The change is in response to written comments submitted by the staff of the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee and in response to public comments received on the rule. The Board discussed this rule at a public hearing on February 9, 2012. The changes are as follows:

1. Subsection (1) shall now read as follows:

(1) Licensees: employed or contracted as Behavioral Specialists for the Florida Department of Corrections (DOC) and credentialed to conduct screenings and counseling for sexual disorders; or approved by the United States Probation Office to complete risk assessments and treat sexual offenders; or who were a clinical member of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (ATSA) or the Florida Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (FATSA); on or before June 30, 2010, shall be deemed to be qualified practitioners.

2. Subsection (2) shall now read as follows:

(2) In order to be a qualified practitioner for completing risk assessments and/or providing treatment for sexual offenders, one must hold an active license as a clinical social worker, marriage and family therapist, or mental health counselor under Chapter 491, Florida Statutes.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Sue Foster, Executive Director, Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling/MQA, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin # C08, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3258

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Dentistry

RULE NO.:	RULE TITLE:	
64B5-2.0125	Examination Security	
	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL	

Notice is hereby given that the above rule, as noticed in Vol. 37, No. 48, December 2, 2011 issue of the Florida Administrative Weekly has been withdrawn.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Pharmacy

RULE NO.:	RULE TITLE:
64B16-28.100	Pharmacy Permits – Applications
	and Permitting
	NOTICE OF CHANGE

Notice is hereby given that the following changes have been made to the proposed rule in accordance with subparagraph 120.54(3)(d)1., F.S., published in Vol. 37, No. 47, November 23, 2011 issue of the Florida Administrative Weekly.

The change is in response to a vote by the Board at the meeting held February 7-8, 2012. The changes are as follows:

1. Subsection (2)(c) will be added to the rule and shall read as follows:

(c) The policy and procedure manual for Community Pharmacies shall contain the procedures implemented to minimize the dispensing of controlled substances based on fraudulent representations. The policy and procedural manual may provide the following:

1. Provisions to identify and guard against invalid practitioner-patient relationships.

2. Provisions to guard against filling fraudulent prescriptions for controlled substances.

3. Provisions to identify prescriptions that are communicated or transmitted legally.

4. Provisions to identify the characteristics of a forged or altered prescription.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Mark Whitten, Executive Director, Board of Pharmacy, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C04, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3254.

Section IV Emergency Rules

RULE TITLE:

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Property Tax Oversight Program

RULE NO.: 12DER12-2

Form for Use to Attempt to Establish Adverse Possession Without Color of Title

SPECIFIC REASONS FOR FINDING AN IMMEDIATE DANGER TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE: Chapter 2011-107 (Senate Bill 1142), Laws of Florida, authorized the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules that could remain in effect for 6 months and that could be renewed. This act further provides that all conditions imposed by Sections 120.536(1) and 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, (Section 1 of Chapter 2011-107) were deemed to be met.

REASON FOR CONCLUDING THAT THE PROCEDURE IS FAIR UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES: The Legislature expressly authorized the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules that implement the provisions of Chapter 2011-107 (Senate Bill 1142), Laws of Florida. The law provides that these emergency rules remain in effect for a period of 6 months and that they may be renewed. The form included here is based on the requirements of Chapter 2011-107, Laws of Florida, as passed by the Legislature, and will amend the form based on the changes to Section 95.18, F.S. The Department of Revenue has taken action to inform interested parties about the form that is being amended to implement this amended law, and to give such parties an opportunity to review and comment. These interested parties include Property Appraisers and interested parties who have told the Department that they want to receive all information associated with property tax rulemaking.

SUMMARY: Section 1 of Chapter 2011-107, Laws of Florida, authorized the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules that could remain in effect for 6 months and that could be renewed. The purpose of this emergency rule is provide a procedure and form for applicants who apply to claim adverse possession and property appraisers to implement the new requirements from the provisions of the amended Section 95.18, F.S. Form DR-452, Return of Real Property in Attempt to Establish Adverse Possession Without Color of Title, is amended to include the amended provisions of Section 95.18, F.S. and is posted to our website at: http://dor.myflorida. com/dor/property/forms/#5. Rule 12DER12-02 (Form for use to Attempt to Establish Adverse Possession Without Color of Title) will replace Rule 12DER11-16.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RULE IS: Janice Forrester, Department of Revenue, Property Tax Technical Unit, 2450 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0100, telephone (850)617-8886, Fax (850)617-6112, email address: forrestj@dor.state.fl.us

THE FULL TEXT OF THE EMERGENCY RULE IS:

<u>12DER12-2 Form for Use to Attempt to Establish Adverse</u> <u>Possession Without Color of Title.</u>

(1) This rule applies to real property being claimed as adversely possessed under Section 95.18, Florida Statutes, Chapter 2011-107 (Senate Bill 1142), Laws of Florida.

(2) The Department of Revenue adopts and incorporates in this rule by reference the following form: DR-452, Return of Real Property in Attempt to Establish Adverse Possession Without Color of Title (R. 02/12). This is the form to be used by persons claiming adverse possession without color of title.

(3) Copies of this form are available, without cost, by downloading the selected form from the Department's Internet site at http://dor.myflorida.com/dor/property/forms/. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may call the Department's TDD at (800)367-8331.

(4) This rule renews and replaces emergency Rule 12DER11-16 which was effective August 19, 2011. This rule will be superseded by any rule adopted addressing the same subject matter and will otherwise remain in effect for 6 months and may be renewed during the pendency of procedures to adopt rules addressing the subject matter of this emergency rule.

Rulemaking Authority Section 1 of Ch. 2011-107, L.O.F. Law Implemented 95.18 FS. History–New 2-16-12.

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: February 16, 2012

DEPARTMENT OF THE LOTTERY

RULE NO .:	RULE TITLE:
53ER12-17	Payment of Prizes
SUMMARY: Th	is emergency rule replaces E

SUMMARY: This emergency rule replaces Emergency Rule 53ER10-1 and sets forth the procedures that the Florida Lottery shall apply to awarding prizes.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RULE IS: Diane Schmidt, Legal Analyst, Department of the Lottery, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4011

THE FULL TEXT OF THE EMERGENCY RULE IS:

53ER12-17 Payment of Prizes.

(1) Claiming Prizes. For purposes of this rule, the provisions for claiming a prize as set forth in paragraph 24.115(1)(f), Florida Statutes, will be deemed satisfied upon the claimant meeting the following requirements:

(a) On-line Game Prizes.

