver of the District's criteria to allow the placement of a utility installation more than 10 feet from the right of way line of the C-103 Canal; Section 17, Township 57 South, Range 40 East, Miami-Dade County. Specifically, the Order grants a waiver from paragraph 40E-6.221(3)(j), Fla. Admin. Code, which governs the installation of buried utility parallel runs within Works or Lands of the District. Generally, the Order sets forth the basis of the Governing Board decision to grant the waiver as follows: 1) the proposed installation will not interfere with the District's current ability to perform necessary construction, alteration, operation, and routine maintenance activities; and 2) the Order granting a waiver from the subject rule is based upon a substantial hardship.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Juli Russell at the South Florida Water Management District, 3301 Gun Club Road, MSC 1410, West Palm Beach, FL 33406-4680; telephone: (561)682-6268; or by email at: jurussel@sfwmd.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Board of Cosmetology

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 13, 2024, the Board of Cosmetology, received a petition for variance or waiver filed by Antigona Merturi, Petitioner. Petitioner seeks a variance or waiver from Rule 61G5-29.011, Florida Administrative Code, regarding an Endorsement of Specialty Registration. Petitioner is seeking a permanent variance or waiver to obtain a Facial Specialist Florida State license without submitting a certificate of completion.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Krista Woodard, Executive Director, Board of Cosmetology, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida

32399-0783, Krista.Woodard@myfloridalicense.com
 Comments on this petition should be filed with the Board of
 Cosmetology within 14 days of publication of this notice.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B9-3.002 Qualifications for Examination

The Board of Nursing hereby gives notice: of the issuance of an Order regarding the Petition for Waiver or Variance, which was filed on November 30, 2023, by MiYonni Randall. The Notice of Petition for Waiver or Variance was published in Volume 49, Number 234, of the December 5, 2023, Florida Administrative Register. Petitioner requested a variance or waiver from subsection 64B9-3.002(3), F.A.C., entitled, "Qualifications for Examination," which states in part, for an applicant writing the examination for practical nurses on the basis of practical nursing education equivalency, a completed Practical Nurse Equivalence (PNEQ) Application Letter or an official certified transcript which sets forth graduation from an approved professional program is required.

The Board considered the instant Petition at a duly-noticed public meeting held February 8, 2024, in Altamonte Springs, Florida. The Board's Order, filed on March 19, 2024, denied the petition finding that Petitioner failed to establish that the purpose of the underlying statute would be met by granting a variance or waiver from subsection 64B9-3.002(3), F.A.C. The Board further finds that Petitioner failed to establish that applying the requirements of the aforementioned rule to petitioner's circumstances would violate principles of fairness and impose substantial hardship.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Joe R. Baker, Jr, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C02, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3252; MQA.Nursing@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B9-3.002 Qualifications for Examination

The Board of Nursing hereby gives notice: of the issuance of an Order regarding the Petition for Waiver or Variance, which was filed on January 24, 2024, by Tatijana Word. The Notice of Petition for Waiver or Variance was published in Volume 50, Number 21, of the January 31, 2024, Florida Administrative Register. Although Petitioner did not specifically mention a specific rule, it appeared that Petitioner sought a variance or waiver from subsection 64B9-3.002(3), F.A.C., entitled, "Qualifications for Examination," which states in part, for an applicant writing the examination for practical nurses on the basis of practical nursing education equivalency, a completed Practical Nurse Equivalence (PNEQ) Application Letter or an

official certified transcript which sets forth graduation from an approved professional program is required.

The Board considered the instant Petition at a duly-noticed public meeting held April 4, 2024, in Saint Petersburg, Florida. During discussion of the petition, Petitioner stated that she wished to withdraw her petition. The Board voted to accept the withdrawal of the petition. The Board's Notice of Withdrawal of Variance and Waiver Petition was filed on May 10, 2024.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Joe R. Baker, Jr, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C02, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3252; MQA.Nursing@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B9-3.002 Qualifications for Examination

The Board of Nursing hereby gives notice: of the issuance of an Order regarding the Petition for Waiver or Variance, which was filed on February 1, 2024, by Vanessa Delva Pierre. The Notice of Petition for Waiver or Variance was published in Volume 50, Number 23, of the February 2, 2024, Florida Administrative Register. Petitioner requested a variance or waiver from subsection 64B9-3.002(3), F.A.C., entitled, "Qualifications for Examination," which states in part, for an applicant writing the examination for practical nurses on the basis of practical nursing education equivalency, a completed Practical Nurse Equivalence (PNEQ) Application Letter or an official certified transcript which sets forth graduation from an approved professional program is required.

