Section I Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Board of Education

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6A-20.047: Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive Grant Program

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: This rule will set forth requirements for applicants to submit proposals for the Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive Grant program for approval, and will outline allowable expenditures and uses of grant funds.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive Grant Program.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1011.801, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: SB 240

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: June 7, 2023, 2:00 PM

PLACE:

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Evan Steinberg, Legislative Liaison, evan.steinberg@fldoe.org. To comment on this rule development or to request a rule development workshop, please go to https://web02.fldoe.org/rules or contact: Chris Emerson, Director, Office of Executive Management, (850)245-9601 or email Christian.Emerson@fldoe.org.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61G19-9.003Registration of Course Providers61G19-9.004Approval of Courses

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes a rule amendment that updates and clarifies the existing rule language regarding responsibilities for CE course certificates between the Board and the Department.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The rule amendment addresses registration of course providers and approval of courses.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 468.606, 468.627, 468.627(5) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 468.627 FS.

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: Krista Woodard, Executive Director, Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0791.

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

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Medicine

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B8-42.003: Temporary Permits

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Update rule consistent with current examination scheduling procedures.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Update rule consistent with current examination scheduling procedures. RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 468.507 FS.

KULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 468.50/ F

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 468.511 FS.

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: Allen Hall, Executive Director, Dietetics and Nutrition Practice Council, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C05, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3255, or telephone (850)245-4444, or by electronic mail – Allen.Hall@flhealth.gov.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Medicine

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B8-51.006 Rule Governing Licensure and Inspection of Electrology Facilities

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To update and clarify application. SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: To update and clarify application.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 456.037, 478.43(1), (4), 478.51(3), (11) FS

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.037, 456.0635, 458.348(2), 478.43, 478.49, 478.51, 478.55 FS.

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: Allen Hall, Executive Director, Board of Medicine Electrolysis Council, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin # A04, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3253.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE.

Section II Proposed Rules

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Property Tax Oversight Program

RULE NO.:RULE TITLE:12D-16.002Index to Forms

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed amendments to Rule 12D-16.002, F.A.C., is to incorporate by reference, forms necessitated by 2022 legislative changes. When in effect, the forms will reflect amendments made by section 16, Chapter 2022-97, L.O.F., and section 13, Chapter 2022-272, L.O.F.

SUMMARY: The proposed amendment to Rule 12D-16.002, F.A.C., amends Form DR-465, Application for Catastrophic Event Tax Refund. Extra check boxes that were included on the form resulting in the instructions to local tax officials being confusing were eliminated. Instructions for usage of the form were clarified. No requirements or responsibilities for taxpayers have been affected by the changes. (Section 197.319, F.S.)

Under section 197.3181, F.S., create two forms. Form DR-5002, Decision of the Value Adjustment Board – Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole Tax Refund. Provides value adjustment boards a form to render a decision on a taxpayer's appeal of the property appraiser's denial of a refund application for property taxes paid for residential improved property rendered uninhabitable for at least 30 days due to Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole.

Form DR-5003, Report of Total Reductions in Taxes from Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole. Provides tax collectors a reporting format to notify the Department of Revenue by September 1, 2023, of the total reduction in taxes for all properties that qualified for a refund of property taxes paid for residential improved property rendered uninhabitable for at least 30 days due to Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole.

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: 1) no requirement for a SERC was triggered under Section 120.541(1), F.S.; and, 2) based on past experiences with activities for providing the public tax information and rules of this nature, the adverse impact or regulatory cost, if any, do not exceed nor would exceed any one of the economic analysis criteria in a SERC, as set forth in Section 120.541(2)(a), F.S.

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: 195.002(2), 195.027(1), 196.075(4)(d), (5) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 95.18, 136.03, 192.001(18), 192.0105, 193.052, 193.077, 193.085, 193.092, 193.114, 193.122, 193.155, 193.1554, 193.1555, 193.1556, 193.461, 193.501, 193.503, 193.625, 193.703, 194.011, 194.032, 194.034, 194.035, 194.037, 195.002, 195.022, 195.087, 196.011, 196.015, 196.031, 196.075, 196.095, 196.101, 196.121, 196.141, 196.151, 196.173, 196.183, 196.193, 196.1961, 196.1983, 196.1995, 196.202, 196.24, 196.26, 197.182, 197.222, 197.2423, 197.2425, 197.319, 197.3632, 197.3635, 197.414, 197.432, 197.472, 197.502, 197.512, 197.552, 200.065, 200.069, 218.12, 218.125, 218.66, 218.67 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 14, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Room 1220, Building 2, Capital Circle Office Complex, 2450 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399.

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: Mike Cotton at (850)617-8870. 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: Mike Cotton, Property Tax Oversight Program, telephone (850)617-8870 or email DORPTO@floridarevenue.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS: 12D-16.002 Index to Forms.

(1) The following paragraphs list the forms adopted by the Department of Revenue. A copy of these forms may be obtained from the Department's website at floridarevenue.com/property/forms, or by writing to: Property Tax Oversight Program, Department of Revenue, Post Office Box 3000, Tallahassee, Florida 32315-3000. The Department of Revenue adopts, and incorporates by reference in this rule, the following forms and instructions:

	Form	Form Title	Effect
	Num		ive
	ber		Date
(2) th	rough (17) No Change.	
(18)	DR-	No Change.	
(a)	462		
(b)	DR-	Application and Return for Catastrophic	<u>xx/xx</u>
	465	Event Tax Refund	01/23
		(<u>r. xx/xx</u> n 01/23)	
		https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/refere	
		nce.asp?No=Ref 14888	
(19) t	hrough	(60) No Change.	
(61)	1) DR- Decision of the Value Adjustment Board		<u>xx/xx</u>
<u>(a)</u>	<u>5002</u>	- Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole Tax	
		Refund (n. xx/xx)	
		https:www.flrules.org/Gateway/referen	
		ce.asp?No=Ref-	
<u>(b)</u>	<u>DR-</u>	Report of Total Reductions in Taxes	<u>xx/xx</u>
	5003 From Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole (n. xx/xx)		
		https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/refere	
		nce.asp?No=Ref-	

Rulemaking Authority 195.002(2), 195.027(1), 196.075(4)(d), (5) FS. Law Implemented 95.18, 136.03, 192.001(18), 192.0105, 193.052, 193.077, 193.085, 193.092, 193.114, 193.122, 193.155, 193.1554, 193.1555, 193.1556, 193.461, 193.501, 193.503, 193.625, 193.703, 194.011, 194.032, 194.034, 194.035, 194.037, 195.002, 195.022, 195.087, 196.011, 196.015, 196.031, 196.075, 196.095, 196.101, 196.121, 196.141, 196.151, 196.173, 196.183, 196.193, 196.1961, 196.1983, 196.1995, 196.202, 196.24, 196.26, 197.182, 197.222, 197.2423, 197.2425, <u>197.3181</u>, 197.319, 197.3632, 197.3635, 197.414, 197.432, 197.472, 197.502, 197.512, 197.552, 200.065, 200.069, 218.12, 218.125, 218.66, 218.67 FS. History–New 10-12-76, Amended 4-11-80, 9-17-80, 5-17-81, 1-18-82, 4-29-82, Formerly 12D-16.02, Amended 12-26-88, 1-9-92, 12-10-92, 1-11-94, 12-27-94, 12-28-95, 12-25-96, 12-30-97, 12-31-98, 2-3-00, 1-9-01, 12-27-01, 1-20-03, 1-26-04, 12-30-04, 1-16-06, 10-2-07, 3-30-10, 11-12, 9-10-15, 4-5-16, 6-14-16, 1-9-17, 9-19-17, 1-17-18, 4-10-18, 9-17-18, 7-9-19, 12-7-20, 10-26-21, 11-11-21, 6-13-22, 10-30-22, 11-20-22, <u>xx-xx-xx.xx.</u>

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Mike Cotton

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Governor and Cabinet

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 23, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: March 27, 2023

STATE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

19-8.028 Reimbursement Premium Formula

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: This rule is promulgated to implement Section 215.555, Florida Statutes, regarding the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund, for the 2023-2024 contract year.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 215.555(5), Florida Statutes, proposed amended Rule 19-8.028, F.A.C., Reimbursement Premium Formula, adopts the 2023-2024 reimbursement premium formula for the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund ("Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund 2023 Ratemaking Formula Report Presented to the State Board of Administration of Florida March 23, 2023").

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: Upon review of the proposed changes to this rule and the incorporated forms, the State Board of Administration of Florida has determined that the rule does not meet the requirements for ratification by the legislature. The changes to the rule do not have an adverse impact on small business and do not directly or indirectly increase regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within 1 year of implementation. The changes to the rule also do not directly or indirectly have an adverse impact on economic growth, private sector job creation or employment, or private sector investment, business competitiveness or innovation or increase regulatory costs, including any transactional costs, in excess of \$1 million in the aggregate within 5 years after the implementation of the rule.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 215.555(3), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 215.555(2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), F.S. IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE,TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW(IF NOT REQUESTED, THIS HEARING WILL NOT BE HELD):

DATE AND TIME: June 27, 2023, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

PLACE: Conference Call in Number: 1(888)585-9008, Participant Code 973-664-296.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Mary Linzee Branham, Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund, 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32308, (850)413-1335, marylinzee.branham@sbafla.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Mary Linzee Branham at the number or email listed above.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS: 19-8.028 Reimbursement Premium Formula.

(1) Purpose. This rule adopts the Premium Formula to determine the Actuarially Indicated Reimbursement Premium to be paid to the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund, as required by section 215.555(5)(b), F.S.

(2) Definitions. The definitions in the Reimbursement Contract for the applicable Contract Year also apply to this rule and the forms referenced in this rule. In addition, as used in this rule:

(a) "SBA" means the State Board of Administration of Florida.

(b) "Contract Year" is defined in section 215.555(2), F.S.

(c) "Independent Consultant" means the independent

individual, firm, or organization with which the SBA contracts to prepare the Premium Formula and any other actuarial services for the FHCF, as determined under the contract with the Consultant.

(3) The Premium Formula.

(a) The Formula for determining the Actuarially Indicated Reimbursement Premium to be paid to the Fund, as required by section 215.555(5)(b), F.S., is the rate times the exposure per \$1,000 of insured value and this equals the Premium to be paid in dollars. The premium rates are determined by taking into account geographic location by zip code; construction type; policy deductible; type of insurance and other such factors deemed by the SBA to be appropriate. The Formula is developed by an Independent Consultant selected by the SBA, as required by section 215.555(5)(b), F.S.

(b) For the 2023/2024 Contract Year, the Formula developed by the SBA's Independent Consultant, "Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund 2023 Ratemaking Formula Report Presented to the State Board of Administration of Florida March 23, 2023, http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-

XXXXX," as approved by the SBA, is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference into this rule. The premium rates are developed in accordance with the Premium Formula methodology approved by the SBA.

(b) For the 2022/2023 Contract Year, the Formula developed by the SBA's Independent Consultant, "Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund 2022 Ratemaking Formula Report Presented to the State Board of Administration of Florida March 30, 2022,

http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-

14596," as approved by the SBA, is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference into this rule. The premium rates are developed in accordance with the Premium Formula methodology approved by the SBA.

(4) Special Circumstances.

(a) Allocation of Premium. Premiums paid to the FHCF with reference to property covered by Quota Share Primary Insurance Arrangements, as that phrase is defined in section 627.351(6)(c)2.a.(I), F.S., will be allocated by the FHCF between the Company and Citizens in accordance with the percentages specified in the Quota Share Primary Insurance Arrangement for the purposes of premium billing, calculating retentions and determining reimbursement payments.

(b) Special Rating Circumstances. The Premium Formula for policies that, based upon sound actuarial principles, require individual ratemaking and which are not excluded by rule will be based on the use of computer modeling for each individual Company for which it is applicable, i.e., portfolio modeling. The Independent Consultant will recommend guidelines for individual Company portfolio reporting and modeling to estimate individual Company FHCF expected losses. Individual Company FHCF expected losses for portfolio modeling exposures will be loaded for investments and expenses on the same basis as the FHCF premium rates used for non-portfolio modeling exposures, but will also include a loading for the additional cost of individual Company modeling. The minimum exposure threshold for FHCF portfolio modeling rating will be sufficient to generate estimated FHCF premium greater than the cost of modeling and other considerations and will be calculated by the Independent Consultant for the separate coverage levels of 45%, 75%, and 90% using the premium rates established pursuant to subsection (3). The methodology used by the Independent Consultant will be based on sound actuarial principles to establish greater actuarial equity in the premium structure.

Special recognition is not given to Companies that do not have exposure for Covered Policies for an entire Contract Year, except for New Participants as required by Article X(1) and X(2) of the Reimbursement Contract.

(5) All the forms adopted and incorporated by reference in this rule may be obtained from the FHCF website at <u>https://fhcf.sbafla.com</u> www.sbafla.com/fhef, or from the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund Administrator, Paragon Strategic Solutions Inc., at 8200 Tower, 5600 West 83rd Street, Suite 1100, Minneapolis, MN 55437.