<u>1. For on-line game prizes, the claimant must submit the</u> winning on-line ticket for validation at a Lottery office or retailer on or before the 180th day after the winning drawing. Winning on-line tickets submitted to the Lottery by mail for validation must be addressed to the Lottery's prize payment address in an envelope postmarked on or before the 180th day after the winning drawing.

2. If the claimant is not paid at the time of ticket validation, he or she must submit the validated on-line winning ticket, along with the documents specified in paragraph (14)(c) below, for prize payment at a Lottery office on or before the 210th day after the winning drawing. If the claimant chooses to submit the validated on-line winning ticket for prize payment by mail, the ticket and all required documents must be sent to the Lottery's prize payment address and received by the Lottery on or before the 210th day after the winning drawing. Failure of a claimant to submit all required documentation, and receipt by the Lottery thereof, on or before the 210th day after the winning drawing shall result in forfeiture of the prize.

(b) Instant Game Prizes.

<u>1. For instant game prizes, the claimant must submit the</u> winning instant ticket for validation at a Lottery office or retailer on or before the 60th day after the official end of the game. Winning instant tickets submitted to the Lottery by mail for validation must be addressed to the Lottery's prize payment address in an envelope postmarked on or before the 60th day after the official end of the game. 2. If the claimant is not paid at the time of ticket validation, he or she must submit the validated instant winning ticket, along with the documents specified in paragraph (14)(c) below, for prize payment at a Lottery office on or before the 90th day after the official end of the game. If the claimant chooses to submit the validated instant winning ticket for prize payment by mail, the ticket and all required documents must be sent to the Lottery's prize payment address and received by the Lottery on or before the 90th day after the official end of the game. Failure of a claimant to submit all required documentation, and receipt by the Lottery thereof, on or before the 90th day after the official end of the game shall result in forfeiture of the prize.

(2) Prize Payment Address. The Lottery's prize payment address is: Florida Lottery, Claims Processing, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-9939.

(3) Risk of Mailing Tickets. A person who mails a winning ticket shall bear the risk that the U.S. Postal Service or other carrier may fail to timely postmark or deliver the ticket to the Lottery, or both.

(4) Winning Tickets Submitted to the Address for a Drawing. Winning tickets submitted to the address for a drawing for a game or promotion will not be paid or honored unless selected during the drawing. The time periods provided in subparagraphs (1)(a)1. and 2. and (1)(b)1. and 2. shall also apply to this subsection.

(5) Unclaimed Prizes. If a winning ticket is not submitted for validation within the applicable time period, or if a validated ticket is not submitted to the Lottery for prize payment within the applicable time period, the prize shall constitute an unclaimed prize and shall be distributed as required by law. Unclaimed prizes shall not be distributed to other winners within the same prize pool.

(6) Free Ticket Claims – Florida Claimants. A person who submits by mail a lottery ticket that entitles the claimant to a prize of a "ticket" or "free ticket" and whose mailing address is inside the state of Florida will be mailed a prize of a ticket as follows:

(a) If the ticket submitted for payment is an instant lottery ticket, the claimant will receive an instant lottery ticket or combination of tickets having the same total retail sales price as the instant lottery ticket submitted for prize payment. The free ticket(s) may or may not be from the same instant game in which the prize was won.

(b) If the prize is a free on-line game quick pick ticket, the claimant will receive a free on-line game quick pick ticket, from the same on-line game in which the prize was won, for the next drawing after the ticket is validated; or if the free on-line game ticket is part of an on-line game multi-play ticket, the claimant will receive prize payment in accordance with the provisions of subsection (20) below.

(7) Free Ticket Claims – Claimants Outside Florida. A person who submits by mail a lottery ticket that entitles the claimant to a prize of a "ticket" or "free ticket" and whose mailing address is outside the state of Florida will receive a check in the amount of the retail sales price of the ticket in lieu of an actual ticket.

(8) Advance Play Ticket Claims – Florida Claimants. A claimant who claims a prize through a retailer or the Lottery on a winning advance play lottery ticket before all the drawings on the ticket have occurred will be issued a continuation ticket for the remaining drawings with the same play numbers as the original ticket. The original ticket will be recorded as "paid" in the gaming system and the continuation ticket automatically issued for the claimant shall be the instrument from which claims on remaining drawings are paid.

(9) Advance Play Ticket Claims – Claimants Outside of Florida. If a claimant whose mailing address is outside the state of Florida submits by mail an advance play lottery ticket that has drawings remaining that have not yet occurred, the Lottery will hold the claimant's advance play ticket until all the drawings have occurred. The Lottery will then validate the advance play ticket and mail the claimant one payment for the total amount of any prizes won. If an out-of-state claimant requests prize payment prior to the date of the last advance play drawing, the Lottery will validate the ticket, mail the claimant payment for the total amount of any prizes won as of the date of ticket validation, and issue and maintain possession of a continuation ticket for the remaining drawings.

(10) On-line Game Ticket Validation.

(a) In order to be a valid on-line winning lottery ticket, the ticket must be identifiable as a Florida Lottery ticket and have either a complete, legible Transaction Serial Number ("TSN") or a readable bar code. To the extent that a ticket is not identifiable as a Florida Lottery ticket or does not have a TSN or bar code, the ticket will be invalid. The Florida Lottery will not attempt to reconstruct any tickets received in multiple pieces.

(b) The ticket must not be counterfeit in whole or in part.

(c) The TSN of an apparent winning ticket must validate on the Lottery's gaming system, and must not have been previously paid.

(d) The ticket must pass any additional validation tests determined necessary by the Florida Lottery. For security reasons, some validation tests may be confidential in nature.

(e) Any ticket not meeting the criteria set forth in paragraphs (10)(a) through (d) above is ineligible for any prize and shall not be paid as a winning ticket. In the event a defective ticket is purchased, the only responsibility or liability of the Florida Lottery shall be the replacement of the defective ticket with an unplayed ticket or tickets of equivalent sales price from a current Florida Lottery game, or refund of the retail sales price.

(11) Instant Game Ticket Validation.

(a) In order to be a valid instant winning lottery ticket, the ticket must be identifiable as a Florida Lottery ticket and have either a complete, legible validation number (sometimes referred to as "Void If Removed Number" or "VIRN"), or a readable bar code. The Florida Lottery will not attempt to reconstruct any tickets received in multiple pieces.