The Board considered the instant Petition at a duly-noticed public meeting held April 4, 2024, in Saint Petersburg, Florida. The Board's Order, filed on May 13, 2024, granted the petition finding that based on the information presented in the Petition for Variance and Waiver, and based on testimony, written or otherwise, of the Petitioner, and discussed at the Board meeting, the Board found that the purpose of the underlying statute would be or had been achieved by other means and that the application of the rule would create a substantial hardship or would violate principles of fairness.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Joe R. Baker, Jr, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C02, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3252; MQA.Nursing@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B9-3.002 Qualifications for Examination

The Board of Nursing hereby gives notice: of the issuance of an Order regarding the Petition for Waiver or Variance, which was filed on March 6, 2024, by Paula Johnson. The Notice of

Petition for Waiver or Variance was published in Volume 50, Number 47, of the March 7, 2024, Florida Administrative Register. Petitioner requested a variance or waiver from subsection 64B9-3.002(3), F.A.C., entitled, "Qualifications for Examination," which states in part, for an applicant writing the examination for practical nurses on the basis of practical nursing education equivalency, a completed Practical Nurse Equivalence (PNEQ) Application Letter or an official certified transcript which sets forth graduation from an approved professional program is required.

The Board considered the instant Petition at a duly-noticed public meeting held April 4, 2024, in Saint Petersburg, Florida. The Board's Order, filed on May 13, 2024, denied the petition finding that Petitioner failed to establish that the purpose of the underlying statute would be met by granting a variance or waiver from subsection 64B9-3.002(3), F.A.C. The Board further finds that Petitioner failed to establish that applying the requirements of the aforementioned rule to petitioner's circumstances would violate principles of fairness and impose substantial hardship.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Joe R. Baker, Jr, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C02, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3252; MQA.Nursing@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Optometry

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B13-4.004 Manner of Application; Approved Schools or Colleges

The Board of Optometry hereby gives notice: of the issuance of an Order regarding the Petition for Waiver or Variance, which was filed on March 29, 2024, by Ashcon Alizadeh. The Notice of Petition for Variance or Waiver was published in Volume 50, No. 64, of the Florida Administrative Register, on April 1, 2024. Petitioner sought a variance or waiver of subsection 64B13-4.004(2), F.A.C., entitled, "Hours Requirement" that states in part that an applicant who has graduated from an accredited school or college of optometry that does not require passage of the Applied Basic Science (Part I) portion of the NBEO examination as part of its educational curriculum who provides evidence in an NBEO score report that the applicant successfully passed the Applied Basic Science (Part I) portion of the NBEO examination shall qualify as having graduated from an approved and accredited school or college of optometry.

The Board considered the instant Petition at a duly-noticed videoconference public meeting held April 24, 2024. The Board's Order, filed on May 9, 2024, denied the petition finding that Petitioner had failed to establish that the purpose of the underlying statute would be met by granting a variance or

waiver from subsection 64B13-4.004(2), F.A.C. The Board further finds that Petitioner failed to establish that applying the requirements of the aforementioned rule to petitioner's circumstances would violate principles of fairness and impose substantial hardship.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Dayle Mooney, Executive Director, Board of Optometry, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin # C07, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3257, telephone: (850)488-0595, or by electronic mail – MQA.Optometry@flhealth.gov.

Section VI

Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

Division of Administration

The CRAFT Foundation, Inc. Technical Working Group committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 5, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Attendees may join the meeting via Zoom web conferencing online at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86337846596?pwd=VVIVdmljdG5RMVhBbDhBNTFCZ0VwQT09>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The CRAFT Foundation Technical Working Group will conduct a meeting to discuss and execute matters including but not limited to discussion regarding the development of recommendations for CRAFT Cycle Six and Existing Tree Therapies Round Three

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Tamara Wood (863)698-9276

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 2 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Tamara Wood at (863)698-9276. 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: Tamara Wood at (863)698-9276

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Division of Florida Colleges

The Florida State College at Jacksonville (FSCJ) District Board of Trustees (DBOT) announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Monday, June 3, 2024, 12:00 Noon – 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: FSCJ Administrative Offices, 501 West State Street, Jacksonville, FL 32202

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: FSCJ DBOT Deep Dive Budget Workshop

TIME: 12:00 Noon – 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Administrative Offices, Board Room 405

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: 1) Investment Performance Review; 2) Legislative/Budget Update; and 3) 2024/25 Budget Overview

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Kimberli Sodek, Office of the College President (OCP) Administration Support Manager (ASM) at Kim.Sodek@fscj.edu. Copies of the agenda for the workshop will be available for inspection beginning Tuesday, May 14, 2024, and copies will be provided upon written request and the payment of approved duplicating charges.

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For more information, you may contact: Kimberli Sodek, OCP ASM at (904)632-3205 or Kim.Sodek@fscj.edu.

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STATE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

The Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 11, 2024, 9:00 a.m. (ET) to conclusion of the meeting.

PLACE: Cabinet Meeting Room, Lower Level, The Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This is a meeting of the Trustees of the State Board of Administration to authorize the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund (the Fund) to file a Notice of Proposed Rule for Rule 19-8.028, F.A.C., Reimbursement Premium Formula, and to file this rule for adoption if no member of the public timely requests a rule hearing or if a rule hearing is requested but no Notice of

Change is needed. The rule and incorporated forms are available on the Fund's website: <https://fhcf.sbafla.com>.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Not available.