Rulemaking Authority 215.555(3) FS. Law Implemented 215.555(2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7) FS. History–New 9-20-99, Amended 7-3-00, 9-17-01, 7-17-02, 7-2-03, 7-29-04, 7-17-05, 7-6-06, 7-17-07, 6-16-08, 8-2-09, 7-8-10, 7-3-11, 6-25-12, 6-18-13, 6-10-14, 6-2-15, 5-18-16, 5-30-17, 8-1-18, 5-21-19, 9-17-19, 7-16-20, 6-23-21, 8-18-22, <u>X-XX-23</u>.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Gina Wilson, FHCF Chief Operating Officer, State Board of Administration of Florida.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: The Trustees of the State Board of Administration of Florida.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 23, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: March 7, 2023

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Public Employees Relations Commission

RULE NO.:RULE TITLE:60CC-1.101Employee Organization Membership
Authorization Form

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect of the rule is prescription of a form required for use by certain public employees pursuant to s. 1, ch. 2023-35, L.O.F., effective July 1, 2023. SUMMARY: The rule defines terms, limits application, authorizes assistance, clarifies statutory requirements, adopts the form including instructions, incorporating the adopted form by reference, and provides an effective date of July 1, 2023, as required by the law implemented.

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 rule imposes no regulatory burden beyond the burden imposed by the statute implemented.

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: s. 1, ch. 2023-35, L.O.F., s. 447.207(1)

LAW IMPLEMENTED: s. 1, ch. 2023-35, L.O.F.

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

DATE AND TIME: June 7, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Heritage Hall, R. A. Gray Building, 500 S. Bronough St., Tallahassee, FL 32399

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: The Commission's Clerk at Suite 300, 4708 Capital Circle Northwest, Tallahassee, Florida 32303, or telephone number (850)488-8641, or emailing PercRulesClerk@perc.myflorida.com.. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THEPROPOSEDRULEIS:GerardYork,email:gerard.york@perc.myflorida.com;phone (850)488-8641.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

<u>60CC-1.101 Employee Organization Membership</u> <u>Authorization Form</u>

(1) For purposes of prescribing the membership authorization form required by section 447.301(1), F.S., as amended by chapter 2023-35, section 1, L.O.F., the terms not defined in this rule have the same meaning as in Pt. II, chapter 447, F.S. This rule defines the following terms:

(a) "Employee" means a "public employee" as defined in section 447.203(3), F.S. who desires to be a member of an employee organization that is either:

<u>1. certified to represent a bargaining unit that includes the public employee, or</u>

2. seeking to become a certified bargaining agent for a prospective bargaining unit that includes the public employee.

(b) "Class title" means the classification applicable to the employee used in the bargaining unit definition in the most recent Certification Order of the Commission.

(c) "Class code" means the code, if any, assigned by the employer to the employee's classification. If there is no class code, the completed form must so indicate.

(d) "Allowances" means regular compensation to an officer or employee of the organization to cover expenses related to service to the organization.

(e) "Other direct or indirect disbursements" means all other amounts paid to the organization's officer or employee, including reimbursed expenses, from the organization and any other employee organization affiliated with it, or with which it is affiliated, or which is affiliated with the same national or international employee organization, pursuant to section 447.305(2)(c), F.S.

(f) "Employee Organization Membership Authorization Form" is the form prescribed in subsection (2).

(g) "Agency" means the "employing agency" as defined in section 110.107, F.S., if the public employee is a state employee. If the public employee is employed directly by an agency of a political subdivision, "agency" means such agency, if different from the "employer" as defined herein.

(2) The membership authorization form required by section 447.301(1), F.S., as amended by chapter 2023-35, section 1, L.O.F., is prescribed and designated the Employee Organization Membership Authorization Form, including instructions, PERC Form No. 2023-1.101, Effective July 1, 2023, which is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference: https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15424.

(3) For purposes of the Employee Organization Membership Authorization Form, when organization dues are paid weekly, bi-weekly, or annually rather than monthly, reporting the actual amount and frequency of payment is deemed to be a disclosure of the monthly amount. The actual amount and frequency are determined as of the date the employee completes the membership authorization form.

(4) The Employee Organization, Registration Number, Date of Latest Registration Renewal, and Employee Organization Compensation Information portions of the Employee Organization Membership Authorization Form should accurately reflect the information on the organization's most recent registration or renewal application. If that application does not list the compensation information for five or more officers and employees, only those listed, if any, should be included.

(5) An employee organization registered pursuant to section 447.305, F.S., or any person assisting the employee may accurately complete any information other than the Signature of Employee and Date of Signature on an Employee Organization Membership Authorization Form and may make such partially completed forms available to public employees who desire to be a member of the organization. To be valid:

(a) All portions of the form must be completed; and

(b) The employee must personally sign the form and complete the Date of Signature.

(6) The completed form must be delivered to the employee organization identified on the form.

(7) Pursuant to the requirements of chapter 2023-35, section 1, L.O.F., this rule is effective July 1, 2023.

Rulemaking Authority Ch. 2023-35(1) Laws of Florida., 447.207(1) FS. Law Implemented Ch. 2023-35(1) Laws of Florida. History – New

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Gerard York.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Public Employees Relations Commission DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 22, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 17, 2023

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Family Safety and Preservation Program

Family Safety and Freservation Frogram		
RULE NOS.:	RULE TITLES:	
65C-16.001	Definitions	
65C-16.002	Adoptive Family Selection	
65C-16.004	Recruitment, Screening and Application	
	Process/Adoptive Applicants	
65C-16.005	Evaluation of Applicants	
65C-16.012	Types of Adoption Assistance	
65C-16.013	Determination of Maintenance Subsidy	
	Payments	
65C-16.0131	Determination of Extension of Maintenance	
	Subsidy Payments	
65C-16.015	Non-Recurring Adoption Expenses	
65C-16.019	Intervention in Dependency Cases	

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Amendments are to align with changes in s. 409.166, F.S. regarding a difficult-to-place child pursuant to Chapter Law 2022-55.

SUMMARY: Amendments include: 1) adding the definition of difficult-to-place, 2) removing obsolete definitions, 3) putting the word adoption or preliminary in front of home study to align

with term used in the definitions section, 4) replaces special needs with difficult-to-place, 5) changes FSFN to child welfare information system, 6) adds time frame to upload documentation, 7) corrects spelling errors, 8) replaces regional family safety program office with Department, 9) replaces regional managing director with Family Well-Being Director, and 10) removes language that is in statute.

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.

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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 used a checklist to conduct an economic analysis and determine if there is an adverse impact or regulatory costs associated with this rule that exceeds the criteria in section 120.541(2)(a), F.S. Based upon this analysis, the Department has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 63.233, 409.166(8), 409.167(6), 39.012, 39.0121, 39.0137, 409.175(5)(a), 409.988(2)(e) F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 39.0137, 39.0138, 39.811(8)-(9), 39.812(1), (4)-(5), 63.039(1), 63.042, 63.0425, 63.0427, 63.082(6), 63.085, 63.092, 63.165, 63.207, 409.166, 409.167, 409.175(5)(a), 409.986(2), 409.988(2) 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: Elizabeth Floyd. Elizabeth can be reached at Elizabeth.Floyd@myflfamilies.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS: 65C-16.001 Definitions.

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) "Adopted from the Department" means a child permanently committed to the custody of the Department for the purpose of adoption and has been adopted by parents who have an approved <u>adoption</u> home study by the Department. (4) through (7) No change.

(8) "Adoption Applicant Review Committee" means a committee that provides consultation and assistance to an adoption counselor when the counselor and supervisor are recommending denial of an <u>adoption adoptive</u> home study, or adoption case situations which present challenging issues, such as when multiple families apply to adopt the same child.

(9) through (10) No change.

(11) "Difficult-to-place" for a child has the same meaning as provided in s. 409.166(2), F.S. A difficult-to-place child must meet the requirements of the Social Security Act Sec. 473, 42 U.S.C. 673, where conditions or characteristics make it harder to place a child for adoption without providing adoption assistance.

(11) "Circuit/Region" means a geographic area through which the Department and community based care lead agencies plan and administer their programs.

(12) through (15) No change.

(16) "Match Staffing" means a staffing that is convened to match a child available for adoption without an identified adoptive family with prospective adoptive families with nonchild-specific approved <u>adoption adoptive</u> home studies.

(17) "Multidisciplinary Team" means the group of people brought together to plan and coordinate mental health and related services to meet the child's needs in the most appropriate, least restrictive setting.

(18) "Non Recurring Adoption Expenses" means adoption fees, court costs, attorney fees, and other expenses as defined in Section 409.166, F.S., that are directly related to the adoption of a special needs child, that were incurred prior to adoption finalization.

(19) is redesignated (17) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 63.233, 409.166(8), 409.167(6) FS. Law Implemented 63.092, 63.165, 409.166, 409.167 FS. History–New 4-28-92, Amended 4-19-94, Formerly 10M-8.0013, Amended 12-4-97, 8-19-03, 11-30-08, 7-7-16, 12-16-18, 8-15-21. <u>Amended</u>

65C-16.002 Adoptive Family Selection.

(1) A person seeking to adopt a child who does not meet the definition of <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs pursuant to Section 409.166(2), F.S., will be referred to the Adoption Information Center. Birth parents seeking adoption planning for their children will also be referred to the Adoption Information Center.

(2) Adoption placements must be made consistent with the best interest of the child. The assessment of the best interest of the child must include the current and projected future needs of the child, consideration of the birth family's medical and mental health history and the strengths of the potential adoptive family to meet the child's needs. The adoptive placement decision must be shaped by the following considerations:

(a) Grandparent. A grandparent who is entitled to notice

pursuant to Section 63.0425, F.S., must be afforded the opportunity to have <u>an adoption</u> a home study completed and to petition for adoption. If grandparents apply to adopt the child, prior to a Memorandum of Agreement to Adopt being signed by another applicant, the application must be evaluated through an adoptive home study.

(b) Current caregiver. If the current caregiver applies to adopt the child, the application must be evaluated through an <u>adoption</u> adoptive home study. The <u>adoption</u> home study must assess the length of time the child has lived with the current <u>caregiver</u> cargiver, the depth of the relationship existing between the child and the caregiver, and whether it is in the best interest of the child to be adopted by the caregiver.

(c) Relatives and nonrelatives with whom child has a relationship. Persons known to the child, but who do not have custody of the child, may wish to be considered for adoption. If such persons apply to adopt the child prior to a Memorandum of Agreement to Adopt being signed, the application must be evaluated through an adoption adoptive home study. The depth of the relationship existing between the child and the applicant must be assessed and included in the adoption home study. The "Memorandum of Agreement," CF-FSP 5072, July 2021, is incorporated by reference and available at http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13386.

(d) Family new to the child. Many families who pursue adoption do not have a specific child in mind when they apply. These families must be provided information about the children available for adoption through the department, and must be helped, through training, preparation, and the <u>adoption home</u> study process, to determine if <u>the adoption of a difficult-to-place child</u> special needs adoption is appropriate for their family.

(3) Siblings.

(a) No change.

(b) In situations where consideration is being given to separating siblings who are in an open dependency case, placing siblings sibling in different adoptive families, or making recommendations for post adoption sibling contact, a sibling separation staffing shall be held. The staffing shall consist of at least five members to include the adoption case manager, dependency dependence case manager, and licensing specialist, if applicable. At least lease five members of the staffing must have completed the Department adoption competency training and must be familiar with Chapter 63, and Section 409.166, F.S., and rule Chapter 65C-16, F.A.C., and the Department's Operating Procedure 170 12, Oct 2020, incorporated by reference and available at http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13510. The members must consider the emotional ties existing between and among the siblings and the long-term harm which each child is likely to experience as a result of separation. The

members must also consider the potential of siblings to develop a relationship when a sibling is added to an open dependency case, when siblings are separated due to placement limitations, or when the child has siblings who are not involved in the child welfare case. The positives and negatives of keeping the children together must be thoroughly explored, and at least one (1) member must be assigned the role of defending the position of placing the children together. In particularly difficult cases, professionals who have expertise in sibling bonding and adoptions may be consulted.

(c) The decision to separate siblings who are in an open dependency case must be approved in writing and documented in the <u>child welfare information system Florida Safe Families</u> Network (FSFN) by the community-based care (CBC) or subcontractor staff charged with this responsibility. The CBC or subcontractor staff shall prepare a memorandum describing efforts made to keep the siblings together and an assessment of the short-term and long-term effects of separation on the children. The memorandum must also include a description of the plan for post-adoption communication or contact, as described in Rule 65C-16.020, F.A.C., between the children if separation is approved. The final memorandum must be uploaded within 48 hours of the final signature to the adoption file cabinet of the child in the child welfare information system FSFN.

(d) If, after placement as a sibling group, one child does not adjust to the family, a decision must be made regarding what is best for all of the children. The adoption staff must review this situation as a team, and choose the plan that will be least detrimental to the children. The staffing shall be conducted as any other sibling separation staffing as prescribed in paragraph (3)(b), of this rule. The decision and rationale must be documented within 48 hours of the decision in the child welfare information system FSFN. This documentation must also include the plan for future contact if the decision is to pursue separate placements.

(e) No change.

(4) Requests for consideration made after the Memorandum of Agreement to Adopt has been signed. Once a Memorandum of Agreement is signed by the prospective adoptive parents, the Department will not complete <u>an adoption</u> <u>home study</u> <u>a homestudy</u> on any new applicant to adopt the child, unless court ordered.

(5) The following factors must be considered in determining the best interest of the child when selecting an adoptive family and when multiple families apply to adopt the same child.

(a) No change.

(b) Siblings. Consideration must be given to whether the potential caregiver is willing to adopt all members of a sibling group or whether the potential caregiver is willing to promote

promore sibling relationships when adoption of all members of the sibling group is not feasible.