(b) The ticket must not be counterfeit in whole or in part.

(c) The validation elements must not be altered or tampered with in any manner.

(d) The ticket must not appear on any list of omitted ticket stock on file at the Florida Lottery.

(e) The ticket must not have been stolen.

(f) The ticket must have been issued to a retailer by the Florida Lottery in an authorized manner.

(g) The validation number of an apparent winning ticket must validate on the Lottery's gaming system and must not have been previously paid.

(h) The validation elements of a ticket must not be misprinted or illegible.

(i) The ticket must pass any additional validation tests determined necessary by the Florida Lottery. For security reasons, some validation tests may be confidential in nature.

(j) Any ticket not meeting the criteria set forth in paragraphs (11)(a) through (i) above is ineligible for any prize and shall not be paid as a winning ticket. In the event a defective ticket is purchased, the only responsibility or liability of the Florida Lottery shall be the replacement of the defective ticket with an unplayed ticket or tickets of equivalent sales price from a current Florida Lottery game, or refund of the retail sales price.

(12) Disputes Regarding the Amount or Validity of Ticket.

(a) Players shall be instructed by a retailer or the Lottery to file a claim when any dispute arises between a player and a retailer regarding the amount or validity of an apparent winning ticket or when an apparent winning ticket will not validate using the terminal.

(b) In the event a dispute between the Florida Lottery and a ticket bearer occurs as to whether a ticket is a valid winning ticket, or as to the prize amount of a valid winning ticket, the decision of the Florida Lottery shall be final. If the prize is not paid on a disputed ticket and the basis for the dispute is attributable to the Florida Lottery or its ticket vendor, the Florida Lottery will replace the disputed ticket with an unplayed ticket from the same game or with a ticket from another game of equivalent sales price. This shall be the sole and exclusive remedy of the bearer of the ticket.

(13) Winning Tickets Valued at Less than \$600. Payment of any winning ticket valued at less than \$600 that is submitted to a Lottery retailer. Lottery district office or Lottery Headquarters shall be made to the claimant upon successful ticket validation. Upon request by the Lottery, the claimant shall file a Winner Claim Form in accordance with the provisions set forth in paragraph (14)(c) below. (a) Payment by Retailers.

<u>1. Winning tickets of \$50 or less that are submitted to a retailer shall be paid in cash by the retailer unless:</u>

a. It is impossible or impracticable to do so due to a company or store policy which, for safety or security reasons, limits the amount of cash available to the clerk; or

b. It is impossible or impracticable to do so due to an applicable local government ordinance that limits the amount of cash available to the clerk.

2. Winning tickets with a value greater than \$50 but less than \$600 that are submitted to a retailer shall be paid by cash, check, or money order.

3. No charge or fee shall be imposed by a retailer on a player for paying a winning ticket. This prohibition includes charging a fee for a money order issued to the player in payment of a prize when that is the only method of prize payment made available by the retailer.

(b) Payment by the Florida Lottery.

<u>1. Winning tickets of \$100 or less that are presented to a</u> <u>Lottery district office will be paid by cash, check or issued</u> <u>lottery tickets at the claimant's option.</u>

2. Winning tickets with a value greater than \$100 that are submitted to a Lottery district office shall be paid by check and/or issued lottery tickets, or paid a maximum of \$100 in cash and the balance of the prize paid by check and/or issued lottery tickets at the claimant's option.

<u>3. Winning tickets of less than \$600 that are submitted to</u> Lottery Headquarters for payment shall be paid by check.

<u>4. A player who submits a winning ticket of less than \$600</u> in person to a Lottery district office for payment by check shall be required to present one form of identification from the list in subsection (15). The identification is required to ensure proper check distribution.

5. Winning tickets of less than \$600 shall be subject to and paid in accordance with subsections (16), (17), (18) and (19) below.

(14) Winning Tickets Valued at \$600 or Greater.

(a) Payment of winning tickets valued at \$600 or greater shall be made only by a Lottery office. Payment of winning tickets valued at \$600 or greater cannot be made by a retailer.

(b) A player may submit a winning ticket valued at \$600 or greater to any Lottery retailer or Lottery office for ticket validation. If a winning ticket valued at \$600 or greater is validated at a retailer location, the player shall retain the original ticket and any player claim instructions ticket produced by the retailer terminal to submit with his or her claim to a Lottery office for prize payment processing. If the winning ticket produces a continuation ticket for future drawings, the player shall also retain the continuation ticket in addition to the original ticket and player claim instructions ticket. (c) After successful validation of a winning ticket, the player shall file a claim by submitting to the Lottery a completed Winner Claim Form DOL 173-2, revised 02/11, or Spanish Winner Claim Form DOL 173-2S, revised 02/11 along with the ticket(s) as set forth in subsection (18) and the identification described in subsection (15) below. The Winner Claim Forms are incorporated herein by reference and may be obtained at any Lottery office or retailer, from the Florida Lottery's website at www.flalottery.com, or by writing the Florida Lottery, Customer Service, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4016. Claims may be submitted in person to any Lottery district office or to Lottery Headquarters, or submitted by mail to Florida Lottery, Claims Processing, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-9939.

(d) Winning tickets valued at \$600 through \$250,000 that are submitted to a Lottery district office shall be paid by check and in accordance with subsections (16), (17), (18) and (19) below, except that winning tickets valued in excess of \$50,000 may be paid by wire or electronic funds transfer. Powerball winning tickets valued to \$1,000,000 may be presented at a Lottery district office or Lottery headquarters. All other winning tickets valued at greater than \$250,000 must be presented at Lottery Headquarters for payment.

(e) Winning tickets valued at \$600 or more that are submitted to Lottery Headquarters shall be paid as follows and in accordance with subsections (16), (17), (18) and (19) below:

<u>1. If the prize value is \$600 through \$100,000, payment shall be made by check.</u>

2. If the prize value is greater than \$50,000 or is a prize for which there is a lump-sum option, payment shall be made by check or wire or electronic funds transfer at the claimant's option.

(15) Presentation of Identification.

(a) The claimant of a prize valued at \$600 or more will be required to present identification as detailed below. The Lottery shall be permitted to make a photocopy of such identification for its records. The name on the identification presented to the Lottery must match the name on the back of the winning ticket, unless the name on the back of the winning ticket is that of a legal entity. In such case, an authorized agent of that legal entity and all shareholders, partners, beneficiaries, or other persons ultimately entitled to receive a portion of the legal entity's Lottery winnings shall submit a photocopy of required identification as detailed below. The Lottery reserves the right to require proof of authenticity for such photocopies. If the name on the back of the ticket and the identification presented do not match, the Lottery may request another form of identification listed below or request additional information to use in making its payment determination.