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FLORIDA COMMISSION ON OFFENDER REVIEW

The Florida Commission on Offender Review announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, May 28, 2024, TIME CHANGED to 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: There will be no in person Commission meeting. The meeting will be held via conference call. To participate in the meeting, call United States (Toll Free): 1(877)309-2073 and dial access code 337-350-165. For questions and correspondence from inmate supporters, please email inmatessupporter@fcor.state.fl.us. For questions and correspondence regarding victims' rights, please email victimquestions@fcor.state.fl.us.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Regularly scheduled meeting for all Conditional Medical Release cases and all other Commission business.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: The Florida Commission on Offender Review (850)488-1293.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

The Florida Public Service Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: All times are Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). *Spanish-language interpreter will be available. In-Person/Virtual Service Hearing(s): Tuesday, June 11, 2024,

9:30 a.m.*; Tuesday, June 18, 2024, 6:00 p.m.; In-Person Service Hearing(s): Wednesday, June 12, 2024, 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.*

PLACES: June 11, 2024: Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, FL; June 12, 2024: Citrus County Auditorium, 3610 S. Florida Ave., Inverness, FL (10:00 a.m.); June 12, 2024: Parks and Conservation Resources-Magnolia Room, 12520 Ulmerton Rd, Largo, FL (6:00 p.m.); June 18, 2024: Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, FL

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Docket No. 20240025-EI – Petition for rate increase by Duke Energy Florida, LLC. The purpose of the service hearing is to give customers and other interested persons an opportunity to offer comments regarding the quality of service the utility provides, the proposed rate increase, and to ask questions and comment on other issues. One or more of the Commissioners of the Florida Public Service Commission may attend and participate in this meeting. For questions, contact Commission staff, Shaw Stiller, by telephone at (850)413-6187 or by email at sstiller@psc.state.fl.us.

REGISTERING TO SPEAK AT AN IN-PERSON SERVICE HEARING

Customers may register to speak at the in-person service hearings in one of the following ways: (1) register using the PSC’s online registration form, which will be available at www.FloridaPSC.com, under the “Hot Topics” heading, (2) call the FPSC at (850)413-7080, (3) email speakersignup@psc.state.fl.us, or (4) register when you arrive at the venue. Online registration will open on May 24, 2024 at 9:00 a.m., and close on June 14, 2024 at noon. Please note that the order in which customers will speak is based on the order in which they register. If you have questions about the sign-up process, please call (850)413-7080.

SPECIAL VIRTUAL HEARING CONSIDERATIONS

Hearings conducted virtually will give interested persons an opportunity to provide testimony over the telephone. Persons wishing to testify at a virtual hearing must register in one of the following ways: (1) register using the PSC’s online registration form, which will be available at www.FloridaPSC.com, under the “Hot Topics” heading, (2) call the FPSC at (850)413-7080, or (3) email speakersignup@psc.state.fl.us. Persons wishing to testify must provide their name, address, and specify which hearing date they wish to testify. After registering to testify, either by email or phone, persons will be provided further instructions on how to participate, including the call-in number. Persons planning to testify should register as soon as possible, but at least two business days before the hearing where they plan to testify.

As always, the public may view a livestream of the service hearings online using the link available at

<http://www.floridapsc.com/Conferences/AudioVideoEventCoverage>. All witnesses shall be sworn under oath and be subject to cross-examination at the conclusion of their testimony. The hearing will be governed by the provisions of Chapters 120 and Chapter 366, Florida Statutes, and Chapters 25-22 and 28-106, Florida Administrative Code.

EMERGENCY CANCELLATION OF MEETING

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

The FAR NOTICE OF CUSTOMER SERVICE HEARING announces a hearing to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: All times are Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). *Spanish-language interpreter will be available. Virtual Service Hearings: Monday, June 10, 2024, 6:00 p.m.; Tuesday, June 11, 2024, 2:30 p.m.; In-Person Service Hearing: Thursday, June 13, 2024, 10:00 a.m.*

PLACES: June 10, 2024: Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, FL; June 11, 2024: Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, FL; June 13, 2024: Hillsborough Community College - Brandon Campus, 10451 Nancy Watkins Dr. – BADM 116/117, Tampa, FL 33619

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Docket No. 20240026-EI – Petition for rate increase by Tampa Electric Company. The purpose of the service hearing is to give customers and other interested persons an opportunity to offer comments regarding the quality of service the utility provides, the proposed rate increase, and to ask questions and comment on other issues. One or more of the Commissioners of the

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For more information, you may contact: Commission staff, Timothy Sparks, by telephone at (850)413-6216 or by email at TSparks@PSC.state.fl.us.

REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Emerald Coast Regional Council

The Florida-Alabama Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) and Intelligent Transport System (ITS) Working Group announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: May 28, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Virtual Meeting:

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

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United States: +1 (408)650-3123

One-touch: tel: +14086503123,,499410829#

Access Code: 499-410-829

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Escambia-Santa Rosa ITS (Intelligent Transportation System) Working Group meets monthly and is made up of representatives from Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties, the City of Milton, the City of Gulf Breeze, the City of Pensacola, West Florida Regional Council, and the FDOT.

The group works together to ensure the ITS system is comprehensive and includes a funding plan for the implementation and operation of a regional Advance Traffic Management System (ATMS) and a regional Traffic Management Center (TMC) and related infrastructure.

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All comments submitted at least 24 hours before are guaranteed to be read during the public meeting. Comments submitted after the 24-hour deadline will be recorded and disseminated to the Board. Please email publicinvolvement@ecrc.org with additional questions or concerns.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jill Nobles at jill.nobles@ecrc.org

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Participation is asked for without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who believe they have been discriminated against on these conditions may file a complaint with the Title VI Coordinator, (850)332-7976. 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).

REGIONAL UTILITY AUTHORITIES

Tampa Bay Water - A Regional Water Supply Authority
The Tampa Bay Water, A Regional Water Supply Authority announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 26, 2024, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. or until completion.

PLACE: Tampa Bay Water Administrative Offices, 2575 Enterprise Road, Clearwater, Florida 33763

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A public meeting of the Selection Committee for Regional Demand Management Program Administrator, Contract No. 2024-024. As a part of the selection process, the Selection Committee will meet to review and discuss the responses and ranking of the firms, determine if interviews are needed and review potential interview questions.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Records Department at (727)796-2355.

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For more information, you may contact: Records Department at (727)796-2355

REGIONAL UTILITY AUTHORITIES

Tampa Bay Water - A Regional Water Supply Authority
The Tampa Bay Water, A Regional Water Supply Authority announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: July 10, 2024, 10:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. or until completion, (if interviews are deemed necessary).

PLACE: Tampa Bay Water Administrative Offices, 2575 Enterprise Road, Clearwater, Florida 33763.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A public meeting of the Selection Committee for the Regional Demand Management Program Administrator, Contract No. 2024-024. As a part of the selection process, if interviews are deemed necessary, the Selection Committee will hear presentations and conduct interviews with short-listed firms in order to determine the highest ranking firm to recommend for award. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Records Department at (727)796-2355.

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REGIONAL UTILITY AUTHORITIES

Tampa Bay Water - A Regional Water Supply Authority
The Tampa Bay Water, A Regional Water Supply Authority announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 25, 2024, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. (EDT) or until completion.

PLACE: Tampa Bay Water Administrative Offices, 2575 Enterprise Road, Clearwater, Florida 33763

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A public meeting of the Selection Committee for The Request for Proposals for the As-Needed Professional Surveying Services, Contract No. 2025-002 thru 009. As a part of the selection process, the Selection Committee will meet to review and discuss the responses and ranking of the firms, determine if interviews are needed and review potential interview questions, if deemed necessary.

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DATE AND TIME: July 11, 2024 (EDT), 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. or until completion. (If Interviews are deemed necessary).

PLACE: Tampa Bay Water Administrative Offices, 2575 Enterprise Road, Clearwater, Florida 33763.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A public meeting for The As-Needed Professional Surveying Services, Contract Nos. 2025-002 thru 009. As a part of the selection process, if interviews are deemed necessary, the Selection Committee will hear presentations and conduct interviews with short-listed firms in order to determine the highest ranking firms to recommend for award.

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Board of Accountancy

The Florida Board of Accountancy Committee on Continuing Professional Education announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 21, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Teleconference

Dial-In-Number: (888)585-9008

Conference Room Number: 624-410-563

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Committee on Continuing Professional Education will meet to discuss items relating to CPE credits.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Karan Lee, Florida Board of Accountancy, 240 NW 76th Drive, Suite A, Gainesville, Florida 32607

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For more information, you may contact: Karan Lee

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Medicine

The Florida Board of Medicine's Rules/Legislative Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, June 6, 2024, 3:00 p.m., EDT, or soon thereafter.

PLACE: The AC Hotel Tallahassee Universities at the Capitol, 801 South Gadsden Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301. The hotel's phone number is (850)392-7700. The hotel's website is Tallahassee Hotel | AC Hotel Tallahassee Universities at the Capitol (marriott.com).

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General business of the Committee. Committee meetings may be canceled prior to the meeting date. Please check the Board's website at <https://flboardofmedicine.gov/meeting-information> for cancellations or changes to the meeting date or time or call the Board at (850)245-4131 for more information.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Optometry

The Board of Optometry announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, July 17, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: <https://meet.goto.com/657244669>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General board business, to include licensure.