(c) through (e) No change.

(6) No change.

(7) Study of the Child. The case manager or adoption counselor must conduct a study of any child to be placed for adoption. In addition to aiding in identifying an adoptive placement, the child study is also documentation of the child's <u>difficult-to-place factors special needs</u> for subsidy purposes and serves as a vehicle for sharing the child's history with the adoptive family. The child study must include current and projected or future needs of the child based on all available information regarding the child and the birth family's medical and social history. A study of the child shall include:

(a) throuth (g) No change.

(8) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 63.233 FS. Law Implemented <u>39.01375</u>, 63.039(1), 63.0425, 63.0427, 63.085 FS. History–New 2-14-84, Formerly 10M-8.02, Amended 5-20-91, 4-28-92, 4-19-94, 8-17-94, 1-8-95, Formerly 10M-8.002, Amended 12-4-97, 12-23-97, 8-19-03, 11-30-08, 7-7-16, 9-22-21. <u>Amended</u> ______.

65C-16.004 Recruitment, Screening and Application Process/Adoptive Applicants.

(1) through (3) No change.

(4) Within 10 business days after a child has been permanently committed to the Department, the adoption information screens in <u>the child welfare information system</u> FSFN must be completed by the adoption case manager, adoption recruiter, or designee.

(a) When a child or sibling group has no identified adoptive family and is or are legally free for adoption, the child or sibling group must appear on the Florida Adoption Exchange. The child must be documented with an available status, a child web memo and a current child web ready photo in <u>the child welfare information system FSFN</u>. If the child is a member of a sibling group that is seeking to be adopted together by a single family, each child must be documented with the same sibling identification number, sibling web memo and sibling web ready photo in <u>the child welfare information system FSFN</u>.

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) When a child has an identified adoptive family, the required data for the federal and state reports must be documented in <u>the child welfare information system</u> FSFN before the adoption case is closed.

(e) No change.

(5) The prospective adoptive parents' initial inquiry to the Department or to the CBC or subcontractor staff, whether written or verbal, shall be documented in the statewide <u>child</u> welfare information CCWIS system. Prospective adoptive parents who indicate an interest in adopting children must be referred to a Department-approved adoptive parent training program. The Department shall approve adoptive parent

training programs that meet the requirements set forth in subsection (6) of this rule.

(6) No change.

(7) If space is limited in scheduled classes, slots in the classes will be assigned in the following priority order:

(a) Persons with an existing relationship with a specifically identified <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs child who is waiting for adoption placement, or that child's sibling.

(b) Persons who have expressed an interest in adopting a specifically identified <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs child waiting for adoption, or that child's sibling.

(c) Persons who have explicitly stated their willingness to adopt <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs children available for placement through the Department or its designee.

(8) Once the prospective adoptive parents complete the approved adoptive parent training program, the Department will complete home studies in the following priority order:

(a) Persons with an existing relationship with a specifically identified <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs child who is waiting for adoption placement, or that child's sibling.

(b) Persons who have expressed an interest in adopting a specifically identified <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs child waiting for adoption, or that child's sibling.

(c) Persons who have explicitly stated their willingness to adopt <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs children available for placement through the Department or its designee.

(9) No change.

(10) The adoption case manager shall ensure the initiation and completion dates of the adoption home study are documented on the demographic tab of the unified study in <u>the</u> <u>child welfare information system</u> FSFN.

(a) No change.

(b) The adoption home study completion date shall be the date the adoption case manager submits the <u>adoption</u> home study to his or her supervisor for review.

Rulemaking Authority 39.012, 39.0121, 39.0137, 63.233, 409.175(5)(a), 409.988(2)(e) FS. Law Implemented 39.0137, 39.811(8)-(9), 39.812(1), (4)-(5), 63.092, 409.175(5)(a), 409.167, 409.986(2), 409.988(2) FS. History–New 7-18-95, Formerly 10M-8.0042, Amended 8-19-03, 11-30-08, 7-7-16, 8-15-21. <u>Amended</u>

65C-16.005 Evaluation of Applicants.

(1) No change.

(2) An <u>adoption</u> adoptive home study which includes observation, screening and evaluation of the child and adoptive applicants shall be completed by a staff person with the CBC, subcontractor agency, or other licensed child-placing agency prior to the adoptive placement of the child. The aim of this evaluation is to select families who will be able to meet the physical, emotional, social, educational and financial needs of a child, while safeguarding the child from further loss and separation from siblings and significant adults. The <u>adoption</u> adoptive home study is valid for 12 months from the approval date.

(3) In determining which home studies and applications for adoption will be approved, all of the following criteria, not listed in any order of priority, must be considered:

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) The family's child rearing experience. Applicants with previous child-rearing experience and who have a demonstrated history of having provided consistent financial and emotional support to other minor children, either birth or adopted, will be considered. Applicants who do not have previous child-rearing experience as a parent but who demonstrate the capacity to parent a <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs child by providing care or supervision of a child, such as in a role as an aunt or uncle, teacher, foster parent or friend, will also be considered. Families with no child-rearing experience must also be assessed for their capacity to provide care for a <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs child;

(e) through (g) No change.

(h) Income. The family must have legal and verifiable income and resources to ensure financial stability and security to meet expenses incurred in the care of the family. While a family's income must meet the needs of its current members, a family interested in a <u>difficult-to-place special needs</u> child must not be precluded from consideration if the availability of an adoption subsidy would enable them to adopt a <u>difficult-to-place special needs</u> child. Management of current income and the ability to plan for future changes in income so that the child's social, physical and financial needs will be met are as important as the amount of income;

(i) through (j) No change.

(k) Other Children, Including Adult Children, of the Family. When families have children by birth or adoption, the anticipated impact of a new child on the family must be considered. Contact must be attempted with all children of the adoptive family in order to determine the anticipated impact on the family and as part of the assessment of the potential adoptive parent's capacity to parent a <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs child;

(l) through (m) No change.

(n) Department, community-based-care (CBC) or Sub-Contractor Employees, Guardian ad Litem Employees, or Guardian ad Litem volunteers. Employees of the Department, the Guardian ad Litem program, and the CBC, including subcontractor staff, and Guardian ad Litem volunteers, may be considered as adoptive applicants. In situations where the employee or volunteer has a close working relationship with the foster care or adoption staff in his or her local area, or had such a relationship within the past two (2) years, completion of the applicant's <u>adoption</u> home study process shall be conducted by a licensed child-placing adoption agency outside the local area. The CBC agency must be notified within 72 hours when an application to adopt is received from a Department, CBC agency employee. The CBC agency will make a decision regarding whether the adoption home study for the employee will be completed by the CBC agency or if the services of another agency will be sought. If the decision is to have the employee's adoption home study and subsequent placement handled by another agency, the CBC agency shall make the necessary arrangements with the chosen agency. When an adoptive applicant is a member of a board or group which has actual or perceived authority over the Department, its CBC agency, its staff or operations, such applicant will be referred to another circuit or a local licensed child placing agency for handling;

(o) through (p) No change.

(q) References. A minimum of five (5) written references shall be required. Only one (1) reference may be obtained from an employer and only two of the references may be obtained from a relative. All other references must be obtained from persons who either: 1) have observed the applicants in situations that give some indication for their capacity for parenthood, or 2) who as the result of their relationship to the applicant, possess documentation or knowledge of the applicant's capacity for parenthood. All references shall be provided directly to the agency person conducting the <u>adoption</u> home study by the person providing the reference; and

(r) The "Acknowledgement of Firearms Safety Requirements" form CF-FSP 5343, July 2017, incorporated by reference and available at <u>http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13390</u>, must be signed and dated by the adoptive applicants as a part of the <u>adoption</u> home study process. A copy of the signed form must be retained as a part of the approved <u>adoption</u> home study and a signed copy must be provided to the prospective adoptive parents.

(4) Family Preparation and Study Process.

(a) No change

(b) The staff person conducting the <u>adoption</u> home study must clearly document in the <u>adoption</u> adoptive parent home study the reasons why the relative or non-relative caregiver will not be required to complete adoptive parent training.

(c) No change.

(5) Family Preparation Through Use of the Individual Study Process.

(a) No change.

(b) Each decision to use the individual study approach must be approved in writing by the CBC or subcontractor agency, and the <u>adoption</u> home study must include justification for use of this method.

(c) No change.

(6) Families Who Adopt Again. Prior approval of a family

to adopt does not automatically deem the family appropriate to adopt again. Consideration of any family for placement of a subsequent child requires an updating of the previous <u>adoption</u> adoptive parent home study. The update shall include an assessment of the following:

(a) through (k) No change.

(7) No change.

(8) At the conclusion of the preparation and study process, the counselor and supervisor will make a decision about the family's appropriateness to adopt. The decision to approve or not to approve will be reflected in the final recommendation included in the <u>adoption</u> home study. If the recommendation is for approval, the <u>adoption</u> home study will be submitted to the CBC or subcontractor agency for approval. If the counselor and supervisor do not recommend approval for a child specific <u>adoption</u> home study, the case will be reviewed by an Adoption Applicant Review Committee according to the directions provided in subsection 65C-16.005(9), F.A.C.

(9) Adoption Applicant Review Committee. Each CBC agency responsible for providing adoption services for children in the Department's custody must establish an Adoption Applicant Review Committee.

(a) No change.

(b) The committee will provide consultation and assistance to the adoption counselor on any child-specific <u>adoption</u> adoptive home study in which the counselor and supervisor are recommending denial, or adoption case situations which present challenging issues. Requests for committee review may be made by the adoption counselor, the Department or the CBC agency. Requests for committee review must be made in writing and forwarded to the CBC agency. While the committee is available to review any challenging case, all cases with the following issues, except as set forth below, must be referred to the committee.

1. through 5. No change.

(c) The review committee chairperson will convene the committee within 15 days of receipt of the request and provide all necessary written documents to the committee members prior to the committee convening. A written recommendation will be submitted to the Department regional Family Safety Program Office and the CBC agency within 10 business days of the committee's decision. Following input from the Department regional Family Safety Program Office and the CBC agency, the chairperson will prepare a written report within ten (10) business days summarizing consensus of the committee and the recommendation from the Department regional Family Safety Program Office and the CBC agency. The recommendation to approve the applicant will be submitted to the CBC agency or a designee. The recommendation to deny the applicant will be submitted to the Family Well-Being Director regional managing director and the CBC agency or a designee.

(d) The CBC agency will provide the applicant with written notification of the decision to approve within 10 business days of the decision. The <u>Family Well-Being Director regional</u> managing director shall provide the applicant with written notification of the decision to deny the application, within 10 business days of the decision. The written notice must include the reason for the denial, and must advise the applicant of his or her option for review of the denial pursuant to Chapter 120, F.S.

(e) The county of jurisdiction shall complete all Adoption Applicant Review Committee staffings on any child or any <u>adoption</u> home study related to the child. If the county of jurisdiction can not complete the staffing due to a conflict, a request shall be made, in consultation with the <u>Family Well-Being Director</u> regional managing director or designee, to transfer the staffing to another county.

Rulemaking Authority 39.012, 63.233 FS. Law Implemented 39.0138, 63.042, 63.092, 63.207 FS. History–New 2-14-84, Formerly 10M-8.05, Amended 4-28-92, 4-19-94, 8-17-94, 1-8-95, 7-18-95, Formerly 10M-8.005, Amended 12-23-97, 8-19-03, 11-30-08, 7-7-16, 8-15-21. Amended _______.

65C-16.012 Types of Adoption Assistance.

(1) No change.

(2) Maintenance Subsidy. A monthly payment may be made for support and maintenance of a <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs child until the child's 18th birthday.

(3) Extension of Maintenance Adoption Subsidy. A monthly payment made for support and maintenance of a <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs young adult until the young adult's 21st birthday.

(4) through (5) No change.

(6) Reimbursement for Non-recurring Adoption Expenses. Nonrecurring adoption expenses are those necessary adoption fees, court costs, attorney's fees, and other expenses that are directly related to the legal adoption of a <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs child.

(7) No change.

(8) Federal Adoption Tax Credit. Families that adopt children with special needs who are considered difficult-toplace are eligible for a tax credit based on expenses related to the adoption or a reimbursable amount based on the year of the adoption finalization. Staff must inform adoptive parents of this tax benefit and the website www.irs.gov to obtain Form 8839, and the instructions for completing Form 8839.

(9) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 409.166(8) FS. Law Implemented 409.166 FS. History–New 2-14-84, Formerly 10M-8.18, 10M-8.018, Amended 8-19-03, 11-30-08, 7-7-16, 12-16-18. <u>Amended</u>

65C-16.013 Determination of Maintenance Subsidy Payments.

(1) The purpose of adoption subsidy is to make available to prospective adoptive parents financial aid which would enable them to adopt a <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs child. Every adoptive family must be advised of the availability of adoption subsidy and the purpose for which it is intended. Except as set forth in subsection (6) below, placement without subsidy must be the placement of choice unless it can be shown that such placement is not in the best interest of the child.

(2) The child's and the family's need for subsidy must be determined prior to the adoptive placement. A family who enters into their initial subsidy agreement when the child is 16 or 17 years of age must make an election on the initial "Adoption Assistance Agreement" of whether or not to <u>participate</u> particiapte in the Extension of Maintenance Adoption subsidy program. No subsidy payment may be made prior to all parties signing the "Adoption Assistance Agreement," CF-FSP 5079, (October 2022), incorporated by reference and available at http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14819.