(b) For prizes valued at \$600 or more, one form of identification is required that is current or was issued within the past five years and bears a serial or other identifying number. Acceptable forms of identification include the following:

<u>1. A Florida identification card or driver's license issued</u> by the public agency authorized to issue driver's licenses;

2. A passport issued by the Department of State of the United States;

3. A passport issued by a foreign government;

4. A driver's license or an identification card issued by a public agency authorized to issue driver's licenses in a state other than Florida, a territory of the United States, or Canada or Mexico;

5. An identification card issued by any branch of the armed forces of the United States; or

<u>6. An identification card issued by the United States</u> <u>Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services; or</u>

7. Another form of identification authorized for use by notaries public in Chapter 117, Florida Statutes.

(c) If a claimant is unable to produce one of the acceptable forms of identification identified in paragraph (b) above, the Lottery will accept as satisfactory evidence of the claimant's identity a completed Affidavit to Establish Identity, DOL-468A effective 06/08. The Affidavit to Establish Identity is incorporated herein by reference and may be obtained at any Lottery office or by writing the Florida Lottery, Customer Service, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4016.

(d) A photocopy of required identification shall accompany claims valued at \$600 or greater that are submitted by mail. The Lottery reserves the right to require proof of authenticity for such photocopies.

(16) Payment to One Person or Entity. Regardless of how many persons or entities claim an ownership interest in a winning ticket, payment will be made to only one person or entity. For prizes valued at \$600 or more, a winner may submit an Internal Revenue Service Form 5754, Statement by Person(s) Receiving Gambling Winnings, revised 12/08, if more than one person or a person other than the claimant is entitled to the prize winnings. The form must be presented to the Lottery along with the Winner Claim form prior to ticket validation. The Internal Revenue Service Form 5754 is incorporated by reference and may be obtained at any Lottery office, by writing the Florida Lottery, Customer Service, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4016, or from the Internal Revenue Service.

(17) Federal Withholding Taxes. Federal withholding taxes shall be deducted from prizes in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and Code of Federal Regulations.

(18) Ticket Submission and Payment. In accordance with the applicable provisions of subsections (13), (14) and (20) a claimant must submit an original winning ticket or an original continuation ticket, if issued, to the Lottery or to a retailer to claim a prize. In the event an original winning ticket or an original continuation ticket is not available for submission, a claimant must submit an original player claim instructions ticket produced from validation of an original winning ticket or original continuation ticket to the Lottery to claim a prize.

(a) If a claimant submits an original winning ticket or an original continuation ticket and an original player claim instructions ticket produced from an original winning ticket or from an original continuation ticket, payment will be made in accordance with subsections (16), (17) and (18).

(b) If a claimant submits only an original winning ticket or an original continuation ticket, the ticket will be validated and payment will be made in accordance with subsections (16), (17) and (18).

(c) If a claimant submits only an original player claim instructions ticket, the player claim instructions ticket will be validated and payment will be made in accordance with subsections (16), (17) and (18) and as follows:

<u>1. For on-line prizes, if the absence of the original ticket or</u> the original continuation ticket is determined to the Lottery's satisfaction to be attributable to actions of a retailer, payment will be made following expiration of 30 days after the date the player claim instructions ticket is submitted for prize payment, or following expiration of 210 days after the winning draw date, whichever date occurs sooner.

2. For instant prizes, if the absence of the original ticket is determined to the Lottery's satisfaction to be attributable to actions of a retailer, payment will be made following expiration of 30 days after the date the player claim instructions ticket is submitted for prize payment, or following expiration of 90 days after the official end of the game, whichever date occurs sooner.

<u>3. If the absence of the original ticket or the original</u> <u>continuation ticket is attributable to any reason other than the</u> <u>actions of a retailer, payment will be made as follows:</u>

a. For winning on-line tickets, payment will be made following expiration of 210 days after the winning draw date, provided that payment for the original winning ticket is not made before the expiration of 210 days.

b. For winning instant tickets, payment for prizes valued at \$600 through \$1,000 will be made following expiration of 180 days from the date the claim was filed or following expiration of 90 days after the official end of the game, whichever occurs sooner, provided that payment for the original winning ticket is not made before expiration of the 180-day or 90-day time period, whichever is applicable. Payment for prizes greater than \$1,000 will be made following expiration of 90 days after the official end of the game, provided payment for the original winning ticket is not made before expiration of the 90-day time period. 4. If the original winning ticket or original continuation ticket is submitted prior to expiration of the time periods set forth in subparagraphs (18)(c)1., 2. and 3., an investigation will be conducted to determine to whom payment should be made, if anyone.

(d) If a claimant submits only an original advance play winning ticket that has been recorded as "paid" in the Lottery's gaming system as the result of the issuance of a continuation ticket, an investigation will be conducted and payment will be made as follows:

<u>1. If the investigation concludes to the Lottery's</u> <u>satisfaction that the absence of the continuation ticket is</u> <u>attributable to actions of a retailer, payment will be made</u> following expiration of 30 days after the date the original winning ticket is submitted for prize payment, or following expiration of 210 days after the winning draw date, whichever date occurs sooner, provided that payment for the continuation ticket is not made prior to the expiration time frames set forth above.

2. If the investigation concludes to the Lottery's satisfaction that the absence of the continuation ticket is attributable to any reason other than the actions of a retailer, payment will be made following expiration of 210 days after the winning draw date, provided that payment for the continuation ticket is not made before the expiration of 210 days.

(e) In the event a claim for payment is made without an original ticket, an original continuation ticket, or a player claim instructions ticket, the claim will be denied unless the following occurs:

1. The claimant establishes to the Lottery's satisfaction that the absence of the original ticket, the original continuation ticket, or the player claim instructions ticket is attributable to an act or omission of the Lottery. Acts or omissions of Lottery retailers shall not be considered attributable to the Lottery; and

2. The Lottery determines that the available evidence is sufficient to validate the claim.

If the Lottery determines that the provisions set forth in subparagraphs 1. and 2., above are sufficiently met, payment will be made to the claimant following the expiration of the applicable deadline set forth in subsection (1) for validating and submitting a winning ticket for prize payment.