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

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For more information, you may contact: MQA.Optometry@flhealth.gov

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Emergency Preparedness and Community Support
The Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Oversight, Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Program announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, June 6, 2025, 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., EST

PLACE: Via Webinar and Conference Call

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+1(850)792-1375,,439256635# United States, Tallahassee

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GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct general business of the Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Advisory Council. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Kimberly Robinson by email: Kimberly.Robinson@flhealth.gov, or by phone: (850)245-4967.

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FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

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

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, June 12, 2024, 2:00 p.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/2024/2024-305>.

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 2024-305 Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Financing for Affordable Housing Developments Located In Hurricane Sally Impacted Areas.

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

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FLORIDA ATLANTIC RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The Florida Atlantic Research and Development Authority announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: CANCELLED June 5, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: MEETING CANCELLED

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: MEETING CANCELLED

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

FLORIDA LIFE & HEALTH INSURANCE GUARANTY ASSOCIATION

The Florida Life & Health Insurance Guaranty Association announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: May 31, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Virtual Meeting

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General matters of the Board.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Brad Taman, (850)523-1870

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FLORIDA SURPLUS LINES SERVICE OFFICE

The Florida Surplus Lines Service Office, Board of Governors', announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, August 6, 2024, 9:00 a.m., EST

PLACE: JW Marriott Tampa Water Street, 501 Water Street, Tampa, Florida 33602

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Quarterly Business Meeting General Business Matters.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Georgie Barrett at gbarrett@fslso.com

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 2 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Georgie Barrett at gbarrett@fslso.com or (800)562-4496, x111. 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).

CONCRETE MASONRY EDUCATION COUNCIL

The Florida Concrete Masonry Education Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 19, 2024, 9:15 a.m.

PLACE: Video Conference Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Meeting ID: 258 115 503 491

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jennifer Starr, Interim Executive Director, at: jstarr@pcgus.com or via the Council's website: <http://www.floridamasonrycouncil.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 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Jennifer Starr at jstarr@pcgus.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).

For more information, you may contact: Jennifer Starr, Interim Executive Director, at: jstarr@pcgus.com.

TALLAHASSEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE – FLORIDA PUBLIC SAFETY INSTITUTE

The FDLE CJSTC Region III Training Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: August 21, 2024, 3:30 p.m.

PLACE: Conference Center Building, 75 College Drive, Havana, FL 32333

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General business meeting and election of officers.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: <https://www.tcc.fl.edu/about/locations/florida-public-safety-institute/region-iii-training-council/>

For more information, you may contact: (850)201-7000

TALLAHASSEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE – FLORIDA PUBLIC SAFETY INSTITUTE

The FDLE CJSTC Region XV Training Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: August 21, 2024, 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Conference Center, 75 College Dr, Havana, FL 32333

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
General business meeting and election of officers

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting:
<https://www.tcc.fl.edu/about/locations/florida-public-safety-institute/region-xv-training-council/>

Section VII

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Nursing has received the petition for declaratory statement from Dawn Thompson, on May 16, 2024. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of Section 464.003(19)(b), F.S., as it applies to the petitioner.

The Petitioner seeks a Declaratory Statement from the Board as to whether it is within the scope of practice of Petitioner as a Florida licensed registered nurse (RN), to assist in a regional block by pulling back the plunger on the syringe to aspirate to verify placement and then to push the medication into the regional space under the verbal direction of an anesthesiologist. Except for good cause shown, motions for leave to intervene must be filed within 21 days after the publication of this notice. A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Joe R. Baker, Jr., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C02, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, MQA.Nursing@flhealth.gov, or by telephone at (850)245-4125.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Nursing has issued an order disposing of the petition for declaratory statement filed by Sydney Canfield, RN, on January 22, 2024. The following is a summary of the agency's disposition of the petition:

The Notice of Petition for Declaratory Statement was published in Volume 50, No. 20, of the January 30, 2024, Florida Administrative Register. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of Section 464.003(2), F.S., as it applies to the Petitioner. The Petitioner seeks a Declaratory Statement from the Board as to whether it is within the scope of practice for a Florida Registered Nurse to be delegated the task of medication administration of Botox Cosmetic, Xeomin, Jeuveau, and Dysport from a licensed physician or a FNP-BC who performed a patient exam, wrote the order for the prescribed aesthetic neurotoxin medication treatment with a description of the muscles to be injected and the number of units per injection site. At the duly-noticed public meeting held on

April 4, 2024, in Saint Petersburg, Florida, the Board discussed the Petition for Declaratory Statement and found that under the specific facts of the petition and the presentation of Petitioner's experience and supervision parameters to the Board, it is within the scope of Petitioner's specific and particular education, training, and experience and that she can be delegated the task of administering Botox Cosmetic, Xeomin, Jeuveau, and Dysport. The delegation must be from a physician licensed pursuant to Chapter 458 or 459, Florida Statutes. Direct supervision means that the physician has visualization of the injection. Also, Petitioner's participation must be set forth in the informed consent provided to the patient. With these parameters, the answer to her request would be "yes." The Board's Final Order was filed on May 10, 2024.