(a) No change.

(b) If the Department or CBC agency does not have responsibility for placement and care of the child, the CBC agency in the adoptive parents' county of residence is responsible for determining whether the child meets the definition of <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs, entering into the Adoption Assistance Agreement and paying the adoption subsidy.

(c) No change.

(3) through (4) No change.

(5) No child shall remain unnecessarily in foster care while the Department searches for a non-subsidized placement, if a family who can meet the <u>difficult-to-place factors</u> special needs of the child is available, but requires a subsidy.

(6) The CBC or subcontractor agency adoption staff shall inform the caregiver that adoption subsidy, unlike foster care board rate payments, is not intended to cover the complete cost of the child's care. The maintenance subsidy payment is intended to assist the adoptive parent in supporting the extra costs associated with adopting a <u>difficult-to-place</u> child with special needs.

(7) through (14) No change.

(15) Any child who has been determined eligible for adoption subsidy whose adoption has been dissolved by termination of parental rights or by the death of the adoptive parents must continue to meet the definition of <u>difficult-to-place special needs</u> in the subsequent adoption in order to be eligible for adoption assistance.

(16) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 409.166(8) FS. Law Implemented 409.166(4) FS. History–New 2-14-84, Formerly 10M-8.20, Amended 5-20-91, 4-19-94, Formerly 10M-8.020, Amended 12-23-97, 8-19-03, 11-30-08, 7-7-16, 10-30-16, 12-18-16, 9-25-17, 2-5-18, 12-16-18, 8-15-21, 11-7-22. <u>Amended</u>

65C-16.0131 Determination of Extension of

Maintenance Subsidy Payments.

(1) The purpose of the Extension of Maintenance Adoption Subsidy is to make available to prospective adoptive parents financial aid that would enable them to adopt a <u>difficult-toplace</u> special needs child who is 16 or 17 years of age. Every adoptive family adopting a child at the age of 16 or 17 must be advised of the availability of Extension of Maintenance Adoption Subsidy and the purpose for which it is intended.

(2) through (4) No change.

(5) The CBC or subcontractor agency adoption staff shall inform the adoptive parent(s) that the Extension of Maintenance Adoption Subsidy, unlike foster care board rate payments, is not intended to cover the complete cost of the young adult's care. The Extension of Maintenance Adoption payment is intended to be a continuation in assisting the adoptive parent with the extra costs associated with supporting the young adult with special needs who is considered difficult-to-place.

(6) through (14) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 409.166(8) FS. Law Implemented 409.166(4) FS. History–New 12-16-18, Amended 8-15-21, 11-7-22. Amended

65C-16.015 Non-Recurring Adoption Expenses.

(1) Under any adoption assistance agreement with adoptive parents of a <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs child, the state is authorized to make payments to the adoptive parents <u>as</u> <u>referenced in s. 409.166(7), F.S.</u> for non recurring, one time, expenses the adoptive parents have incurred in connection with adoption of the special needs child. Nonrecurring adoption expenses are those adoption fees, court costs, attorney fees, and other expenses which are directly related to the adoption of the special needs child. Such costs may include expenditures for physical and psychological examinations of the adoptive parents if required as a part of the adoption process, as well as transportation, lodging and food for the child or adoptive parents when necessary to complete the placement or adoption process.

(2) through (6) No change.

(7) The following procedures will initiate payments for reimbursement of nonrecurring adoption expenses:

(a) All adoptive parents of <u>difficult-to-place</u> special needs children will be advised by the staff person conducting the <u>adoption</u> home study of the availability of nonrecurring expense reimbursement;

(b) Reimbursement for eligible costs may be made to the adoptive parent or directly to a vendor. All adoptive parents will be advised by the staff person conducting the <u>adoption</u> home study to keep copies of receipts of expenditures related to the adoption. Copies of such receipts must be available in the subsidy record. Eligible expenses include court costs, attorney fees, birth certificates, costs of required physicals and psychological examinations, costs of transportation, lodging and food for the child and/or adoptive parents when necessary to complete the adoption process, and the cost of the <u>adoption</u> home study if the child is in the custody of a private agency;

(c) through (d) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 409.166(8) FS. Law Implemented 409.166 FS. History–New 5-20-91, Amended 4-19-94, Formerly 10M-8.0221, Amended 8-19-03, 11-30-08, 7-7-16. <u>Amended</u>_____

65C-16.019 Intervention in Dependency Cases.

(1) through (3) No change.

(4) The Department shall evaluate the intervention preliminary home study of the adoption entity's prospective adoptive parent and any other relevant information available to the Department to determine whether the placement will be in the child's best interest using the "Intervention Best Interest Checklist" form, CF-FSP 5451, July 2021, incorporated and available at

http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13391, based on the following factors:

(a) through (j) No change.

(k) All <u>the special</u> needs of the child, including the child's physical health, mental health, educational needs, and attachment concerns;

(1) No change.

(5) The Intervention Best Interest Checklist must be uploaded into the child welfare information system FSFN and shared with Children's Legal Services within 48 hours of completion by the adoption case manager.

(6) If the court grants the intervention, the CBC or subcontractor shall terminate their supervision and end the removal episode of the child in <u>the child welfare information</u> <u>system FSFN</u> with a discharge reason of transferred to another agency. The CBC or subcontractor shall not close the case in <u>the child welfare information system</u> FSFN until finalization of the adoption.

(7) through (11) No change.

(12) If the adoptive family requests subsidy and the child is determined eligible for maintenance adoption subsidy, all required documentation supporting the request must be provided to the CBC or subcontractor and the private adoption screen in <u>the child welfare information system</u> FSFN must be completed if the subsidy is approved.

(13) Department's Legal Case File. When an adoption entity intervenes in a dependency court case, the Department, through an attorney for the Department, shall maintain a legal case file until the adoption is finalized. For this file, the Department shall collect and maintain the following:

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) The final adoption home study; and,

(e) No change.

(14) Final <u>Adoption</u> Home Study. The intervening adoption entity shall provide the court and the Department with

a final <u>adoption</u> home study before a final order of adoption is granted. The final <u>adoption</u> home study shall meet the following requirements:

(a) The final <u>adoption</u> home study must be performed by a licensed child-placing agency, a child-caring agency registered under Section 409.176, F.S., a licensed professional, or an agency as described in Section 61.20(2), F.S., unless the petitioner is a stepparent or relative.

(b) The final adoption home study shall contain:

1. through 4. No change.

(15) through (18) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 63.233 FS. Law Implemented 63.082(6), 63.092 FS. History–New 7-7-16, Amended 8-15-21. <u>Amended</u>

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Valerie Proctor

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Shevaun L. Harris

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 5, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: October 31, 2023

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.:	RULE TITLE:
68A-6.004	Possession of Class I, II, and III Wildlife:
	Permit Application Criteria

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed amendments is to update language in the application process to reflect the completed transition to an online system. These amendments will have the effect of updating the application process.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule will update language in the application process to reflect the transition to an online system. 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.

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RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Florida Constitution

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Florida Constitution IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAR.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Major Grant Burton, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-6.004 Possession of Class I, II, and III Wildlife: Permit Application Criteria.

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) Class I or II wildlife permit application requirements: An applicant shall make application to the Commission using the provided application available on http://www.myFWC.com or by submitting the online application through http://www.GoOutdoorsFlorida.com. The applicant for a permit to possess Class I or II wildlife shall provide the following information:

(a) through (i) No change.

(4) No change.

(5) Class III permit application requirements: An applicant shall make application to the Commission using the provided application available on http://www.myFWC.com or by submitting the online application through http://www.GoOutdoorsFlorida.com. The applicant for a permit to possess Class III wildlife shall provide the following information:

(a) through (j) No change.

(6) through (7) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.303, 379.304 FS. History–New 8-1-79, Amended 6-22-80, 6-4-81, Formerly 39-9.03, Amended 6-21-82, Formerly 39-6.04, Amended 5-10-87, 4-13-88, 7-1-90, 9-1-90, 4-14-92, 2-1-98, Formerly 39-6.004, Amended 1-1-08, 8-27-09, 9-30-19, 8-23-22, NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Colonel Roger Young

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 10, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 8, 2023

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68A-6.010 Facility Requirements for Class I and II Wildlife

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed amendments is to update language in the application process to reflect the completed transition to an online system. These amendments will have the effect of updating the application process.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule will update language in the application process to reflect the transition to an online system. SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Major Grant Burton, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-6.010 Facility Requirements for Class I and II Wildlife.

(1) In order to assure public safety, the facilities for the housing of Class I and Class II wildlife shall meet the requirements of this rule. Compliance with these requirements is a necessary condition for licensure. For the purposes of this rule, a "facility" means the site at which Class I or Class II wildlife are kept or exhibited, except for those locations where the standard caging requirements are exempted under Rules 68A-6.0013, 68A-6.014 and 68A-6.015, F.A.C. Upon receipt of an initial application regarding Class I or Class II wildlife, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission shall notify the county or municipality wherein the proposed facility is to be located of a pending application and provide the information required of applicants below. Current licensees that desire to expand their inventory to include a family of Class I or Class II species not previously authorized at their facility location shall comply with the requirements herein. Requests to upgrade wildlife classification authorizations shall be considered initial applications for license purposes. Applicants for Class I or Class II wildlife shall provide the following information upon initial application, using the provided form available on http://www.myFWC.com or online through http://GoOutdoorsFlorida.com:

(a) through (d) No change.

(2) through (6) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 9-30-19, Amended 8-23-22, .

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Colonel Roger Young

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 10, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 8, 2023

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.:	RULE TITLE:
68A-6.017	Possession and Exhibition of Venomous
	Reptiles and Reptiles of Concern

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed amendments is to update language in the application process to reflect the completed transition to an online system. These amendments will have the effect of updating the application process.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule will update language in the application process to reflect the transition to an online system. SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Florida Constitution

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Florida Constitution IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAR.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Major Grant Burton, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-6.017 Possession and Exhibition of Venomous Reptiles and Reptiles of Concern.

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) Venomous reptile or reptile of concern permit application requirements: An applicant shall make application to the Commission using the provided application available on http://www.myFWC.com or by submitting the online application through http://www.GoOutdoorsFlorida.com. The applicant for a permit to possess venomous reptiles or reptiles of concern shall provide the following information:

(a) through (h) No change.

(4) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 9-30-19, Amended 8-23-22,_____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Colonel Roger Young

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 10, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 8, 2023

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.:RULE TITLE:68A-6.0172Record Keeping and Reporting
Requirements for Venomous Reptiles and
Reptiles of Concern

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed amendments is to update language in the application process to reflect the completed transition to an online system. These amendments will have the effect of updating the application process.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule will update language in the
application process to reflect the transition to an online system.SUMMARYOFSTATEMENTOFESTIMATEDREGULATORYCOSTSANDLEGISLATIVERATIFICATION:

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RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Florida Constitution

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Major Grant Burton, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-6.0172 Record Keeping and Reporting Requirements for Venomous Reptiles and Reptiles of Concern.

Any person who possesses any live venomous reptile or reptile of concern shall have a permit issued in accordance with Section 379.372, and if applicable, Section 379.3761, F.S., and comply with Section 379.304, F.S., and the provisions of this rule, Rules 68A-6.017 and 6.0171, F.A.C.

(1) No change.

(2) Reporting:

(a) Persons exhibiting or selling live venomous reptiles or reptiles of concern in accordance with Section 379.372 or 379.3761, F.S., shall submit a report including quantity of births, deaths, in-state acquisitions, out-of-state acquisitions, in-state sales or transfers, and out-of-state sales or transfers of both native and non-native venomous reptiles, per biological family, and reptiles of concern, per species. Such report shall be submitted to the Commission using the provided form available on <u>http://www.myFWC.com</u> or online through http://www.GoOutdoorsFlorida.com upon annual renewal of license and six months thereafter. The reporting period shall span the six months preceding the reporting date.

(b) Persons possessing any live venomous reptile or reptile of concern in accordance with Section 379.372, F.S., for personal use shall submit a report including quantity of births, deaths, in-state acquisitions, out-of-state acquisitions, in-state sales or transfers, and out-of-state sales or transfers of both native and non-native venomous reptiles, per biological family, and reptiles of concern, per species. Such report shall be submitted to the Commission using the provided form available on <u>http://www.myFWC.com</u> or online through http://www.GoOutdoorsFlorida.com upon annual renewal of license and upon any instance of inventory change. The reporting period shall span the six months preceding the reporting date.

(c) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 9-30-19, Amended 8-23-22.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Colonel Roger Young

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 10, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 8, 2023

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE: 68A-9.005 Falconry

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed amendments is to update language in the application process to reflect the completed transition to an online system. Other amendments would clarify the reporting method for specific falconry actions not available in the online permitting system. These amendments will have the effect of clarifying the application process.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule will update language in the application process to reflect the transition to an online system and clarify the method for reporting specific falconry actions not available in the online permitting system.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Major Grant Burton, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS: 68A-9.005 Falconry.

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) Permit application requirements: An applicant shall make application to the Commission using the provided application available on http://www.myFWC.com or by submitting the online application through http://www.GoOutdoorsFlorida.com. The applicant for a permit to possess any raptor for falconry purposes shall provide the following information:

(a) through (e) No change.

- (4) No change.
- (5) Permit conditions:
- (a) through (b) No change.