(19) Determination of Prize Winner. The person to whom payment will be made for winning tickets submitted to the Lottery shall be determined as follows:

(a) If only one name appears on the back of the ticket, payment will be made to that person or entity.

(b) If the back of a ticket is blank or incomplete, data from the Winner Claim Form, if any, player correspondence, or the mailing envelope, in that order, shall be used to supplement the information. (c) Instant tickets. If more than one name appears on the back of an instant ticket, payment shall be made to the person whose name appears first on the line designated for the name.

(d) On-line tickets.

1. If one player information section is completely filled out, payment shall be made to the person whose name appears first on the name line in the player information section that is completed.

2. If more than one player information section is completely filled out, payment shall be made to the person whose name appears first on the name line in the player information section nearest the top of the ticket.

3. If no player information section is completely filled out and more than one name appears on the back of the ticket, payment shall be made to the person whose name appears first on the name line in the player information section nearest the top of the ticket in which a name is present.

(e) If the name on the back of a ticket is that of a trust, corporation or other legal entity, payment shall be made to the trust, corporation or other legal entity. For those tickets valued at \$600 or more, no payment shall be made to a legal entity until the Lottery has received a copy of the entity's organizational documents which set forth the names and Social Security numbers of all shareholders, partners, beneficiaries, or other persons ultimately entitled to receive Lottery winnings.

(f) For prizes less than \$600, payment to the person determined in accordance with paragraphs (19)(a) through (e) above shall be made in that person's name as it appears on the back of the winning ticket. For prizes of \$600 or more, payment shall be made in that person's name as it appears on the Winner Claim Form as described in paragraph (14)(c) above.

(g) If the back of a ticket valued at \$600 or more is altered, defaced, or contains erasures, correction fluid, overwriting, or obliteration in the line designated for a name, an investigation will be conducted to determine to whom payment should be made, if anyone, in accordance with paragraphs (19)(c), (d) and (e) above. If the ticket is valued at less than \$600, payment will be made to the person submitting the ticket for payment.

(h) If the Lottery is presented with undisputed information that payment of a prize as provided in paragraphs (19)(a) through (e) would result in payment to a person or entity who has no claim to the ticket, the Lottery will make payment to the person or entity it determines to be the rightful claimant based upon the undisputed information submitted to the Lottery.

(i) If the Lottery receives notification of a dispute of ownership of a specific ticket prior to prize payment, an investigation will be conducted to determine to whom payment should be made, if anyone.

(j) Any claimant of a prize of \$600 or more, and any person whose name appears on an Internal Revenue Service Form 5754 filed by a claimant and whose portion of the prize is \$600 or more, will be compared to the State Owed Debt system. All persons ultimately entitled to receive Florida Lottery winnings from a claim valued at \$600 or more filed by a legal entity, other than a corporation whose shares are publicly traded, will be compared to the State Owed Debt system. If such claimant or other person is identified as owing an outstanding debt to a state agency or owing child support collected through a court or spousal support or alimony as provided in subsection 24.115(4), Florida Statutes, following deduction of federal tax withholding, the remaining prize amount will be allocated as follows:

1. If the debt is owed by the claimant and an Internal Revenue Service Form 5754 is not filed at the time the claim is submitted, an amount sufficient to cover the amount owed, up to the total remaining prize amount, will be transferred to the state agency owed the debt. Any monies remaining after federal tax withholding and after collection of the debt will be paid to the claimant.

2. If the debt is of a claimant who submits an Internal Revenue Service Form 5754 at the time of filing the claim, or of a person whose name appears on an Internal Revenue Service Form 5754 or who is entitled to receive Lottery winnings claimed by a legal entity, an amount sufficient to cover the claimant's or other person's debt, but not to exceed his or her percentage interest in the prize or entity, will be transferred to the state agency owed the debt. The monies remaining will be paid to the claimant and any other persons entitled to receive a portion of the Lottery winnings.

(20) Payment after Death of Prizewinner Receiving Deferred Payments. If a prizewinner dies during the scheduled payment period of a deferred payment prize, the Lottery will make payment to the estate of the deceased prizewinner upon its receipt of a certified copy of the winner's death certificate and a certified copy of the Letters of Administration or equivalent document establishing the personal representative or executor of the winner's estate. Upon its receipt of a certified copy of a court order directing payment to identified persons or entities in accordance with a prizewinner's will or state law, the Lottery will make payment in accordance with the court order. Upon receipt by the Lottery of notification of the death of a prizewinner, no payments will be made by the Lottery until it has received a certified copy of the winner's death certificate and either a certified copy of the Letters of Administration or its equivalent or a court order as described above. Payments withheld because appropriate documents have not been received will be subject to the provisions of Chapter 717, Florida Statutes, the "Florida Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act."

(21) Payment of On-line Game Multi-play Tickets Including a Cash Prize and a Free Quick Pick Ticket Prize. Additional payment provisions applicable only to winning on-line game multi-play tickets (tickets with more than one panel played for a single draw date) that include a cash prize and a prize of a free quick pick ticket are as follows: (a) A \$1.00 value for each free quick pick ticket on a multi-play ticket shall be included in the total prize value of the ticket.

(b) On-line game multi-play tickets with a total prize value less than \$600 shall be paid by Lottery retailers or a Lottery office upon successful ticket validation. The claimant shall be paid the cash amount of the prize and given a ticket with one free quick pick play for the same on-line game in which the prize was won, for the next available drawing for each free quick pick ticket prize.

(c) On-line game multi-play tickets with a total prize value of \$600 or more shall be claimed at a Lottery office. Retailer locations cannot print free quick pick tickets that are part of a claim with a total value of \$600 or more.

<u>1. If the claim is submitted to a Lottery office in person</u> and the on-line game multi-play ticket is successfully validated, the Lottery will pay the claimant the cash prize and give the claimant a ticket with one free quick pick play for the next available drawing of the same on-line game in which the prize was won for each free quick pick ticket prize.

2. If the claim is submitted by mail to a Lottery office and the on-line game multi-play ticket is successfully validated, the Lottery will pay the cash prize and, if the claimant's address is in Florida, print a ticket with one free quick play for the next available drawing of the same on-line game in which the prize was won for each free quick pick ticket prize. The payment and the free ticket shall be mailed to the claimant by the Lottery, except as set forth in subsection (7) above. A free ticket shall be mailed prior to the drawing applicable to that ticket.