A copy of the Order Disposing of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Joe R. Baker, Jr., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C02, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, MQA.Nursing@flhealth.gov, or by telephone at (850)245-4125.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Nursing has issued an order disposing of the petition for declaratory statement filed by Christina Cremeans, RN, on February 01, 2024. The following is a summary of the agency's disposition of the petition:

The Notice of Petition for Declaratory Statement was published in Volume 50, No. 45, of the March 5, 2024, Florida Administrative Register. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of Section 464.003(2), F.S., as it applies to the Petitioner. The Petitioner seeks a Declaratory Statement from the Board as to whether it is within the scope of practice for a Florida Registered Nurse to be delegated the task of medication administration of Botox Cosmetic from a licensed physician or an APRN-C, who performed a patient exam, wrote the order for the medication treatment with a description of the muscles to be injected and the number of units per injection site. The written order would then be followed and performed under the direct supervision of the licensed physician or the APRN-C. At the duly-noticed public meeting held on April 4, 2024, in Saint Petersburg, Florida, the Board discussed the Petition for Declaratory Statement and found that under the specific facts of the petition and the presentation of Petitioner's experience and supervision parameters to the Board, it is within the scope of Petitioner's specific and particular education, training, and experience and that she can be delegated the task of administering Botox Cosmetic from a physician. The delegation must be from a physician licensed pursuant to Chapter 458 or 459, Florida Statutes. Direct

supervision means that the physician has visualization of the injection. Also, Petitioner’s participation must be set forth in the informed consent provided to the patient. The Board found that an advanced practice registered nurse cannot be the “supervising physician” providing the direct supervision of Petitioner when she is injecting the Botox Cosmetic. With the exception of having the Botox administration delegated and supervised by an advanced practice registered nurse and if within the parameters set forth herein, the answer to her request would be “yes.” The Board’s Final Order was filed on May 10, 2024.

A copy of the Order Disposing of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Joe R. Baker, Jr., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C02, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, MQA.Nursing@flhealth.gov, or by telephone at (850)245-4125.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B9-4.001 Definitions

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Nursing has issued an order disposing of the petition for declaratory statement filed by Leslie A. Barstow, APRN, on January 30, 2024. The following is a summary of the agency's disposition of the petition: The Notice of Petition for Declaratory Statement was published in Volume 50, No. 23, of the February 2, 2024, Florida Administrative Register. The petition seeks the agency’s opinion as to the applicability of Section 464.0123(3)(a)1., F.S. and Rule 64B9-4.001, Florida Administrative Code, as it applies to the Petitioner. The Petitioner seeks a Declaratory Statement from the Board and asks the following question regarding Petitioner as a Florida licensed APRN, with an autonomous APRN license: Is Petitioner able to legally provide to patients located within the state of Florida the following services: health promotion, assessment, evaluation, counseling, patient education, and diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic behavioral and mental health conditions in an autonomous manner and without having to be under the protocol of a physician? At the duly-noticed public meeting held on April 4, 2024, in Saint Petersburg, Florida, the Board discussed the Petition for Declaratory Statement and found that the performance of the services and treatment described in the petition require a mental health specialty certification. Because the practice is mental health specialty focused, the Board found that the practice did not fall within the definition of primary care practice contained in Rule 64B9-4.001(12), Florida Administrative Code. Based on the practice model described in the petition not falling within the definition of primary care practice for an autonomous

advanced registered nurse practitioner, the Board stated the answer to Petitioner’s question is “no.” The Board’s Final Order was filed on May 10, 2024.

A copy of the Order Disposing of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Joe R. Baker, Jr., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C02, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, MQA.Nursing@flhealth.gov, or by telephone at (850)245-4125.

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

LT. NICHOLAS HUCKABEE, vs. DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES, DIVISION OF HIGHWAY PATROL,; CASE NO.: 24-0960RU; RULE NO.: 60L-36.; Dismissed

Section X
Announcements and Objection Reports of
the Joint Administrative Procedures
Committee

NONE

Section XI
Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and
Purchasing

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

Division of Aquaculture

Aquaculture in the Classroom (AITC) - Expanding Aquaculture Education and Experiential Learning at Florida K-12 Schools through Teacher Training

On June 20-21, 2024, the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS), in partnership with the Florida Aquaculture Association (FAA), will be hosting a 2-day hands-on training workshop focused on aquaculture education for K-12 science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) and agriculture educators in Florida. The training workshop will be held at the University of Florida Indian River Research and Education Center (IRREC) in Ft. Pierce, Florida [2199 South Rock Road, Fort Pierce, FL 34945].