(c) Permittee must notify the FWC, Division of Law Enforcement, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1600, in writing or online through http://www.GoOutdoorsFlorida.com within five business days if the location of permittee's raptor resident facility is changed.

(6) through (10) No change.

(11) Marking:

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) For bands that cause problems or exceptions to the above requirements, a request for <u>deviation</u> variance from rule may be made in writing to FWC Division of Law Enforcement,

620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399 1600 or online through http://www.GoOutdoorsFlorida.gov.

(12) Capturing, releasing, and transporting raptors:

(a) Capturing:

1.through11. No change.

12. A resident of a state other than Florida who holds a valid falconry permit in their state of residence may take raptors in Florida, and possess and transport raptors so taken, under authority of a permit issued by the executive director. A request for raptor take permits from nonresidents shall include a copy of the applicant's falconry permit; a list of the species, number, and age of raptors proposed to be taken; a list of all other raptors held under the applicant's falconry permit; and a description of the general area where raptors are proposed to be taken. Permit issuance will be based on consideration of the population status of the species requested; whether or not the species requested is listed by FWC or the Service as threatened, endangered, or of special concern; the number of raptors to be taken; and the permit class of the applicant. Applicants for nonresident raptor take permits shall adhere to the restrictions on take and possession limits for Florida residents as provided in this rule section, and shall submit to FWC, Division of Law Enforcement, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1600, -through or http://www.GoOutdoorsFlorida.com, a list of all raptors taken and the location(s) where they were captured within 10 days of take.

13. through 15. No change.

(b) Releasing:

1.through 2. No change.

3. A captive-bred raptor may only be released if the species is native to Florida and if the permittee is given permission by the Executive Director. The permittee must make the request in writing to FWC, Division of Law Enforcement, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1600 or online through http://www.GoOutdoorsFlorida.com. If permitted to release the raptor, the permittee must hack the bird to the wild at an appropriate time of year at an appropriate location. This release must be reported to the Service and FWC within 10 business days.

4. No change.

(c) No change.

(13) through (15) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 8-1-79, Amended 6-21-82, 7-1-84, Formerly 39-9.05, Amended 4-14-92, 7-1-94, Formerly 39-9.005, Amended 1-19-10, 1-1-14, 8-23-22,

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Colonel Roger Young

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 10, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 8, 2023

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68A-9.006 Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed amendments is to update language in the application process to reflect the completed transition to an online system. These amendments will have the effect of updating the application process.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule will update language in the application process to reflect the transition to an online system. SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Major Grant Burton, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS: 68A-9.006 Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit.

(1) through (3) No change.

(4) Permit application requirements: An applicant shall make application to the Commission using the provided application available on http://www.myFWC.com or by submitting the online application through http://www.GoOutdoorsFlorida.com. The applicant for a permit to possess wildlife for rehabilitation purposes shall provide the following information:

(a) through (m) No change.

(5) through (8) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 11-6-94, Formerly 39-9.006, Amended 8-27-09, 3-24-13, 3-24-13, 7-1-13, 8-2-22,

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Colonel Roger Young

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 10, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 8, 2023

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68A-12.004 Possession or Sale of Birds or Mammals; Taxidermy Operations and Mounting Requirements

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed amendments is to update language in the application process to reflect the completed transition to an online system. These amendments will have the effect of updating the application process.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule will update language in the application process to reflect the transition to an online system. SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE

REGULATORY COSTS AND LEG RATIFICATION:

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Major Grant Burton, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-12.004 Possession or Sale of Birds or Mammals; Taxidermy Operations and Mounting Requirements.

(1) through (10) No change.

(11) Taxidermy operations and mounting requirements:

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) Persons engaged in taxidermy shall not possess nor mount fish and wildlife carcasses listed in subparagraphs 68A-12.004(11)(b)1.-5., F.A.C., nor their parts (except for roadkilled fox) without a permit from the Commission, except as provided herein. The procedure for obtaining permits for mounting shall be as follows:

1. Persons wishing to possess or mount such specimens or have such services performed, shall make application to the Commission <u>in writing or</u> online through http://www.GoOutdoorsFlorida.com for such permit.

2. through 5. No change.

(d) through (e) No change.

(12) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 8-1-79, Amended 6-4-81, 6-

21-82, 7-5-84, Formerly 39-12.04, Amended 5-10-87, 6-8-87, 4-20-94, 8-7-97, Formerly 39-12.004, Amended 7-29-15, 1-11-17, 7-1-19, 7-4-21, 7-1-22, 8-2-22,____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Colonel Roger Young

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 10, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 8, 2023

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.:RULE TITLE:68A-12.010Regulations Governing the Operation of
Private Hunting Preserves

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed amendments is to update language in the application process to reflect the completed transition to an online system. These amendments will have the effect of updating the application process.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule will update language in the application process to reflect the transition to an online system. 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 nature of the rule and the preliminary analysis conducted to determine whether a SERC was required.

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: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Florida Constitution

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Florida Constitution IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAR. 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: the ADA Coordinator, at (850)488-6411. 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: Major Grant Burton, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-12.010 Regulations Governing the Operation of Private Hunting Preserves.

(1) through (3) No change.

(4) License application requirements: An applicant shall make application to the Commission using the provided application available on http://www.myFWC.com or by submitting the online application through http://www.GoOutdoorsFlorida.com. The applicant for a preserve license shall provide the following information:

(a) through (m) No change.

(5) through (22) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 8-1-79, Amended 6-4-81, 6-21-82, 7-1-83, Formerly 39-12.10, Amended 8-5-86, 4-11-90, 4-15-92, 10-20-96, 6-23-99, Formerly 39-12.010, Amended 5-29-01, 11-3-02, 7-1-05, 11-22-18, 12-3-20, 7-4-21, 7-1-22, 8-2-22, _____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Colonel Roger Young

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 10, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 8, 2023

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68A-12.011 Regulations Governing the Establishment and Operation of Game Farms

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed amendments is to update language in the application process to reflect the completed transition to an online system. These amendments will have the effect of updating the application process. SUMMARY: The proposed rule will update language in the application process to reflect the transition to an online system. 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.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Major Grant Burton, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-12.011 Regulations Governing the Establishment and Operation of Game Farms.

(1) through (3) No change.

(4) License application requirements: An applicant shall make application to the Commission using the provided application available on http://www.myFWC.com or by submitting the online application through http://www.GoOutdoorsFlorida.com. An applicant for a game farm license shall provide the following information:

(a) through (j) No change.

(5) through (19) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.302, 379.3711 FS. History–New 8-27-09, Amended 11-22-18, 12-3-20, 7-4-21, 8-2-22, _____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Colonel Roger Young

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 10, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 8, 2023

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Marine Fisheries

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68B-2.006 Restricted Species Endorsement

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this proposed rule amendment is clarifying rule language and correcting a punctuation error related to income qualification requirements for the restricted species endorsement (RS) that may lead to confusion. The effect of this rule amendment would be to correct grammar and clarify that income qualification requirements apply to persons 16 years of age or older as well as to firms and for-profit corporations. This rule amendment aligns with the intent of the rule and will not modify the current practice for issuance of the RS.

SUMMARY: The RS is a commercial fishing endorsement that allows a person or entity with a Saltwater Products License (SPL) to harvest commercial quantities of saltwater species designated as "restricted species" by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) and sell them to licensed wholesale seafood dealers. The RS is issued at no cost to SPL holders who either meet income qualification requirements associated with the sale of saltwater products or qualify for an exception to income requirements. The RS was created to professionalize Florida's commercial fishing industry and prevent recreational harvesters from purchasing an SPL to circumvent recreational bag limits.

This rule amendment would correct grammar and clarify rule language that may lead a person to misinterpret the applicability of the income qualification requirements for the issuance of an RS. This amendment would clarify that income qualification requirements apply to persons 16 years of age or older as well as to firms and for-profit corporations. This amendment aligns with the intent of the rule and will not change the current practice for issuance of the RS. 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 nature of the rule and the preliminary analysis conducted to determine whether a SERC was required.

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: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution

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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: the ADA Coordinator, at (850)488-6411.. 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: Jessica McCawley, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries Management, 620 S. Meridian St., Tallahassee, Florida 32399, and (850)487-0554.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS: 68B-2.006 Restricted Species Endorsement.

(1) A restricted species endorsement on the saltwater products license is required to sell to a licensed wholesale dealer those species which the state, by law or rule, has designated as "restricted species." This endorsement shall be issued only to a person who is at least 16 years of age, or to a firm, each of which <u>must certify certifying</u> that over 25% percent of <u>their its</u> income or \$5,000 of <u>their its</u> income, whichever is less, is attributable to the sale of saltwater products pursuant to a saltwater products license issued under Section 379.361(2), F.S., or a similar license from another state. This endorsement may also be issued to a for-profit corporation if it certifies that at least \$5,000 of its

income is attributable to the sale of saltwater products pursuant to a saltwater products license or a similar license from another state. However, if at least 50% percent of the annual income of a person, firm, or for-profit corporation is derived from charter fishing, the person, firm, or for-profit corporation must certify that at least \$2,500 of the income of the person, firm, or corporation is attributable to the sale of saltwater products pursuant to a saltwater products license issued or a similar license from another state, in order to be issued the endorsement. Such income attribution must apply to at least 1 of the last 3 years. For the purpose of this rule, "income" means that income that is attributable to work, employment, entrepreneurship, pensions, retirement benefits, and social security benefits.

(2) through (4) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution. Law Implemented Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution. History–New 11-11-12, Amended 9-1-13, 10-16-14, 7-1-15, 12-28-16,

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Jessica McCawley, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries Management, 620 S. Meridian St., Tallahassee, Florida 32399, and (850) 487-0554.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 10, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 1, 2023

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Division of Workers' Compensation		
RULE NOS .:	RULE TITLES:	
69L-22.006	Screening Process	
69L-22.007	Vocational Evaluations	
69L-22.008	Reemployment Services and Programs	
69L-22.011	List of Forms	
69L-22.012	Expenditures from the Workers'	
	Compensation Administration Trust Fund	
69L-22.013	Trial Period of Reemployment	

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rule amendments will address training, education, and reemployment benefits provided to injured workers.

SUMMARY: The proposed amendments will update language to streamline rule text, clarify time frames and document requirements for worker's compensation screenings and evaluations. The proposed edits will also provide guidelines for payments, to obtain a general education diploma, and for other training and educational certificates. This rulemaking will also provide parameters for a trial period of reemployment to help the injured individual reenter the work force and make other necessary changes.

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: 440.15, 440.491, 440.591 FS. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 440.15, 440.491 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: Lisel Laslie, Chief, Bureau of Employee Assistance, 200 E. Gaines Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-4229, Lisel.Laslie@myfloridacfo.com, (850)413-1737.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS: 69L-22.006 Screening Process.

(1) A request for screening must be made using Form DFS-F3-DWC-23, Request for Screening, as incorporated by reference in rule 69L-22.011, F.A.C. Before the Department will consider a request complete and initiate a screening, the injured employee must:

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) Provide documentation to establish identity and employment eligibility. Such documentation shall be consistent with the acceptable documents for verifying identity and employment eligibility as required by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services' Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification (Effective 10/21/19 Rev. 03/08/13 N), which is incorporated by reference herein available and at: http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/wc/ or http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Refhttp://www.uscis.gov/files/form/i 9.pdf.

(d) No change.

(2) No change.

(3) The screening process shall consist of:

(a) No change.

(b) A review of the documentation which supports the payment of temporary partial disability and wage loss benefits to determine the injured employee's inability to obtain suitable gainful employment because of his <u>or her</u> injury;

(c) No change.

(d) A vocational assessment. The vocational assessment shall determine the relevance and weight of the following factors in the case: the permanent physical restrictions, if any, present in the case; the availability of employment with the employer at the time of the injury; the injured employee's transferable skills and the labor market; whether the injured employee conducted an unsuccessful job search, and the reasons the job search was unsuccessful; the injured employee's education and academic skills and vocational education; the injured employee's motivation; the injured employee's financial ability to complete a training and education program; and the availability of transportation to allow the injured employee to complete a training and education program. The vocational assessment shall determine whether the injured employee is eligible or ineligible to receive reemployment services, or is eligible to receive reemployment services. If the injured employee is eligible to receive reemployment services, the vocational assessment shall determine which of the following shall be offered to the injured employee: job placement assistance, and/or on-the-job training, and/or a vocational evaluation, and/or a training and education program costing less than \$2,500 and lasting twelve (12) months or less.

(4) A rehabilitation provider performing vocational assessments shall:

(a) Conduct an initial interview with the injured employee within seven (7) days of accepting the referral;

(b) Submit to the Department, within thirty (30) calendar days of the initial interview, a written report which shall address each of the vocational assessment factors enumerated above and discuss how the provision of the recommended service(s) will facilitate reemployment;

(c) No change.

(d) Submit to the Department, within ten (10) days of submission of the written report, a <u>signed</u> statement <u>affirming</u> of acknowledgement of the vocational assessment signed by the injured employee and the rehabilitation provider <u>has discussed</u> the results of the vocational assessment with the injured employee.

(5) The carrier shall provide, within 10 business days of receipt of a request from the Department, any medical, vocational, and other requested documents or reports related to the injured employee's workers' compensation <u>claim</u> case.

(6) through (7) No change.