3. If the claimant is identified as owing an outstanding debt as set forth in paragraph (19)(j), in an amount less than the cash portion of the prize net of any federal income tax withholding, the non-cash portion of the prize and the amount owed to the claimant after his or her debt is satisfied and taxes have been withheld shall be awarded. If the claimant is identified as owing an outstanding debt in an amount greater than the cash portion of the prize net of any federal income tax withholding, the cash portion of the prize remaining after taxes have been withheld will be applied toward the outstanding debt as provided in subsection 24.115(4), Florida Statutes, and the claimant will receive the remaining non-cash portion of the prize.

(22) Canceled and Previously Paid Tickets. No payment shall be made upon a ticket submitted for payment that is reflected in the Lottery's records as having been canceled or previously paid.

(23) Disclosure of Source of Ticket. The Lottery reserves the right to require the claimant of any winning ticket to disclose the source of the ticket.

(24) Final Payment Decision. The Lottery's decision and judgments in respect to the determination of a winning ticket or of any other dispute arising from payment or awarding of prizes shall be final and binding upon all participants in the lottery unless otherwise provided by law or these rules. In the event a question arises relative to a winning ticket, or the payment or awarding of any prize, the Lottery is authorized to:

(a) Deposit the prize winnings into an escrow fund until the dispute is resolved; or

(b) Petition a court of competent jurisdiction for instructions and a resolution of the controversy.

(25) All tickets and claim forms presented to the Florida Lottery shall become the property of the Florida Lottery.

(26) Information for claiming a prize can be obtained by writing the Florida Lottery, Customer Service, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4016, or by calling (850)487-7777.

(27) Payment of winning tickets is subject to all other applicable statutes and rules.

(28) This emergency rule replaces Emergency Rule 53ER10-1, F.A.C.

Rulemaking Authority 24.105(9)(e), 24.109(1), 24.115(1) FS. Law Implemented 24.105(9)(e), 24.115(1),(4) FS. History–New 2-15-12, Replaces 53ER10-01, F.A.C.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE LOTTERY

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE: 53ER12-18 Code of Ethics

SUMMARY: This emergency rule sets forth the Code of Ethics for employees of the Florida Lottery and replaces Emergency Rule 53ER11-63, F.A.C.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RULE IS: Diane Schmidt, Legal Analyst, Department of the Lottery, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4011

THE FULL TEXT OF THE EMERGENCY RULE IS:

53ER12-18 Code of Ethics.

(1) All employees of the Florida Lottery are subject to the provisions of Chapter 112, Part III, Fla. Stat., Chapter 24, Fla. Stat., and rules promulgated thereunder. Where there are differences between this rule and the statute, the stricter provisions will apply.

(2) Definitions. For purposes of this rule:

(a) "Chief ethics officer" means the Lottery's Deputy General Counsel.

(b) "Employee" means any person employed by the Florida Lottery.

(c) "Gift" means anything accepted by a person or on that person's behalf, whether directly or indirectly, for that person's benefit and for which no payment is made. Examples of gifts are: real property or the use thereof; tangible or intangible personal property or the use thereof; preferential rate or terms on a transaction not available to others similarly situated; forgiveness of a debt; transportation, lodging or parking; food or beverage; dues, fees and tickets; plants and flowers; personal services for which a fee is normally charged; or any other thing or service having an attributable value.

"Gift" does not include:

<u>1. Salary, benefits, services, fees, commissions, gifts or expenses associated primarily with the donee's employment, business, or service as an officer or director of a corporation or organization (the donee's principal employer or business occupation and unrelated to the donee's public position); or</u>

2. Contributions reported pursuant to the campaign financing law (Chapter 106, Fla. Stat.), campaign-related personal services provided by individuals volunteering their time, or any other contribution or expenditure by a political party; or

3. An honorarium or expense related to an honorarium event paid to a person or the person's spouse by someone other than a lobbyist or principal of a lobbyist; or

4. An award, plaque, certificate or similar personalized item given in recognition of the donee's public, civic, charitable or professional service, provided that such item has no separate commercial value; or

5. Honorary membership in a service or fraternal organization presented as a courtesy by the organization; or

<u>6. Use of a public facility for a public purpose made</u> available by a governmental agency; or

7. Transportation provided by an agency in relation to officially approved governmental business; or

8. Anything of value provided directly or indirectly by a state, regional or national organization which promotes the exchange of ideas between, or the professional development of, governmental officials or employees, and whose membership is primarily composed of elected or appointed public officials or staff, to members of that organization, or staff of a governmental agency that is a member of the organization.

(d) "Lobby" means to seek, on behalf of another person, to influence an agency with respect to a decision of the agency in the area of policy or procurement or an attempt to obtain the goodwill of an agency official or employee.

(e) "Lobbyist" means a person who is employed and receives payment for the purpose of lobbying, or a person who is principally employed for governmental affairs by another person or governmental entity to lobby on behalf of that other person or governmental entity, excluding an employee of an agency or of a legislative or judicial branch entity acting in the normal course of his or her duties. (f) "Principal" means the person, firm, corporation or other entity which has employed or retained a lobbyist.

(g) "Procurement employee" means any employee who participates through decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparation of any part of a purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, or auditing or in any other advisory capacity in the procurement of contractual services or commodities as defined in Section 287.012, F.S., if the cost of such services or commodities exceeds \$1,000 in any year.

(h) "Relative" means a person who is related to an agency official or employee as father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half-brother, half-sister, grandparent, great grandparent, grandchild, great grandchild, step grandparent, step great grandparent, step great grandchild, engaged to be married to the agency official or employee, or who otherwise holds himself or herself out as or is generally known as the person whom the agency official or employee intends to form a household, or any other natural person having the same legal residence as the agency official or employee.

(i) "Reporting individual" means any employee who is required by Section 112.3145, F.S., to file a full or limited public disclosure of his or her financial interests.

(j) "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Florida Lottery or an employee of the Lottery authorized to act on behalf of the Secretary.

(3) Avoiding the Appearance of Impropriety. Employees of the Lottery will use the powers and resources of the Lottery to further the public interest and not for any financial or personal benefit other than salaried compensation and employer-provided benefits.

(a) Safeguarding Impartiality. Employees are expected to safeguard their ability to make objective, fair and impartial decisions, and therefore may not accept benefits of any sort under circumstances in which it could be inferred by a reasonable observer that the benefit was intended to influence a pending or future decision of the employee, or to reward a past decision. Employees should avoid any conduct (whether in the context of business, financial or social relationships) that might undermine the public trust, whether that conduct is unethical or lends itself to the appearance of ethical impropriety.