Florida's aquaculture industry is diverse and expansive, but basic awareness of aquaculture is still a critical need in K-12 classrooms. By teaching aquaculture in our Florida schools, we can not only offer an engaging hands-on learning opportunity for a multitude of disciplines but help meet an increasing demand for skilled aquaculture professionals in Florida, the U.S. and around the world

This intensive, hands-on aquaculture education workshop will provide educators with all the knowledge and know-how to start their own aquaculture systems. In addition, the project team will concurrently open two competitive application and award processes for award supplies for a recirculating aquaculture system (RAS):

The first award will include all necessary equipment for a fully operational RAS system. This award will be limited to 12 schools, and priority will be given to those applicants that do not already have existing aquaponics/aquaculture systems at their school.

The second award will be for materials to supplement and expand existing systems. Applicants are asked to request specific equipment (plumbing, pumps, tanks, grow beds, etc.) in their application. The number of awardees for this section will also be limited depending on funding and availability, and priority will be given to those schools with existing systems and aquaculture programs.

If you're a teacher that would like to learn more or complete an application for the workshop and awards, please visit the Division's website at www.FDACS.gov/Divisions-Offices/Aquaculture. The deadline to submit applications is May 31, 2024 at 5:00 p.m., EST. Late submissions will not be accepted. For more information, contact Aquaculture_Education@FDACS.gov.

**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., Friday, May 17, 2024, and 3:00 p.m., Thursday, May 23, 2024.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
5H-17.002	5/22/2024	6/11/2024
5H-17.003	5/22/2024	6/11/2024
5H-17.004	5/22/2024	6/11/2024
5H-17.005	5/22/2024	6/11/2024
61M-1.001	5/23/2024	6/12/2024
61M-1.002	5/23/2024	6/12/2024
62S-7.010	5/22/2024	7/1/2024
62S-7.011	5/22/2024	7/1/2024
62S-7.012	5/22/2024	7/1/2024
62S-7.014	5/22/2024	7/1/2024
62S-7.020	5/22/2024	7/1/2024
73B-21.002	5/17/2024	6/6/2024
73B-21.003	5/17/2024	6/6/2024
73B-21.0031	5/17/2024	6/6/2024
73B-21.0032	5/17/2024	6/6/2024
73B-21.005	5/17/2024	6/6/2024
73B-21.008	5/17/2024	6/6/2024
73B-21.009	5/17/2024	6/6/2024
73B-21.010	5/17/2024	6/6/2024
73B-21.011	5/17/2024	6/6/2024
73B-21.012	5/17/2024	6/6/2024
73B-22.008	5/17/2024	6/6/2024
73B-22.009	5/17/2024	6/6/2024

LIST OF RULES AWAITING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL SECTIONS 120.541(3), 373.139(7) AND/OR 373.1391(6), FLORIDA STATUTES

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
40B-400.091	2/8/2024	**/**/****
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	**/**/****

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Division of Motor Vehicles

Notice of Publication for a New Point Franchise Motor Vehicle Dealer

Notice of Publication for a New Point Franchise Motor Vehicle Dealer in a County of More than 300,000 Population

Pursuant to section 320.642, Florida Statutes, notice is given that Triumph Motorcycles America Ltd, intends to allow the establishment of King of Dreams MC, LLC, dba Bert’s Black Pearl Triumph as a dealership for the sale of motorcycles manufactured by Triumph Motorcycles America Ltd (TRUM) at 14607 Ben C Pratt/6 Mile Cypress Pkwy, Fort Myers, (Lee County), Florida, 33912, on or after June 16, 2024.

The name and address of the dealer operator(s) and principal investor(s) of King of Dreams MC, LLC dba Bert’s Black Pearl Triumph are dealer operator(s): Robert W. King II, 417 Borders Ct, South Lake, Texas 76092-9425, Gilford W. Gibson, 6081 Tarpon Estates Blvd, Cape Coral, Florida 33914-8108; principal investor(s): Robert W. King II, 417 Borders Ct, South Lake, Texas 76092-9425, Gilford W. Gibson, 6081 Tarpon Estates Blvd, Cape Coral, Florida 33914-8108.

The notice indicates intent to establish the new point location in a county of more than 300,000 population, according to the latest population estimates of the University of Florida, Bureau of Economic and Business Research.

Certain dealerships of the same line-make may have standing, pursuant to section 320.642, Florida Statutes to file a petition or complaint protesting the application.

Written petitions or complaints must be received by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice and must be submitted to: Sondra L. Howard, Administrator, Dealer License Section, Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Room A-312 MS65, Neil Kirkman Building, 2900 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0635.

A copy of such petition or complaint must also be sent by US Mail to: Sharon Leforce, Triumph Motorcycles America Ltd, 100 Hartsfield Center Parkway Suite 200, Atlanta, Georgia, 30354.