(8) The Department shall not provide any reemployment services, including a vocational evaluation unless the injured employee provides documentation to establish identity and employment eligibility. Such documentation shall be consistent with the acceptable documents for verifying identity and employment eligibility as required by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services' Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification, which is incorporated by reference in this Rule (Rev. 03/08/13 N) which is incorporated by reference herein and available at http://www.uscis.gov/files/form/i 9.pdf.

(9) through (10) No Change.

(11) The Department shall not refer the injured employee for a vocational evaluation if the injured employee:

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) Has transferable skills which would allow <u>the injured</u> <u>employee to</u> return to work in suitable gainful employment;

(d) Was terminated by the employer for good cause unrelated to the injury or any restrictions or limitations resulting therefrom; or

(e) Terminated suitable gainful employment for reasons unrelated to the injury<u>: or -</u>

(f) Refused an offer of employment within the injured employee's functional limitations and restrictions, and such employment would pay at least eighty percent (80%) of the compensation rate.

Rulemaking Authority 440.491(6), 440.591 FS. Law Implemented 440.491 FS. History–New 7-1-96, Amended 6-26-01, Formerly 38F-55.009, Amended 5-5-04, 5-7-09, Formerly 6A-22.006, Amended 3-31-14, 5-9-16, _____.

69L-22.007 Vocational Evaluations.

(1) The provision of Department sponsored vocational evaluations shall be limited to one (1) per injured employee, per date of accident. Vocational evaluations shall be adapted to the specific needs of <u>the</u> an injured employee to insure validity.

(2) through (3) No changes.

(4) Testing instruments, including work samples, used in vocational evaluations, reemployment assessments, vocational <u>assessments</u>, or other reemployment service activities may be administered and scored under the supervision of a rehabilitation provider. Testing instruments shall be interpreted by the rehabilitation provider with whom the contract for services is authorized.

Rulemaking Authority 440.491(6), 440.591 FS. Law Implemented 440.491 FS. History–New 7-1-96, Formerly 38F-55.010, Formerly 6A-22.007, Amended 3-31-14._____.

69L-22.008 Reemployment Services and Programs.

(1) through (6) No Change.

(7) The Department will not approve training for a General Education Diploma (GED) longer than two (2) semesters unless the Department has authorized enrollment in a training and education program that runs concurrent with the GED training.

(8)(7) The Department will approve an individual course or multiple courses when it is demonstrated that the skills to be gained are necessary for the injured employee to secure suitable gainful employment.

<u>(9)(8)</u> The Department will approve training and education programs which exceed <u>fifty-two (52)</u> weeks only when there is no program shorter than <u>fifty-two (52)</u> weeks which would enable the injured employee to return to suitable gainful employment, the injured employee provides a plan for living expenses during the period in excess of <u>fifty-two (52)</u> weeks, and the injured employee has no formal marketable vocational training and education.

(10)(9) If the Department determines a training and education program is necessary to return the an injured employee to suitable gainful employment, the Department shall have the exclusive right to approve training and education programs and facilities at which to sponsor the injured employee.

(a) No change.

(b) For dates of accident October 1, 1989 through and including September 30, 2003, training and education programs at private training and education facilities shall not be approved unless such recommended training and education is not offered at a public training and education facility or provides an overall cost or time cost/time savings.

1. through 2. No change.

3. The injured employee presents evidence of acceptance into a degree program prior to the Department's Disposition letter of approval; and,

- 4. No change.
- (c) No change.

(d) For dates of accident on or after July 1, 2010, only training and education programs which are consistent with the requirements found in section 440.491(6)(a), F.S., as effective on July 1, 2010, shall be approved. Training and education services secured from additional providers must demonstrate an overall <u>cost or time cost/time</u> savings.

(10) through (11) renumbered as (11) through (12) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 440.491(6), 440.591 FS. Law Implemented 440.491 FS. History–New 7-1-96, Amended 2-9-00, 6-26-01, Formerly 38F-55.011, Amended 3-1-05, 5-7-09, Formerly 6A-22.008, Amended 3-31-14, 5-9-16,

69L-22.011 List of Forms.

(1) No change.

(2) <u>Copies of the above</u> The Department will not supply the forms promulgated under this chapter, but will make sample forms <u>are</u> available on the Department's web site at: http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/wc/.

Rulemaking Authority 440.491(6), 440.591 FS. Law Implemented 440.491 FS. History–New 7-1-96, Amended 6-26-01, Formerly 38F-

55.014, Amended 5-5-04, 5-7-09, Formerly 6A-22.011, Amended 3-31-14, 5-9-16,____.

69L-22.012 Expenditures from the Workers' Compensation Administration Trust Fund.

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) The maximum cost the Department shall expend for an approved training and education plan shall not exceed 85% of the injured employee's pre-injury average weekly wages as calculated on an annual basis, which amount shall include:

(a) Pre-approved costs for fees, tuition, books and special supplies required by the approved training and education program curriculum.; The Department will not pay for more than seventy-three (73) credit hours, which shall include any required remedial course work;

(b) Pre-approved costs for board, lodging, and travel at the rate currently allowed for state employees when an approved training and education program requires temporary relocation for participation; or pre-approved mileage reimbursement at the rate currently allowed for state employees for mileage to the training and education facility in excess of 50 miles, one-way, using the most direct route from the injured employee's customary residence. Mileage expense will not be reimbursed or paid by the Department when the training and education facility is less than 50 miles from the injured employee's customary residence at the time of approval for training and education;-

(c) One-time, pre-approved costs for certification examinations as recommended in a vocational evaluation or vocational assessment; and

(d) Pre-approved costs for the General Education Diploma (GED) one (1) time per date of accident. Costs shall be limited to:

1. One pre-GED test which shall include all GED subject areas;

2. Not more than two (2) semesters of GED preparation or remediation;

3. One GED test; and,

4. If the injured employee does not pass all GED subtests, up to two (2) re-tests per subject area.

(4) through (8) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 440.491(6), 440.591 FS. Law Implemented 440.491 FS. History–New 7-1-96, Amended 12-2-98, 6-26-01, Formerly 38F-55.015, Amended 5-7-09, Formerly 6A-22.012, Amended 3-31-14.____.

69L-22.013 Trial Period of Reemployment.

(1) <u>The initiation or termination of a trial period of</u> reemployment constitutes an action or change in employment status for purposes of rule 69L-56.404, F.A.C.

(2) The trial period of reemployment shall:

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) Automatically terminate:

1. When the injured employee is unable to perform the duties as a result of the permanently disabling condition, or

2. One year from the date of <u>initiation of the trial period of</u> <u>reemployment</u> hire if the injured employee is able to work 50 percent (50%) of his <u>or her</u> normal pre-injury working hours with an earning capacity of at least 80% of his <u>or her</u> previous <u>average weekly</u> wage.

(2) Following termination of the trial period of reemployment the carrier shall file a notice of action/change form DWC 4 with the Division to report whether the return to work was successful. Form DWC 4 is incorporated by reference in Rule 69L 3.025, F.A.C.

Rulemaking Authority 440.15(1), (3), 440.491(5), (6), (8), 440.591 FS. Law Implemented 440.15, 440.491 FS. History–New 7-1-96, Amended 6-26-01, Formerly 38F-55.004<u>, Amended</u>______.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Lisel Laslie, Chief, Bureau of Employee Assistance

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Jimmy Patronis, Chief Financial Officer DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 23, 2023

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: August 3, 2022

Section III

Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

Division of Marketing and Development

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RULE NOS.:	RULE TITLES:	
5H-17.002	Definitions	
5H-17.003	Adoption of the Florida Agricultural	
	Promotional Campaign Identifiers	
5H-17.005	Participant Registration; Application Forms;	
	Types of Membership; Renewal	
	NOTICE OF CORRECTION	
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Notice is hereby given that the following correction has been made to the proposed rule in Vol. 49 No. 68, April 7, 2023 issue of the Florida Administrative Register.

The NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE should have included the following:

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 used a checklist to conduct an economic analysis and determine if there is an adverse impact or regulatory costs associated with this rule that exceeds the criteria in section 120.541(2)(a), F.S. Based upon this analysis, the Department has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification.

Section IV Emergency Rules

NONE

Section V Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61C-4.010 Sanitation and Safety Requirements

The Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants hereby gives notice:

On May 12, 2023 the Division of Hotels and Restaurants received a Petition for an Emergency Variance for subsection 61C-4.010(7) Florida Administrative Code and subsection 61C-4.010(6), Florida Administrative Code from Anything & Wings located in Daytona Beach. The above referenced F.A.C. addresses the requirement that at least one accessible bathroom be provided for use by customers and employees. They are requesting to share the bathrooms located within a nearby establishment under a different ownership for use by customers and employees.

The Petition for this variance was published in Vol. 49/94 on May 15, 2023. The Order for this Petition was signed and approved on May 23, 2023. After a complete review of the variance request, the Division finds that the application of this Rule will create a financial hardship to the food service establishment. Furthermore, the Division finds that the Petitioner meets the burden of demonstrating that the underlying statute has been achieved by the Petitioner ensuring the bathrooms located within Marleys Corner Vape and Smoke (552 N Oleander Ave Daytona Beach, FL 32118), are maintained in a clean and sanitary manner and are provided with cold running water under pressure, soap, approved hand drying devices, and are available during all hours of operation. The Petitioner shall also ensure that directional signage is installed within or outside the establishment clearly stating the location of the bathrooms. If the ownership of Anything & Wings (Antonio Lazenberry, Belarria Lazenberry, Clyde Williams) and/or Marleys Corner Vape and Smoke (Marleys Corner Vape and Smoke) changes, an updated signed agreement for use of the bathroom facilities will be required immediately.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Daisy.Lee@myfloridalicense.com, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1011

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B20-2.003 Provisional Licensure; Requirements

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 22, 2023, the Board of Speech Language Pathology, and Audiology, received a petition for variance and waiver filed by Alicia Szilagyl. Petitioner seeks a variance or waiver of subsection 64B20-2.003(5), F.A.C., which requires a provisional license shall be valid for a period of 21 months from the date of issuance or until a license to practice Speech-Language Pathology or Audiology pursuant to Section 468.1185, F.S., is issued, whichever occurs first and Rule 64B20-5.005, F.A.C., which requires renewal of a provisional license. Comments on this petition should be filed with the Board of Speech Language Pathology, and Audiology, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C06, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3257, within 14 days of publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Danielle Terrell, Executive Director, Board of Speech Language Pathology, and Audiology, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C06, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3257, Danielle.Terrell@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES Family Safety and Preservation Program RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

65C-45.005 Level I Waivable Requirements

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 05, 2022, the Department of Children and Families, received a petition for variance from paragraph 65C-45.005(5)(1), Florida Administrative Code, from the Children's Network of Southwest Florida. Paragraph 65C-45.005(5)(1) states that children over 36 months of age shall not share a bedroom with a child of the opposite gender unless efforts are being made to maintain a sibling group. In instances where efforts are being made to maintain a sibling group, the foster family, licensing

agent, and case manager shall work together in determining arrangements for the safety and best interests of the children involved. Rationale for any decision made for children over the age of 36 months to share a bedroom shall be documented in the Florida Safe Families Network (FSFN).

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk, Department of Children and Families, 2415 North Monroe Street, Suite 400, Tallahassee, FL 32303 or Agency.clerk@myflfamilies.com.

Section VI Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Division of Historical Resources

The Division of Historical Resources announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, May 31, 2023, 1:30 p.m. to conclusion

PLACE: VIA WEBINAR:

Registration

URL:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4113508725834155 349

Webinar ID: 558-813-171

IN PERSON: R.A. Gray Building, Room 307, 500 South Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A meeting of the Florida Historical Marker Council to discuss and review submitted historical marker applications.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jeremy Heiker at flheritage@dos.myflorida.com or (850)245-6333.

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: Jeremy Heiker at flheritage@dos.myflorida.com or (850)245-6333. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Jeremy Heiker at flheritage@dos.myflorida.com or (850)245-6333.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Property Tax Oversight Program

The DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 7, 2023, 2:00 p.m., EDT

PLACE: 2450 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Building 2, Room 1220, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

The meeting will be conducted using communications media technology, specifically a telephone conference call. Persons interested in attending by phone may do so by calling 1(888)585-9008 and entering the attendee access code 472-220-405. The public point of access to the meeting is 2450 Shumard Oak Blvd., Building 2, Room 1220, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Department will present applications for the Certified Florida Appraiser, Certified Florida Evaluator and Certified Florida Appraiser Admissions and Certifications Committee meeting agenda and materials on the Department's website at https://floridarevenue.com/opengovt/Pages/meetings.aspx before attending the meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Kelly McLane, Property Tax Oversight program, Department of Revenue, P.O. Box 3294, Tallahassee, FL 32315-3294, (850)941-6024, kelly.mclane@floridarevenue.com. Parties may also submit written materials they intend to offer during the meeting to Kelly McLane.

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: Kelly McLane at (850)941-6024 or kelly.mclane@floridarevenue.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).

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DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Property Tax Oversight Program

The DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 7, 2023, 3:00 p.m., EDT

PLACE: 2450 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Building 2, Room 1220, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

The meeting will be conducted using communications media technology, specifically a telephone conference call. Persons interested in attending by phone may do so by calling 1(888)585-9008 and entering the attendee access code 472-220-405. The public point of access to the meeting is 2450 Shumard Oak Blvd., Building 2, Room 1220, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Department will present applications for the Certified Florida Collector and Certified Florida Collector Assistant designations. Please refer to the Certified Florida Collector Admissions and Certifications Committee meeting agenda and materials the Department's website on at https://floridarevenue.com/opengovt/Pages/meetings.aspx before attending the meeting.