(b) Serving as Officers/Directors of Governmental and Non-governmental Entities. An employee may serve as an officer or director of a governmental or non-governmental entity subject to the approval of the chief ethics officer. Approval shall be requested at the time of original employment with the Lottery or at the time the employee seeks to be appointed to such position. (c) Screening. To avoid any appearance of impropriety, an employee will not participate in meetings between and/or decisions directly involving the employee and his or her former employer or clients/business entities for which he or she has had substantial, direct responsibility during the one year prior to assuming his or her present employment with the Lottery. To the extent an employee seeks to participate in any such meeting or decision, he or she will first notify the chief ethics officer who will prescribe an appropriate screen depending on the particular circumstances. Moreover, nothing in this Code is meant to prohibit an employee from addressing or making decisions relating to issues that may generally affect an industry or business sector with which the employee may have had a prior relationship.

(4) Acceptance of Gifts. No employee who is a reporting individual or a procurement employee ("RIPE") may accept any gift from a non-lobbyist. There are limited exceptions to the prohibition on the acceptance of gifts from non-lobbyists, as follows:

(a) Gifts from relatives, regardless of value.

(b) Gifts received from personal friends in the ordinary course of friendship, regardless of value, (including but not limited to birthday and/or anniversary gifts and gifts of hospitality), provided that any such personal friend is not:

<u>1. The partner, firm, member, employer, employee or principal of a lobbyist;</u>

2. a person having a special pecuniary interest (either individually or through a corporation or organization) in a matter pending before the Lottery;

<u>3. A person who (either individually or through a corporation or organization) provides goods or services to the Lottery under contract or agreement;</u>

<u>4. A person who (either individually or through a corporation or organization) is seeking such business with the Lottery.</u>

(c) On-site consumption of food and refreshment at receptions and/or other events, provided the employee's attendance at such event is an appropriate exercise of the employee's official duties and the food and refreshments at such event are not paid for by a lobbyist or the principal of a lobbyist, in which case the guidelines set forth in subsection (5) below apply.

(d) Gifts accepted on behalf of a governmental entity or charitable organization, or for which a public purpose can be shown, provided the gift is not being made by a lobbyist or the principal of a lobbyist.

(e) Gifts involving volunteer campaign-related travel, lodging, and/or food or beverage expenses, provided the chief ethics officer has approved such acceptance.

(5) Use of Lobbyists and Lobbyist Expenditures.

(a) The use of lobbyists will not be required or preferred as a way to obtain access to Lottery employees.

(b) Employees shall not solicit any gift, regardless of value, from a lobbyist or principal, if the gift is for the personal benefit of the employee, the employee's family, or another employee.

(c) No employee shall knowingly accept anything of value from a lobbyist or the principal of a lobbyist, regardless of whether the thing is being offered or given for the purpose of lobbying, except that an expenditure for the personal benefit of an employee may be accepted from a lobbyist or principal who is a relative of the employee.

However,

1. An employee may attend an event or accept a thing of value that is otherwise prohibited if the employee pays or provides equivalent consideration contemporaneously with or preceding the receipt of the item or attendance at the event. In situations in which it is difficult to place a value (such as dinner at someone's home), equivalent consideration in the form of a house gift, appropriate priced bottle of wine or spirits, floral arrangement or plant, or other appropriately valued item may substitute for monetary consideration. Attendance at weddings, showers, birthdays or other special occasions where guests usually bring gifts and the feted person or others on his or her behalf provide food and entertainment also fall into this category.

2. An employee may attend a community event that is open to all persons.

3. An employee may accept an item or benefit generally available for free or below the customary rate if the rate is a government rate available to all other similarly-situated government employees or a rate that is available to similarly-situated members of the public by virtue of occupation, affiliation, age, religion, sex or national origin. If discounted pricing is made possible as a result of sponsorship by a lobbyist or principal, the discounted pricing may not be accepted unless it is available equally to all government employees and not intended to benefit a particular class of employees.

The key question in each of these situations is whether the expenditure or the available discount is being made for the personal benefit of the employee, the employee's parent, spouse, child or sibling. If it is, accepting the expenditure or discount is prohibited.

In determining whether an expenditure is a prohibited one, the following questions must be asked:

a. Is there commercial value involved?

The following items have commercial value and are examples of prohibited expenditures: food and beverages, tickets to entertainment events (golf tournament, sporting event, or theatre performance), transportation, lodging, and honorarium expenses. b. Is the thing of commercial value primarily for the benefit of the agency's employees and not generally available to members of the public (or a large class of persons) on the same terms and conditions?

c. Does a lobbyist or principal control who receives the benefit of the thing of value?

d. If a third person (such as a non-profit) is distributing the thing of value, is it acting under the direction of the lobbyist or principal?

e. Did an agency official or employee solicit the lobbyist or principal for the sponsorship of the event?

If the answer to any of the foregoing questions a-e is "yes", then the employee may not attend the event or accept the thing of value without giving appropriate and contemporaneous consideration. If the answer to all of the foregoing questions a-e is "no," then the employee may attend the event or accept the thing of value unless he or she knows or has reason to believe that the arrangement is a subterfuge for an otherwise prohibited expenditure.

4. Notwithstanding that awards, plaques, certificates or similar personalized items given in recognition of the employee's public, civic, charitable or professional service are not considered "gifts" under Chapter 112, F.S., the employee shall notify the chief ethics officer of the receipt of any such item.

5. A Lottery vendor who is also a principal may make expenditures for reasonable and necessary expenses of Lottery sales conferences and other marketing activities when such payments are made pursuant to a contractual obligation of the vendor to provide marketing support to the Lottery under a contract that was entered pursuant to a competitive procurement process. A Lottery employee's participation in such a sales conference or other marketing activities shall not be considered to be a violation of this rule.

Employees have a duty to inquire whether the thing of value is from a lobbyist or principal. Ignorance of the facts is no excuse.

(6) Reporting Requirements.

(a) Gift Reporting. This Code permits the acceptance of gifts from non-lobbyists only in certain specified circumstances set forth in subsection (4) above. RIPEs must report and disclose any permissible gift unless the gift is from a relative or a friend; however, gifts from friends must be reported if they exceed \$100 in value.

Pursuant to Section 112.3148, F.S., RIPEs must file Form 9, quarterly Gift Disclosure, with the Commission on Ethics on the last day of any calendar quarter following the calendar quarter in which he or she received a reportable gift. Form 9 need not be filed if no such gift was received during the calendar quarter. RIPEs must also file with the Commission on Ethics Form 10, Annual Disclosure of Gifts from Governmental Entities and Direct Support Organizations and Honorarium Event Related Expenses by July 1 of each year, along with the employee's Form 1 filing (see paragraph (6)(b) below), if a reportable gift or expense was received.

(b) Financial Disclosure. In addition, certain employees, specified in section 112.3145(1), F.S., are required to make public disclosure of their financial interests. Conflicts of interest may occur when public officials are in a position to make decisions that affect their personal financial interest. This is why public officers and employees are required to publicly disclose their financial interests. The disclosure process serves to remind officials of their obligation to put the public interest above personal considerations. It also helps citizens monitor the considerations of those who spend their tax dollars and participate in public policy decisions.

Pursuant to Section 112.3145(2)(b), F.S., reporting individuals are required to file with the Commission on Ethics, Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests, within thirty (30) days of appointment and by July 1 of each year thereafter.

Employees will be notified by the chief ethics officer if their position with the Lottery requires them to file financial disclosure forms.

(7) General Prohibitions of Chapters 24 and 112, F.S.

(a) Employees shall not solicit or accept anything of value to the employee, including gifts, loans, rewards, promises of future employment, favors, or services based upon any understanding that the official action or judgment of the employee would be influenced thereby.

(b) Employees shall not corruptly use or attempt to use their positions to gain special privileges, benefits or exemptions for themselves or others.

(c) Employees, their spouses and minor children shall not accept any compensation, payment or thing of value when they know or should know that it was given to influence the official action of the employee.

(d) Employees shall not disclose or use information not available to the public and obtained by reason of their public positions for the personal benefit of themselves or others.

(e) Employees shall not solicit or accept an honorarium that is related to their public office or duties. Employees may accept payment of expenses related to an honorarium event unless the payment is from a lobbyist or principal.

(f) Employees acting as purchasing agents shall not directly or indirectly purchase, rent, or lease any realty, goods or services for the Lottery from a business in which the employee or the employee's spouse or child owns more than a 5% interest.

(g) Employees acting in a private capacity shall not rent, sell or lease realty, goods or services to the Lottery.

(h) Employees shall not accept employment that would create a conflict of interest between their private interests and the performance of their public duties, or accept other employment with any business entity subject to regulation by, or doing business with, the Lottery. (i) Employees having decisionmaking authority shall not participate in any decision involving a vendor or retailer with whom they have a financial interest.

(j) Employees having decisionmaking authority shall not participate in any decision involving a vendor or retailer with whom they have discussed employment opportunities, without the prior approval of the Secretary.

(k) Purchase of lottery tickets by employees or any relatives residing in their household is strictly prohibited.

(8) Post-Employment Restrictions.

(a) Employees who became employed by the Lottery after July 1, 1989, who have authority over policy or procurement, shall not, for a period of two (2) years after retirement or termination, personally represent another person or entity for compensation before the Department, unless employed by another agency of state government.

(b) Employees shall not, for a period of two (2) years after retirement or termination, hold any employment or contractual relationship with a business entity other than a state agency in connection with any contract for contractual services that was within the employee's responsibility while employed by the Lottery.

(c) Employees are prohibited, after retirement or termination, from holding any employment or contractual relationship with a business entity other than a state agency in connection with any contract in which the employee participated personally and substantially through decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, rendering of advice, or investigation while an employee of the Lottery.

(d) Employees shall not, for a period of one (1) year following cessation of employment with the Lottery, represent any vendor or retailer before the Lottery regarding any specific matter in which the employee was involved while employed by the Lottery.

(9) Nepotism. Employees are prohibited from seeking for a relative any appointment, employment, promotion or advancement in the unit in which he/she is serving or over which he/she exercises jurisdiction or control.

(10) Frequent-Flyer Miles Earned Through State-Reimbursed Travel. Employees may sometimes be required to travel on State business, requiring them to spend evenings and weekends away from their homes and families. Per diem reimbursements often do not fully reimburse the employee for out-of-pocket travel expenses. As a matter of general policy, any frequent-flyer miles and/or bonus miles awarded to an employee as a result of State-reimbursed travel may be used for personal use by the employee.

(11) Reporting of Violation. An employee who believes that a violation of the Lottery Code of Ethics has occurred may report the suspected violation to the chief ethics office and/or the Lottery's Office of Inspector General.

(12) Training. All employees shall receive Code of Ethics training upon appointment and thereafter on an annual basis.

Rulemaking Authority 24.105(20), 24.109(1) FS. Law Implemented 24.105(20), 24.105(19)(b), (c), 24.116(2), Chapter 112, Part III. FS. History–New 2-15-12, Replaces 53ER11-63.

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Section V Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

The Department of Economic Opportunity hereby gives notice: NAME OF PETITIONER: Wakulla County

DATE PETITION WAS FILED: November 14, 2011. It was assigned the number DEO-11-0035

RULE NUMBER AND NATURE OF RULE FROM WHICH VARIANCE OR WAIVER IS SOUGHT: Subparagraph 9B-43.0041(3)(b)1., F.A.C., that relates to acceptable timing of meetings and notice under the Florida Small Cities Community Development Block Grant project housing category.

A REFERENCE TO THE PLACE AND DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE NOTICE OF THE PETITION: Vol. 37, No. 48, December 2, 2011, issue of the Florida Administrative Weekly.

THE DATE OF THE ORDER DENYING WAIVER: February 10, 2012.

THE GENERAL BASIS FOR THE AGENCY DECISION: The Petitioner did not demonstrate that the purpose of the underlying statute had been met by alternative means.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Miriam Snipes, Agency Clerk, Department of Economic Opportunity, 107 East Madison Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-4128, e-mail: miriam.snipes@deo.myflorida.com.

DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission hereby gives notice that on November 10, 2011, the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission, received a petition for а permanent waiver of subsection 11B-27.00212(14), F.A.C., from Jupiter Island Public Safety Department on behalf of two officers for the 2008-2010 (7/1/2008 - 6/30/2010) mandatory firearms regulification reporting cycle. Subsection 11B-27.00212(14), F.A.C., requires officers to requalify with a firearm every two years on a course of fire mandated by Commission rule and supervised by a CJSTC-certified firearms instructor.