If no petitions or complaints are received within 30 days of the date of publication, a final order will be issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles approving the establishment of the dealership, subject to the applicant's compliance with the provisions of Chapter 320, Florida Statutes.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Division of Motor Vehicles

Establishment of KWJA, Inc., dba Keys Automotive Sales and Service, line-make SRCP

Notice of Publication for a New Point Franchise Motor Vehicle Dealer in a County of Less than 300,000 Population

Pursuant to section 320.642, Florida Statutes, notice is given that Star EV Corporation, intends to allow the establishment of KWJA, Inc., dba Keys Automotive Sales and Service, as a dealership for the sale of low-speed vehicles manufactured by Star EV Corporation (line-make SRCP) at 3424 N Roosevelt Blvd, Key West, (Monroe County), Florida 33040, on or after June 23, 2024.

The name and address of the dealer operator(s) and principal investor(s) of KWJA, Inc., are dealer operator(s): Tom Crane, 3424 N Roosevelt Blvd, Key West, Florida 33040, principal investor(s): Tom Crane, 3424 N Roosevelt Blvd, Key West, Florida 33040.

The notice indicates intent to establish the new point location in a county of less than 300,000 population, according to the latest population estimates of the University of Florida, Bureau of Economic and Business Research.

Certain dealerships of the same line-make may have standing, pursuant to section 320.642, Florida Statutes, to file a petition or complaint protesting the application.

Written petitions or complaints must be received by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice and must be submitted to: Sondra L. Howard, Administrator, Dealer License Section, Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Room A-312 MS65, Neil Kirkman Building, 2900 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0635.

A copy of such petition or complaint must also be sent by US Mail to: Jane Zhang, Star EV Corporation, 378 Neely Ferry Rd, Simpsonville, South Carolina 29680.

If no petitions or complaints are received within 30 days of the date of publication, a final order will be issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles approving the establishment of the dealership, subject to the applicant's compliance with the provisions of Chapter 320, Florida Statutes.

STATE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Estimated Capacity

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the State Board of Administration of Florida (the "Board") of the estimated borrowing capacity, estimated claims-paying capacity, and projected balance of the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund (the "Fund") as of December 31, 2024, in compliance with the requirements of Section 215.555(4)(c)2., Florida Statutes. These estimates relate to the 2024-2025 Reimbursement Contract Year. The projected year-end fund balance available for reimbursement of participating insurers on December 31, 2024, is estimated to be \$6.91 billion, which represents the amount of assets available to pay claims resulting from Covered Events which may occur during the June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025 Contract Year, not including any bond proceeds. The projected year-end fund balance of \$6.91 billion is net of losses and loss reserves from Hurricanes Michael (2018), Ian (2022), and Idalia (2023) which the FHCF's consulting actuary has estimated to be \$10.83 billion. The 2024-2025 Contract Year claims-paying estimate includes the use of \$6.91 billion of projected year-end fund balance, \$3.25 billion of 2020A and 2024A pre-event bond proceeds and \$7.80 billion of 0-12 month borrowing capacity for a total of \$17.96 billion, which exceeds the \$17 billion limit on the Fund's single-season obligation as specified in Section 215.555, Florida Statutes. The borrowing capacity estimate is dependent on constraints of the financial markets to absorb potential debt issuances, the time necessary to access such markets, and the existing level of interest rates at the time of issuance. Greater detail may be obtained in the May 16, 2024 Claims-Paying Capacity Estimates Report, which can be found on the Fund's website at <https://fhcf.sbafla.com> under "Bonding Program." The Board recognizes that this good faith estimate is being made while volatile global financial market conditions exist, and therefore, changing market conditions can impact the Fund's actual claims-paying capacity either positively or negatively. Current conditions may or may not be the same if and when the Board issues revenue bonds. Participating insurers that rely on these estimates should recognize the potential impact the financial markets can have on the Board's claims-paying ability and plan accordingly.

construction of a 1.25 mgd wastewater treatment facility at the Shoal River Ranch site is not expected to generate controversy over potential environmental effects. The total estimated construction cost is \$40,962,000. The project may qualify for Clean Water State Revolving Fund loans composed of federal and state funds. DEP will consider public comments about the environmental impacts of the proposed project that are postmarked or delivered at the address below within 30 days of this notice. A full copy of the FFONSI can be obtained by writing to: Catherine Murray, SRF Program, Department of Environmental Protection, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS#3505, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 or calling (850)245-2966 or emailing catherine.m.murray@FloridaDEP.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
Policy and Procedures Update

The Department has posted the draft policy and procedures for review and comment for FDJJ 2050 Procurement and Contract Administration. The draft policy and procedures will be posted until June 6, 2024 on the Department's webpage at <http://www.djj.state.fl.us/partners/policies-resources/department-policies/policies-under-review>. Directions for submitting comments can be found at the Policies Under Review webpage.

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.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Division of Water Restoration Assistance
FLORIDA FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
(FFONSI) WW46040 - OCWS Shoal River Ranch WRF
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
FLORIDA FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
(FFONSI)
Okaloosa County, Florida
WW46040 - OCWS Shoal River Ranch WRF
The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
has determined that the Okaloosa County project involving