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STATE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Florida Prepaid College Board

The Florida Prepaid College Board announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, June 20, 2023, 1:00 p.m., (EST), or soon thereafter via webinar.

PLACE: Link to webinar is located on the agenda.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct a regular business meeting of the Florida ABLE, Inc. Board.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: https://www.myfloridaprepaid.com/about-us/board-reports/or by calling (850)488-8514.

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: fax a written request to the Florida Prepaid College Board at (850)488-3555. 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).

STATE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Florida Prepaid College Board

The Florida Prepaid College Board announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, June 20, 2023, 2:30 p.m., (EST), or soon thereafter via webinar.

PLACE: Link to webinar is located on the agenda.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct a regular business meeting of the Florida Prepaid College Foundation Board.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: https://www.myfloridaprepaid.com/about-us/board-reports/or by calling (850)488-8514.

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STATE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Florida Prepaid College Board

The Florida Prepaid College Board announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, June 21, 2023, 8:30 a.m., (EST), or soon thereafter. The Florida Prepaid College Board Audit and Risk Committee meeting, until completion, followed by the Florida Prepaid College Board Investment Committee meeting, until completion, followed by the Florida Prepaid College Board meeting.

PLACE: Kyra Solutions Inc., 3673 Coolidge Court, Tallahassee, FL 32311

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct regular business meetings of the Florida Prepaid College Board Audit and Risk Committee, the Florida Prepaid College Board Investment Committee, and the Florida Prepaid College Board.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: https://www.myfloridaprepaid.com/about-us/board-reports/or by calling (850)488-8514.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

The FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION announces its regularly scheduled Commission Conference, to which all interested persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, June 13, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Florida.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To consider those matters ready for decision.

LEGAL AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION: Chapters 120, 350, 364, 366, and 367, F.S. Persons who may be affected by Commission action on certain items on the Conference agenda may be allowed to address the Commission, either informally or by oral argument, when those items are taken up for discussion, pursuant to Rules 25-22.0021 and 25-22.0022, F.A.C. The Commission Conference Notice, Agenda, related documents, and FPSC contact information are available at www.floridapsc.com.

ADA: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate at this proceeding should contact the Office of Commission Clerk no later than five days prior to the conference at 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850 or (850)413-6770 (Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8770 Voice or 1(800)955-8771 TDD). Assistive Listening Devices are available upon request from the Office of Commission Clerk, Gerald L. Gunter Building, Room 152.

EMERGENCY CANCELLATION OF CONFERENCE: If a named storm or other disaster requires cancellation of the Conference, Commission staff will attempt to give timely notice. Notice of cancellation will be provided on the Commission's website (www.floridapsc.com) under the Hot Topics link on the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by calling the Office of Commission Clerk at (850)413-6770.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

The FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, June 13, 2023, immediately following the Commission Conference which commences at 9:30 a.m. in Joseph P. Cresse Hearing Room 148.

PLACE: Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Florida.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To discuss and make decisions on matters affecting Commission operations. Internal Affairs Agendas and FPSC contact information is available at www.floridapsc.com.

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A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: www.floridapsc.com.

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: **CANCELLED** Tuesday, May 30, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Virtual

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: ***The following monthly meeting has been cancelled for the month of May 2023***

The Florida-Alabama Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) and Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) committee will hold a meeting on Tuesday, May 30, 2023, 10:00 a.m. This meeting is open to the public and will be held virtually.

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.

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone. https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/499410829 You can also dial in using your phone.

(For supported devices, tap a one-touch number below to join instantly.)

United States: (408)650-3123 - One-touch: tel:+14086503123,,499410829#, Access Code: 499-410-829 New to GoToMeeting? Get the app now and be ready when your first meeting starts: https://global.gotomeeting.com/install/499410829.

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.

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.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jill Nobles at jill.nobles@ecrc.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: Public Involvement toll-free at 1(800)226-8914 or TTY 711, or by emailing publicinvolvement@ecrc.org. Para informacion en espanol, puede llamar a Ada Clark al (850)332-7976, ext. 278 o TTY 711. Si necesita acomodaciones especiales, por favor llame 48 horas de antemanos. 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 PLANNING COUNCILS

Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

The Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 16, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Indian River State College Chastain Campus, Wolf High-Technology Center, 2400 SE Salerno Road, Stuart, Florida 34997. The meeting will also be offered virtually: Please join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone. https://meet.goto.com/268592461

You can also dial in using your phone: 1(646)749-3122 / Access Code: 268-592-461

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council will hold its monthly meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Liz Gulick at (772)221-4060 or lgulick@tcrpc.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 2 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Liz Gulick at (772)221-4060 or lgulick@tcrpc.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Liz Gulick at (772)221-4060 or lgulick@tcrpc.org.

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Division of Purchasing

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

DATE AND TIME: May 31, 2023, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., ET PLACE: GoToWebinar Link: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1620601405494102 871

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: In accordance with section 120.525, Florida Statutes, a nonmandatory pre-bid conference is hereby noticed for the following Invitation to Bid Number: 23-53100000-ITB Clothing. The Department reserves the right to issue addenda and changes to the timeline and specifically to the meeting notice listed above. The Department will post notice of any changes or additional meetings within the Vendor Information Portal (VIP) in accordance with section 287.042(3), Florida Statutes, and will not re-advertise notice in the Florida Administrative Register (FAR). Access the VIP at: https://vendor.myfloridamarketplace.com.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: To obtain a copy of the agenda you may contact, Nicole Walker at (850)487-4196 or Nicole.Walker@dms.fl.gov.

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For more information, you may contact: For additional information you may contact the Procurement Officer, Nicole Walker at (850)487-4196 or Nicole.Walker@dms.fl.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Construction Industry Licensing Board

The Construction Industry Licensing Board announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Monday, July 10, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Telephone conference number: 1(888)585-9008, participant code: 564 952 647

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Continuing Education and Exams Committee of the Board.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jordan Jones, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1039, (850)717-1983.

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: Jordan Jones, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1039, (850)717-1983. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Construction Industry Licensing Board

The Construction Industry Licensing Board announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 12:00 Noon; Thursday, July 13, 2023, 8:30 a.m.; Friday, July 14, 2023, 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: The Ritz Carlton Sarasota, 1111 Ritz Carlton Drive, Sarasota, FL 34236, (941)309-2050

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General Business, disciplinary and committee meetings of the Board.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jordan Jones, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1039, (850)717-1983.

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Florida Building Commission

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61G20-1.001 Florida Building Code Adopted

The Florida Building Commission's Special Occupancy Technical Advisory Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 12, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: The meeting will be conducted using communications media technology, specifically teleconference and webinar: Join the meeting at https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/533378925. Join the conference call: United States (toll-free): 1(877)309-2073, Meeting ID/Access Code: 533-378-925; public point of access 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To provide comments for the Commission's rule development workshop for Rule 61G20-1.001, F.A.C., on June 20, 2023, regarding comments received requesting withdrawal of Modification # SP10413 from the proposed 8th Edition (2023) update to the Florida Building Code. Other committee business on the agenda. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Marlita Peters, as set forth below or on the Commission website.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Ms. Barbara Bryant, Building Codes and Standards Office, Division of Professions, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, (850)487-1824, fax: (850)414-8436. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Marlita Peters, Special Occupancy Technical Advisory Committee, Building Codes and Standards Office, Division of Professions, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, (850)487-1824, fax: (850)414-8436; or access information on the Commission's website, https://floridabuilding.org/c/default.aspx.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Florida Real Estate Commission

The Florida Real Estate Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, June 13, 2023, 8:30 a.m., EST or soonest thereafter

PLACE: Zora Neale Hurston Building, North Tower, Suite N901, 400 W. Robinson Street, Orlando, FL 32801, LiveStream at

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2399430560657090 573 or GoToWebinar App, ID 667-378-115.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Official business of Commission – among topics include, but not limited to, are proposed legislation affecting Chapter 475, Part I, F.S., Chapter 61J2, F.A.C., budget discussions, escrow disbursement requests, recovery fund claims, education issues, petitions for declaratory statement, petitions for rule variance/waiver, disciplinary actions and real estate applications. All or part of this meeting may be conducted as a teleconference in order to permit maximum participation of the Commission members or its counsel.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: DREFREC@myfloridalicense.com.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Acupuncture

The Board of Acupuncture announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: September 22, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Aloft-Element Tampa Midtown, 3650 Midtown Dr. Tampa, FL 33607

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The general business of the Board.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Board Staff at (850)245-4161 or MQA.Acupuncture@flhealth.gov or 4052 Bald Cypress Way, #C-06, Tallahassee, FL 32399. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Acupuncture

The Board of Acupuncture announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: December 8, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Embassy Suites by Hilton Lake Buena Vista South, 4955 Kyngs Heath Rd., Kissimmee, FL 34746

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The general business of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Osteopathic Medicine

The Board of Osteopathic Medicine announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: August 11, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Holiday Inn, Disney Springs, 1805 Hotel Plaza Boulevard, Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The general business of the Board.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: https://floridasosteopathicmedicine.gov/meeting-information/. Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Board Staff. at (850)245-4161 or MQA.Osteopath@flhealth.gov or 4052 Bald Cypress Way, #C-06, Tallahassee, FL 32399. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology

The Board of Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited. DATE AND TIME: July 21, 2023. 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Embassy Suites Boca Raton, 661 NW 53rd St, Boca Raton, FL 33487

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

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

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Board Staff at (850)245-4161 or mqa.speechlanguage@flhealth.gov@flhealth.gov or 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C-06, Tallahassee, FL 32399. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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mqa.speechlanguage@flhealth.gov@flhealth.gov or 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C-06, Tallahassee, FL 32399.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology

The Board of Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 13, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Hilton Garden Inn Tampa/Riverview/Brandon, 4328 Garden Vista Dr. Riverview, FL 33578

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The general business of the Board.

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

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FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

The FHFC III, Inc. announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 9, 2023, 11:00 a.m., or upon adjournment of the FHFC II, Inc. Board of Directors meeting, until adjourned.

PLACE: Hyatt Regency Coral Gables, 50 Alhambra Plaza, Coral Gables, FL 33134

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Conduct business necessary for the organization of FHFC III, INC.

2. Consider adopting resolutions delegating operational authority to the Executive Director.

3. Consideration of all necessary actions with regard to any property owned or held by FHFC III, Inc.

4. Consideration of approval of underwriters for inclusion on approved master list and teams.

5. Consideration of all necessary actions for initiating new rules or rule amendments on an emergency or non-emergency basis.

6. Consideration of status, workouts, or modifications for existing projects.

7. Consideration of matters relating to the statutory purpose of FHFC III, Inc., to provide safe and sanitary housing that is affordable for the residents of Florida.

8. Such other matters as may be included on the Agenda for the June 9, 2023, Board Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Approximately two days prior to the meeting by contacting Sheila Freaney, Board Liaison, Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301-1329, phone number (850)488-4197, or by visiting the Corporation's website at www.floridahousing.org. If any person decides to appeal any decision made by FHFC III, Inc., with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings be made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. 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: Sheila Freaney at the Florida Housing Finance Corporation at (850)488-4197. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

The FHFC II, Inc. announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 9, 2023, 11:00 a.m., or upon adjournment of the Florida Housing Finance Corporation Board of Directors meeting, until adjourned.

PLACE: Hyatt Regency Coral Gables, 50 Alhambra Plaza, Coral Gables, FL 33134

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Conduct business necessary for the organization of FHFC II, INC.

2. Consider adopting resolutions delegating operational authority to the Executive Director.

3. Consideration of all necessary actions with regard to any property owned or held by FHFC II, Inc.

4. Consideration of approval of underwriters for inclusion on approved master list and teams.

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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: June 8, 2023, 4:00 p.m. until adjourned

PLACE: Hyatt Regency Coral Gables, 50 Alhambra Plaza, Coral Gables, FL 33134

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. The Committee will meet regarding the general business of the Committee.

2. Such other matters as may be included on the Agenda for the June 8, 2023, Audit Committee Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Approximately two days prior to the meeting by contacting Sheila Freaney, Board Liaison, Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301-1329, phone number (850)488-4197, or by visiting the Corporation's website at www.floridahousing.org.

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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: June 9, 2023, 8:30 a.m. until adjourned

PLACE: Hyatt Regency Coral Gables, 50 Alhambra Plaza, Coral Gables FL 33134

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Consider financing and acknowledgement resolutions for various multifamily developments, under any multifamily program, including the ranking of developments.

2. Consider appointment of professionals including but not limited to trustee and/or originator/servicer for upcoming and/or past multifamily programs and single-family programs.

3. Consider approval of all bond documents for and terms of all upcoming single-family and multifamily bond sales, including those secured by third-party guarantors, letters-of-credit, insurance or other mechanisms.

4. Consider adopting resolutions authorizing negotiated or competitive sale of bonds on various single-family and multifamily issues.

5. Consider directing Staff to submit summaries of various TEFRA/Public Hearings to the Governor.

6. Consideration of policy issues concerning ongoing and upcoming single-family bond issues including initiation of request for proposals on an emergency basis, and structuring new issues.

7. Consideration of all necessary actions with regard to the Multifamily Bond Program.

8. Consideration of approval of underwriters for inclusion on approved master list and teams.

9. Consideration of all necessary actions with regard to the HOME Rental Program.

10. Consideration of all necessary actions with regard to the HC (Housing Credits) Program.

11. Consideration of all necessary actions with regard to the SAIL (State Apartment Incentive Loan) Program.

12. Consideration of all necessary actions with regard to the SHIP (State Housing Initiatives Partnership) Program.

13. Consideration of all necessary actions with regard to the PLP (Predevelopment Loan) Program.

14. Consideration of all necessary actions with regard to the Homeownership Programs.

15. Consideration of all necessary actions for initiating new rules or rule amendments on an emergency or non-emergency basis.

16. Consideration of Appeals from Requests for Applications funding selection with entry of final orders.

17. Consideration of workouts or modifications for existing projects funded by the Corporation.

18. Consideration of matters relating to the stated purpose of the Corporation to provide safe and sanitary housing that is affordable for the residents of Florida.

19. Consideration of funding additional reserves for the Guarantee Fund.

20. Consideration of audit issues.

21. Evaluation of professional and consultant performance.

22. Such other matters as may be included on the Agenda for the June 9, 2023, Board Meeting.

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Northwest Florida Area Agency on Aging

The Northwest Florida Area Agency on Aging announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: May 24, 2023, 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: Zoom

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Discussion of grievance hearing request

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Anna Dyess, (850)494-7101.

For more information, you may contact: Anna Dyess, (850)494-7101.

Northwest Florida Area Agency on Aging

The Northwest Florida Area Agency on Aging announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: May 31, 2023, 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: Zoom

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Personnel Committee Grievance Hearing

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Anna Dyess, (850)494-7101.

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: 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: Anna Dyess, (850)494-7101.

Citizens Property Insurance Corporation

The Citizens Property Insurance Claims Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, June 8, 2023, 1:00 p.m., Eastern PLACE: Please visit our website to join via Zoom Webinar: https://www.citizensfla.com/public-meetings or attend

via phone: (786)635-1003; Meeting ID: 985 9321 6531#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Business before the Claims Committee

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Barbara Walker, (850)513-3744, 2101 Maryland Circle,

Tallahassee, FL 32303.

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Tallahassee, FL 32303. 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: Barbara Walker, (850)513-3744, 2101 Maryland Circle,

Tallahassee, FL 32303.

FLORIDA VIRTUAL SCHOOL

The Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 6, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: The FLVS Board of Trustees Quarterly Meeting will be livestreamed, and members of the public may observe/access the meeting online via the Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees YouTube page. The virtual meeting will be streamed directly to this YouTube channel. You can also access the meeting by using the following link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSp-oyR-9hroocmIumUXCg

Should you wish to comment during the public comment or hearing portion of the meeting, please dial (866)580-3963.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This is a regularly scheduled meeting of the Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees. The Board will consider all matters properly presented to it, including (without exception) all such matters pertaining to Board Policy and FLVS operations, financing, staffing, governance, and other topics pertinent to the Florida Virtual School. The Board will also take formal and final agency action on all matters properly and timely presented to the Board. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Mr. Bruce Moore, Board Clerk, at 5422 Carrier Drive, Suite 201, Orlando, FL 32819; or at (407)735-1191; or by email to bmoore@flvs.net. It may also be obtained via https://go.boarddocs.com/fla/flvs/Board.nsf/vpublic?open

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: Mr. Bruce Moore, Board Clerk, at 5422 Carrier Drive, Suite 201, Orlando, FL 32819; or at (407)735-1191; or by email to bmoore@flvs.net. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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RK&K

The Florida Department of Transportation, District Seven announces a hearing to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIMES: Thursday, June 1, 2023, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.; Formal Portion, 6:30 p.m.

PLACE: Port Tampa Bay, Terminal 6 – 1331 McKay St, Tampa, FL 33602

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Seven is conducting a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) study Design Change Reevaluation along US 41 (SR 45) in Hillsborough County to determine roadway improvements along the corridor. The study limits are from South of Causeway Boulevard (SR 676) to North of Causeway Boulevard, a distance of approximately 1.3 miles. This public hearing is being offered in-person, with an option to attend virtually, to give interested parties an opportunity to express their views concerning the location, conceptual design, and social, economic, and environmental effects of the proposed improvements. The public hearing is being held on Thursday, June 1, 2023, at the Port Tampa Bay, Terminal 6, 1331 McKay St, Tampa, FL 33602. The hearing will begin as an open house at 5:30 p.m. with a formal presentation at 6:30 p.m., followed by a public comment period. A continuous video presentation will be shown to provide general information about the existing conditions, recommended improvements, and the PD&E process.

This public hearing is being held both in-person and online (virtually) via GoToWebinar to present information to and receive public input from interested parties regarding the proposed improvements. Citizens who choose to attend the virtual hearing session must do so through a computer, tablet, or smartphone via GoToWebinar. A call-in number will not be provided. Virtual attendees must register online at the project website: http://active.fdotd7studies.com/us41/csx-to-sr676/.

Beginning at 5:30 p.m., the public hearing begins with an informal open house, where the public can view the preferred alternative plans on aerial photographs, ask questions, and provide comments to FDOT representatives. The formal public hearing begins at 6:30 p.m. followed by a public comment period for those who wish to make a formal public comment. Following the formal portion, the informal open house will resume until 7:30 p.m. Persons wishing to submit statements, in place of or in addition to oral statements, may do so at the hearing or by sending them to Craig Fox, P.E., FDOT Project Manager, FDOT District Seven, 11201 N. McKinley Drive, MS 7-500, Tampa, FL 33612. Comments may also be submitted to the "Send us your comments" page on the project website at http://active.fdotd7studies.com/us41/csx-to-sr676/. While comments are accepted any time, only exhibits or statements postmarked on or before June 15, 2023, will become part of the official public record.

Draft project documents will be available for review from May 10, 2023, to June 15, 2023 at:

• 78th Street Community Library: 7625 Palm River Road, Tampa, Florida 33619 – Library hours are from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

• FDOT District Seven Headquarters, 11201 McKinley Drive, Tampa, FL 33612. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The design concepts, display boards, and video presentation from the in-person session will be available for review online starting on May 25, 2023, at http://active.fdotd7studies.com/us41/csx-to-sr676/.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. §327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated May 26, 2022 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Roger Roscoe, District Seven Title VI and ADA Coordinator at (813)975-6411 or Roger.Roscoe@dot.state.fl.us at least seven days prior to the hearing.

Please contact FDOT project manager, Craig Fox, P.E., by phone at (813)975-6082 or by email at Craig.Fox@dot.state.fl.us with any project questions.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Contact Craig Fox, P.E., by phone at (813)975-6082 or by email at Craig.Fox@dot.state.fl.us with any project questions.

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Section VII Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Florida Real Estate Commission

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Florida Real Estate Commission has received the petition for declaratory statement from Thomas Jung, on May 15, 2023. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of Section 475.01, 475.17, and 475.41, Florida Statutes, as it applies to the petitioner.

Petitioner seeks the determination from the Commission regarding whether a Florida broker's license for Florida residents is required for those who only provide business brokerage service to businesses incorporated outside of the state of Florida. 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: Giuvanna Corona, Executive Director, Florida Real Estate Commission, 400 W. Robinson Street, #N801, Orlando, FL 32801, Giuvanna.Corona@myfloridalicense.com

Section VIII Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding the Validity of Rules

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

NONE

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

NONE

Section IX Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

NONE

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

NONE

Section XI Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind

Request for Qualifications for RFQ-23-082 Professional Architectural-Engineering Services for Continuing Contracts PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FOR RFQ-23-082 PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL-ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR CONTINUING CONTRACTS

Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind (FSDB) requests proposals for the subject project and has issued a Competitive Solicitation to obtain competitive responses from qualified firms consistent with the requirements outlined in the Solicitation Document.

Selection will be made in accordance with the published Solicitation Document. Firm(s) must be properly licensed in the State of Florida at the time of submittal. Be sure to read the entire solicitation document before contacting the Agency with questions, which must be submitted via e-mail. Only procedural questions will be answered on receipt – all other questions will only be answered according to the published timeline.

RESPONSE DUE DATE: July 17, 2023, no later than 3:15 p.m. INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTAL: Firms interested in being considered for this project should access the Solicitation Document from: http://www.fsdbk12.org/purchasing. Click "View Current FSDB Competitive Solicitations" and navigate to the project folder. RESPONDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE for checking the FSDB website for Amendments and addendum. Failure to comply with any changes published to the FSDB website may be grounds for rejecting a proposal.

Primary Contact: Kim Whitwam, Director of Purchasing – whitwamk@fsdbk12.org; or Leigh Gillette, Purchasing Analyst - gilletter@fsdbk12.org.

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., Wednesday, May 17, 2023 and 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 23, 2023.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective
		Date
12AER22-5	5/17/2023	5/9/2023
(renewal)		
12AER22-6	5/17/2023	5/9/2023
(renewal)		
12AER22-7	5/17/2023	5/9/2023
(renewal)		
25-17.0021	5/17/2023	6/6/2023
53ER23-25	5/18/2023	5/18/2023
53ER23-26	5/18/2023	5/18/2023
53ER23-27	5/18/2023	5/18/2023
53ER23-28	5/18/2023	5/18/2023
61E14-2.001	5/18/2023	6/7/2023
64B-2.001	5/22/2023	6/11/2023
64B6-6.001	5/17/2023	6/6/2023
64B6-6.004	5/19/2023	6/8/2023
64B20-8.008	5/19/2023	6/8/2023
64B20-8.009	5/19/2023	6/8/2023
64E-9.004	5/22/2023	6/11/2023

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
40C-4.091	3/31/2023	**/**/****
40C-41.043	3/31/2023	**/**/****
60FF1-5.009	7/21/2016	**/**/****
62-6.001	5/10/2022	**/**/****
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	**/**/***
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62-330.350	4/28/2023	**/**/***
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62-600.405	11/16/2021	**/**/***
62-600.705	11/16/2021	**/**/***
62-600.720	11/16/2021	**/**/***
64B8-10.003	12/9/2015	**/**/***
65C-9.004	3/31/2022	**/**/***
69L-7.020	10/22/2021	**/**/***
69L-7.730	4/6/2023	**/**/***
69L-7.740	4/6/2023	**/**/***

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Division of Arts and Culture

Arts & Culture Grant Program Applications

Applications for the FY2024-2025 General Program Support, Specific Cultural Projects, Cultural Facilities, and Cultural Endowment State Matching Share grant programs must be submitted online using the Department of State Grants System. Applications open on May 22, 2023. The deadline for application submission is 5:00 p.m., Eastern on June 21, 2023. All project activities must be in strict accordance with all applicable federal and state laws. Grant activities that do not demonstrate compliance with federal or state laws will not be funded.

Guidelines for A&C grant programs are available on the Florida Department of State's Division of Arts & Culture website. You may also request guidelines via email at DACgrants@dos.myflorida.com, by phone at (850) 245-6470, or by mail at: Division of Arts & Culture, R.A. Gray Building, 500 South Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399

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WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS PROPOSAL:CON #10736 Northwest Florida Water Management District DATE/TIME: Monday, July 10, 2023, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Notice of Event p.m. The Northwest Florida Water Management District announces PLACE: WellFlorida Council, Inc., 1785 NW 80th a public event to which all persons are invited. Boulevard, Gainesville, Florida 32606 DATE AND TIMES: May 24, 2023, 10:00 am CT/11:00 am PROPOSAL:CON #'s 10737 and 10738 EST District: 3-7 PLACE: 14000 Enfinger Road, Youngstown, Florida DATE/TIME: Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 10:00 a.m. -GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: 12:00 p.m. Ceremony celebrating Northwest Florida Water Management WellFlorida Council, Inc., 1785 NW 80th PLACE: Districts Wolf Pond South improvements. Boulevard, Gainesville, Florida 32606 AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION Public hearing requests must be in writing and be received at Certificate of Need the Agency for Health Care Administration, CON Office, 2727 NOTICE OF BATCHED APPLICATION RECEIPT AND Mahan Drive, Mail Stop 28, Tallahassee, Florida, 32308, NOTICE OF TENTATIVE PUBLIC HEARINGS attention James B. McLemore, by 5:00 p.m., June 14, 2023. In The Agency for Health Care Administration has received and lieu of requesting and attending a public hearing, written accepted the following Certificate of Need applications for comments submitted to the agency relative to the merits of these review in the batched Nursing Home and ICF/DD review cycle applications will become part of the official project application with an application due date of May 17, 2023 file. Pursuant to 59C-1.010(3), F.A.C., written comments must County: Marion District: 3-4 be received by June 21, 2023. CON #10736Application Receipt Date: 5/17/2023 Applicant/Facility/Project: Hawthorne Ocala Operations LLC Section XIII d/b/a Hawthorne Center for Rehabilitation and Healing of Index to Rules Filed During Preceding Ocala - Add 22 community nursing home beds County: Lake District: 3-7 CON #10737 Application Receipt Date: 5/17/2023 Applicant/Facility/Project: Okahumpa SNF LLC - Establish a NOTE: The above section will be published on Tuesday new community nursing home of up to 150 beds beginning October 2, 2012, unless Monday is a holiday, then it County: Sumter District: 3-7 will be published on Wednesday of that week. CON #10738Application Receipt Date: 5/17/2023 Applicant/Facility/Project: Sumterlake Operations LLC -

Establish a new community nursing home of up to 116 beds Also, IF REQUESTED, tentative public hearings have been

scheduled as follows: