# Section I Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

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### Section II Proposed Rules

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

#### **Division of Consumer Services**

5J-18.003

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

5J-18.0012 Bureau of Fair Rides Inspection Forms
5J-18.002 Annual Permit or Temporary Amusement
Ride Permit, Request for Re-Inspection,

USAID Number Qualified Inspectors

5J-18.004 Nondestructive Testing of Amusement

Rides

5J-18.0142 Reporting of Accidents and Mechanical,

Structural or Electrical Defects

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this rulemaking is to modify an incorporated form and update material references in accordance with those changes. The amendments will also clarify language for permanent amusement ride permitting and align accident reporting and reinspection language with other reporting criteria outlined in statute.

SUMMARY: The Fair Rides Affidavit of Compliance and Non-destructive Testing (NDT) form is being modified to address public comments following statutory changes that took effect on July 1, 2023. Changes will also clarify the language regarding permitting of permanent amusement rides and further define requirements for amusement rides whereby an accident occurs due to a structural, mechanical or electrical defect.

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 proposed changes will update and adopt an incorporated form, update material references and clarify and align language with statute.

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: 616.165, 616.242(3)(p), (q), (4), (4)(b), (5), (6), (7), (8), (11)(a)1., (12), (15), (16), (17) FS. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 616.242, (3)(p) and (q), (4), (4)(b), (5), (6), (7), (8), (11)(a)1., (12), (15), (16), (17) 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: Michelle Faulk, Chief, Bureau of Fair Rides Inspection, 2005 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, FL 32399 (850)410-3820. Michelle.Faulk@FDACS.gov.

#### THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

#### 5J-18.0012 Bureau of Fair Rides Inspection Forms.

The following forms are hereby incorporated by reference. Copies of these publications may be obtained from the Division of Consumer Services, Bureau of Fair Rides Inspection at 2005 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6500 or online as indicated below.

Form Numb er	Revise d	Title	
(1) through (7) No change.			
		Fair Rides Affidavit of Compliance and	
(8)	09/2	Nondestructive Testing (NDT)	
FDAC	<u>5</u>	http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp	
S	05/2	?No=Ref-18624	
03433	4	http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp	
		<del>?No=Ref 16670</del>	
(9) through (11) No change.			

Rulemaking Authority 616.165, 616.242(4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (11)(a)1., (12), (15), (16), (17) FS. Law Implemented 616.242(4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (11)(a)1., (12), (15), (16), (17) FS. History—New 2-14-99, Amended 5-30-05, 10-2-07, 5-30-10, Formerly 5F-8.0012, Amended 2-26-14, 7-27-17, 10-14-18, 10-29-19, 11-18-20, 6-27-24.

# 5J-18.002 Annual Permit or Temporary Amusement Ride Permit, Request for Re-Inspection, USAID Number.

(1) The owner or manager of a permanent amusement ride shall make application to the department via the online registration portal at https://FairRides.FDACS.gov, by email or by fax trasmission to the department for an annual permit and inspection, or re-inspection for each amusement ride in accordance with Section 616.242(5), F.S., on department form FDACS 03439, Fair Rides Request for Annual Permit

Inspection or Re-Inspection, 09/20, as incorporated by reference in Rule 5J-18.0012, F.A.C.

- (2) The owner or manager of a temporary amusement ride shall make application to the department via the online registration portal at https://FairRides.FDACS.gov, by email or by fax transmission to the department for the temporary amusement ride permit and inspection, or re-inspection for each amusement ride in accordance with Section 616.242(6), F.S., on department form FDACS 03438, Fair Rides Request for Temporary Amusement Ride Permit Inspection or Re-Inspection, 09/20 as incorporated by reference in Rule 5J-18.0012, F.A.C.
  - (3) No change.
- (4) The current Fair Rides Affidavit of Compliance and Nondestructive Testing required by Section 616.242(7)(a), F.S., shall be on file or provided at time of inspection on department form FDACS 03433, Fair Rides Affidavit of Compliance and Nondestructive Testing (NDT), Rev. 09/25 05/24, as incorporated by reference in Rule 5J-18.0012, F.A.C., unless the amusement ride is exempt pursuant to Section 616.242(7)(e), F.S.
  - (5) No change.
- (6) If an application for a permanent amusement ride permit is received by the department less than 15 days before the existing permit expires or the amusement ride's first date of first intended use at a new location, the department shall assess a late request fee as provided by Rule 5J-18.012, F.A.C.
- (7) through (15) No change.

  Rulemaking Authority 616.165, 616.242(5), (8) FS. Law Implemented 616.242 FS. History—New 9-15-92, Amended 2-23-94, 2-14-99, 5-30-05, Formerly 5F-8.002, Amended 10-29-19, 11-18-20, 6-27-24,

#### 5J-18.003 Qualified Inspectors.

- (1) Each person seeking to perform amusement ride inspections as a Qualified Inspector (QI) for an insurance underwriter and execute the FDACS 03433, Fair Rides Affidavit of Compliance and Nondestructive Testing (NDT), Rev. 09/25 05/24, as incorporated by reference in Rule 5J-18.0012, F.A.C., shall provide the department the following documents and information:
  - (a) through (g) No change.
  - (2) through (5) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 616.165, 616.242(3)(p), (q), (5) FS. Law Implemented 616.242 FS. History—New 9-15-92, Amended 2-23-94, 2-14-99, 10-10-01, 5-30-05, 10-2-07, Formerly 5F-8.003, Amended 10-29-19, 11-18-20, 6-27-24.

#### 5J-18.004 Nondestructive Testing of Amusement Rides.

(1) In accordance with the requirements of Section 616.242(7), F.S., nondestructive testing of amusement rides shall be conducted on all inspection points identified, including all relevant bulletins and shall be reported to the department for

each amusement ride by the Qualified Inspector or PE on department form FDACS-03433, Fair Rides Affidavit of Compliance and Nondestructive Testing (NDT), Rev. 09/25 05/24, incorporated by reference in Rule 5J-18.0012, F.A.C.

(2) through (6) No change. Rulemaking Authority 616.165, 616.242(4), (7) FS. Law Implemented 616.242(4)(b), (7) FS. History—New 9-15-92, Amended 9-21-93, 2-23-94, 2-14-99, 5-30-05, Formerly 5F-8.004, Amended 2-22-18, 10-14-

18, 10-29-19, 11-18-20, 6-27-24, .

## 5J-18.0142 Reporting of Accidents and Mechanical, Structural or Electrical Defects.

- (1) Accidents shall be reported to the department in accordance with Section 616.242(15), F.S. Accidents shall be reported in writing on department form FDACS 03428, Fair Rides Written Accident Report, Rev. 07/19, incorporated by reference in Rule 5J-18.0012, F.A.C. Following an accident that must be reported to the department pursuant to Section 616.242(15), F.S., and this rule:
- (a) Amusement rides on which an accident occurs due to a mechanical, structural, or electrical defect shall remain closed, without modification, until the department has conducted an initial review of the incident, which may include an inspection of the amusement ride, and given approval to begin repairs.
- (b) Before the amusement ride may resume operation, the department must review the repairs and release the ride for operation.
  - (2) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 616.165, 616.242(4)(b) FS. Law Implemented 616.242(15) FS. History—New 2-14-99, Amended 5-30-05, Formerly 5F-8.0142, Amended 7-5-16, 10-29-19, 11-18-20, 5-22-24...

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Michelle Faulk, Chief of Fair Rides Inspection

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Commissioner of Agriculture Wilton Simpson

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: August 28, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: April 30, 2025

#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

#### State Board of Education

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6A-1.09441 Requirements for Programs and Courses that

are Funded Through the Florida Education Finance Program and for Which the Student May Earn Credit Toward High School

Graduation

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Update the "Course Code Directory and Instructional Personnel Assignments" to reflect changes made during the 2025 legislative session. The effect will be an

updated directory of courses for students to take to earn credit toward high school graduation.

SUMMARY: During the 2025 legislative session, HB 875 and HB 1105 made revisions regarding non-degreed teachers of fine and performing arts and changes relating to physical education credit. These changes will be reflected in the Course Code Directory.

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 proposed rule is not expected to have any adverse impact on economic growth, business competitiveness or any other factors listed in s. 120.541(2)(a), F.S., and will not require legislative ratification. No increase in regulatory costs is anticipated as a result of this rule. This is based upon the nature of the proposed rule.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), 1003.03(6), 1011.62(1)(t), 1003.4282(11), 1007.2616(8), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1003.03(6), 1003.4282(1)(b), 1007.2616(8), 1011.62(1), 1012.55(1)(c), (5), F.S.

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

DATE AND TIME: September 24, 2025, 9:00 a.m. CT PLACE: Northwest Florida State College, 1170 Martin Luther

King Jr Blvd, Building 8, Fort Walton Beach, Florida 32547 THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Shannon Mercer, Office of Articulation, Department of Education, (850)245-0407 or email shannon.mercer@fldoe.org

#### THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

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

For student membership in a program or course to generate funding through the Florida Education Finance Program and for

the student to receive elective or required credit toward high school graduation for such a program or course, the following conditions shall be met:

- (1) through (4) No change.
- (5) The "Course Code Directory and Instructional Personnel Assignments 2025-2026," (https://www.flrules.org/gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-

18621 18007) is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule, effective October May 2025. The Commissioner may publish the document in appropriate and useful formats such as printed copy, electronic database access or electronic disc. The directory may be obtained from the Office of Articulation, Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. The Commissioner of Education may approve additional courses and course descriptions for which funding could be generated through the Florida Education Finance Program. Such additional course listings will be made available as approved. To request a new course, complete Form CCD01, Course Code Directory Request Add New Course, to (http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-

17059) which is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule, effective November 2024. A hard copy may be obtained by contacting the Office of Articulation, Florida Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, or

https://www.fldoe.org/policy/articulation/ccd/.

Rulemaking Authority 1001.02(1), 1003.03(6), 1007.2616(8), 1011.62(1)(t) FS. Law Implemented 1003.03(6), 1003.4282(1)(b), 1007.2616, 1011.62(1), 1012.55(1)(c) FS. History—New 12-20-83, Formerly 6A-1.9441, Amended 2-6-86, 12-28-86, 4-4-88, 12-13-88, 12-11-89, 1-15-91, 2-20-92, 7-13-93, 10-18-94, 8-28-95, 4-18-96, 7-17-97, 8-12-98, 5-3-99, 5-3-01, 10-15-01, 7-30-02, 4-21-05, 11-21-05, 7-27-06, 1-18-07, 5-19-08, 1-5-09, 6-22-09, 5-3-10, 8-21-11, 9-5-12, 11-3-13, 4-2-14, 12-23-14, 6-23-15, 6-23-16, 6-20-17, 4-30-18, 4-22-19, 5-5-20, 4-20-21, 3-15-22, 5-23-23, 9-26-23, 4-30-24, 11-18-24, 5-13-25,

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Kathy Hebda

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Anastasios Kamoutsas

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: August 29, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: July 30, 2025

#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

#### **State Board of Education**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE: 6A-1.0998271 Schools of Hope

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: This rule sets forth requirements for designation as a School of Hope operator and for establishment of Schools of Hope pursuant to s. 1002.333, F.S.

SUMMARY: This proposed amendment will address changes to the program due to the passage of Senate Bill 2510 (2025), including criteria and procedures around the co-location of Schools of Hope and district schools in underused, vacant, or surplus district facilities.

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 been prepared by the Agency.

There is likely to be some cost to school districts in implementing the rule; however, most of the costs are a result of legislative changes and not the rule. Thus, most of the costs will be as a result of legislative changes authorizing Schools of Hope to co-locate with school district facilities that are underused, surplus or vacant. Some cost to districts as a result of the rule may result from action needed to provide contiguous space to allow access to potential Hope sites and proportioned space. Based on the SERC this rule will not require legislative ratification. The SERC is posted at https://web02.fldoe.org/Rules/

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1002.333(12), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1002.333, F.S.

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

DATE AND TIME: September 24, 2025, 9:00 a.m. CT PLACE: Northwest Florida State College, 1170 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Building 8, Fort Walton Beach, Florida 32547 THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Adam Emerson; Executive Director, Independent Education and Parental Choice, (850)245-0502 or adam.emerson@fldoe.org

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

6A-1.0998271 Schools of Hope.

- (1) Definitions: For the purpose of this rule, the following definitions apply.
  - (a) through (e) No change.
- (f) "Excess seats" means the difference between a facility's total student stations and the facility's total capital outlay full-time equivalent (COFTE) student enrollment according to the most recent student survey data. For purposes of determining whether a facility is an underused, vacant or surplus facility, Projected SOH Enrollment for a School of Hope that has submitted an approved SOH Notice of Intent for that facility shall not be deemed to be excess seats.
- (g) "Projected SOH Enrollment" means the number of students that a Hope Operator projects for enrollment at a School of Hope following the first five years of its operations in a particular facility.
- (h) "Underused, vacant or surplus facility" means an entire facility or portion thereof that is not fully used or is used irregularly or intermittently by the district for instructional or program use.
- (i) "Fully used" means a facility that does not have unused student stations.
- (j) "Vacant and Underused Facilities Report" means the report described in paragraph (5)(a).
- (k) "Sponsor" means the district, Florida College System institution or state university that is the sponsor or authorizer of a School of Hope.
- (1) "Florida Opportunity Zone" means a population census tract that has been designated by the United States Department of the Treasury as a Qualified Opportunity Zone pursuant to s. 1400Z-1(b)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code.
  - (2) No change.
- (3) Establishing a School of Hope. An entity that has been designated as a Hope Operator pursuant to Section 1002.333(2), F.S., and subsection (2) of this rule, may establish a School of Hope in a Florida Opportunity Zone or in the attendance zone or within a five (5) mile radius of a school identified as a persistently low-performing public school pursuant to Section 1002.333, F.S. A School of Hope may be located outside of a Florida Opportunity Zone or persistently low-performing school attendance zone in the nearest suitable underused, vacant or surplus facility if the district does not have such a facility available for the Hope Operator to use within a Florida Opportunity Zone or persistently low-performing school attendance zone. Students from persistently low-performing schools and students residing in a Florida Opportunity Zone shall be exempt from any enrollment lottery to the extent permitted by federal grant requirements. The School of Hope must be located in the same school district as the Notice of Intent is filed. To establish a School of Hope, the Hope Operator must:
  - (a) through (b) No change.

- (c) Submit the completed Notice of Intent and School of Hope Performance-based Agreement forms to the Sponsor and, if the Sponsor is a Florida College System institution or state university, a Notice of Intent to the Superintendent of the school district in which the persistently low-performing school has been identified by the Department. The forms shall be either hand delivered or sent certified mail with a return receipt requested. The entity shall provide a copy of the completed forms to the Department at the same time they are submitted to the Sponsor. The forms may be provided to the Department electronically or via regular mail at the address in subsection (11)(8) of this rule.
  - (d) through (e) No change.
  - (4) No change.
- (5) Underused, vacant or surplus facility reports and facility access.
- (a) Vacant and Underused Facilities Report. By February 1 of each year, school districts must provide the Department with the following information pertaining to their underused, vacant or surplus facilities:
- 1. The number of classrooms, student stations and administrative spaces;
  - 2. The number of full-time equivalent students;
- 3. Information such as size and capacity for shared spaces such as gym, cafeteria, auditorium; and
- 4. Any other available information regarding school building usage.
- (b) In accordance with Section 1002.333(7)(d), F.S., the Department shall publish a final, corrected list of underused, vacant or surplus facilities by April 1 of each year.
- (c) Floor Plans. The district shall provide floor plans via secure method for any underused, vacant or surplus facility to a Hope Operator that makes a request for such within ten days of receipt of the request.
- (d) Facility Access. Each district must permit a Hope Operator access to any underused, vacant or surplus facility before or after regular school hours within five calendar days from receipt of a Hope Operator's written request for purposes including:
- 1. To tour the facility in order to evaluate the facility's suitability for a School of Hope; and
- 2. For planning, repairs, maintenance, renovations and other purposes on an ongoing basis associated with opening and maintaining a School of Hope. All personnel responsible for the repairs, maintenance, and renovations of the school building must undergo a Level 2 background screening pursuant to s. 435.04, F.S.
- (5) Dispute resolution between school districts and hope operators. Either of the parties may petition the Commissioner for referral of the dispute to the special magistrate, pursuant to Section 1002.333(11), F.S.

- (a) A petition under this subsection shall specifically identify the parties involved in the dispute and describe the issues that remain to be resolved in relation to the performance-based agreement required by Section 1002.333(5), F.S., and the position of the petitioning party on the disputed issues. The Commissioner shall refer the matter to a special magistrate and advise the school district and the hope operator of the special magistrate's contact information by overnight mail. A non-petitioning party may submit a response to the petition to the special magistrate which must be received by the special magistrate within five (5) days of referral. The special magistrate shall enter an initial order detailing applicable procedures for conduct of the proceeding and the final hearing.
- (b) The final hearing in a proceeding under this subsection shall be held in a location determined by the special magistrate. The Department shall record the meeting but, if any party desires that the proceedings be transcribed, that party will be responsible for making the necessary arrangements at its own expense.
- (c) Within fifteen (15) days after the close of the final hearing, the special magistrate shall provide his or her recommended decision to the State Board of Education.
- (d) The special magistrate shall submit the entire record from the final hearing to the State Board of Education which shall include the recording of the final hearing and any exhibits or evidence admitted during the final hearing.
- (e) The State Board of Education must approve or reject the recommended decision at its next regular meeting that is more than seven (7) days from the transmission of the recommended order.
  - (6) Facility selection, space allocation, and use.
- (a) Facility Use and Support Services. A district must permit a School of Hope to use underused, vacant or surplus district facilities and to receive facility-related services.
- 1. A Hope Operator that intends to submit a School of Hope Notice of Intent and locate a School of Hope in an underused, vacant or surplus facility shall submit a letter (the "School of Hope Building Notice") to the Superintendent of the district where the facility is located at least one year and no more than two years prior to the planned opening of the School of Hope. The letter shall include:
- a. The underused, vacant or surplus facility (along with proposed alternatives, at the Hope Operator's discretion) at which the Hope Operator wishes to locate the school;
  - b. Projected SOH Enrollment for such facility; and
- c. At the election of the Hope Operator, a preliminary proposal for space allocation within the building, taking into consideration the Projected SOH Seats.
- The Building Notice may be submitted prior to the submission of a Notice of Intent, beginning on the date fourteen days after the effective date of revisions to this rule that were

adopted at the September 24, 2025, meeting of the State Board of Education.

- 2. The district has twenty (20) calendar days from the date of submission to provide a written objection to a School of Hope Building Notice. Such written objection may propose an alternate facility for consideration by the Hope Operator, taking into consideration the Projected SOH Enrollment and proximity to the student population the Hope Provider seeks to serve. The Hope Operator is not required to accept the alternate facility. Without objection during twenty (20) calendar days from the date of submission, the choice is final.
- 3. A district may only object to a School of Hope Building Notice due to material impracticability. Should two Hope Operators submit SOH Building Notices for the same space, the Department shall award the space to the first Hope Operator to submit their Building Notice.
- 4. A School of Hope Building Notice must not request a facility in which the Projected SOH enrollment exceeds the excess seats set forth in the most recent public reporting published by the Department.
- 5. Pursuant to s. 1002.333(9)(c)-(d), F.S., the school district must permit a School of Hope to have the practical and effective use of all or part of an educational facility at no cost, which includes both the ability to occupy space and operate within the facility and to receive facilities-related services, except as expressly provided in this rule. Further, students enrolled in the School of Hope shall be included in the district's total capital outlay full-time equivalent membership and for calculating any other maintenance funds for the facility.
- a. At the request of a co-located School of Hope, the school district must provide the School of Hope with the same facilities-related services it provides to district-operated schools, including, without limitation, custodial services, maintenance services, school safety services, food services, nursing services, and student transportation services, on all days the School of Hope is open.
- b. If a School of Hope elects to receive school safety services or student transportation services from the school district, the School of Hope shall remit to the school district the full amount of any state allocations specifically designated for such services, including, but not limited to, funds distributed pursuant to the Florida Safe Schools Allocation and the Student Transportation Allocation, or any successor program providing funding for those purposes.
- (b) Shared Facility Plan. Thirty (30) calendar days after the choice of underused, vacant or surplus facility is final, the Hope Operator and district must agree on a Shared Facility Plan, renewable annually, subject to amendment no later than sixty (60) calendar days before expiration of the annual term. The Shared Facility Plan must address the following:
  - 1. Classroom Space and Administrative Space Allocation.

- a. Proportionate Allocation. Classroom space, administrative space and storage space (including student lockers) in the facility must be allocated proportionately based on Projected SOH enrollment and taking room size into consideration.
- b. Contiguous Allocation. The district must ensure that all schools in a building can operate in contiguous space,. To the extent this requires that an existing school consolidate its operations, it must do so within seven (7) days of the end of the prior school year.
- 2. Shared Common Space Usage. All common indoor and outdoor space at a facility such as cafeterias, gymnasiums, recreation areas, parking lots, storage spaces and auditoriums, without limitation, must be shared proportionately based on total full-time equivalent student enrollment. When it is necessary to schedule use of a space, space shall be scheduled proportionately such as by allowing each school to have proportional access to a cafeteria during traditional lunch hours.
- (c) Mutual Management Plan. Thirty (30) calendar days after the choice of underused, vacant or surplus facility is final, the Hope Operator and district must agree on a Mutual Management Plan renewable annually, subject to amendment no later than sixty (60) calendar days before expiration of the annual term. The Mutual Management Plan shall ensure that the space to be used by the School of Hope complies with all safety and other requirements and is maintained as other facilities in the district and as necessary to meet the electrical needs of the School of Hope. District maintenance of space used by the School of Hope must be performed as timely and with as much care as other district space. If the district fails to provide space in this condition, it will reimburse the Hope Operator for fees incurred for such maintenance and ensure building access for any workers providing such services.
- (6) The State Board shall not contract directly with a Hope Operator under Section 1002.333(11)(d), F.S., until receiving a recommendation from the special magistrate.
- (7) Dispute resolution between districts and Hope Operators relating to an SOH Building Notice, Shared Facility Plan, or Annual Building Report.
- (a) Either a district or Hope Operator may request that the Commissioner appoint a special magistrate to resolve a dispute relating to an SOH Building Notice, Shared Facility Plan, or a contract between the district and Hope Operator under s. 1008.33, F.S. Such request shall be copied to the other party to the dispute and shall include an evidentiary submission. The Commissioner will appoint the special magistrate within twenty (20) days of the date of request.
- (b) The non-initiating party may submit a response within twenty (20) calendar days of the special magistrate's appointment.

- (c) The initiating party may then submit a reply within twenty (20) calendar days of the non-initiating party's filing or waive the right to do so.
- (d) The special magistrate may hold an evidentiary hearing if necessary or decline to do so, within forty-five (45) calendar days of the special magistrate's appointment, and will submit its recommended order to the Commissioner within fifteen (15) calendar days of the date of the hearing or its decision not to hold one.
- (e) The Commissioner shall provide a recommended order to the State Board of Education within fifteen (15) calendar days after receipt of the special magistrate's recommended order.
- (f) The State Board of Education must approve or reject the recommended order at its next regular meeting that is more than eight (8) calendar days from the transmission of the recommended order.

(8)(7) No change.

- (9) School of Hope Funds. A School of Hope may only receive School of Hope funds after its first five (5) years of operation if the School of Hope meets the performance metrics outlined below. Funds received based upon performance may be used for any operational expenditures.
- (a) The Department shall calculate School Grades pursuant to s. 1008.34, F.S., and Rule 6A-1.09981, F.A.C. This data shall be used for determining eligibility for School of Hope funds beginning in the school's sixth year of operation and thereafter.
- (b) A School of Hope shall initially qualify to receive School of Hope funds in its sixth year of operation or in a subsequent year of operation if, at any time during its most recent two years of operation:
- 1. It would have been in the top 7 percent of Title I-eligible district schools statewide of the same school type (i.e., elementary, middle, high, or combination) on the English Language Arts (ELA) Achievement component of School Grades, as defined in Rule 6A-1.09981, F.A.C., in at least one school year; and
- 2. It would have been in the top 7 percent of Title I-eligible district schools statewide of the same school type (i.e., elementary, middle, high, or combination) on the Mathematics Achievement component of School Grades, as defined in Rule 6A-1.09981, F.A.C., in at least one school year.
- (c) The thresholds may be met in different school years within the two-year window.
  - (d) Continuation of Eligibility and Provisional Status.
- 1. Once a School of Hope meets the standard as described in paragraphs (b) and (c), it shall continue to receive School of Hope funds each subsequent school year unless it falls below the top 7 percent in either of the components listed in paragraph (b) in the most recent school year.

- 2. If the school falls below the top 7 percent in either of the components listed in paragraph (b) in the most recent school year, it shall be placed in provisional status for that component for the subsequent school year. A School of Hope in provisional status in a component remains eligible to receive School of Hope funds during the provisional status year.
- 3. Provisional status is tracked separately for each component and does not affect funding eligibility based on the other components.
  - (e) Loss and Reinstatement of Eligibility.
- 1. If the School of Hope fails to meet the top 7 percent standard in a component by the end of its provisional status school year for that component, it shall be ineligible to receive School of Hope funds for the following school year until it meets the standard in both components again in the same school year.
- 2. Regaining the standard in a component during a school year restores eligibility for that component for the subsequent school year, but funding will resume only when both components meet the standard in the same school year.
- (f) Applicable Assessments. The applicable assessments are:
- 1. The grade 4 statewide standardized ELA reading and mathematics assessments for elementary schools.
- 2. The grade 7 statewide standardized ELA reading and mathematics assessments for middle schools.
- 3. The grade 10 statewide standardized ELA reading and the Algebra 1 end-of-course (EOC) assessment for high schools.

If the students of a high school generally take the Algebra 1 EOC assessment while enrolled in a middle school operated by the same Hope Operator, student performance on such exam at the middle school shall be used in place of high-school-level results on such exam for purposes of the high school's eligibility under this section.

(10) A Hope Operator shall have access to the student information system in the school district in which a School of Hope is located.

(11)(8) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 1002.333(12) FS. Law Implemented 1002.333 FS. History–New 2-20-18.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Paul Burns

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Anastasios Kamoutsas

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: September 02, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: July 7, 2025

#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

#### **State Board of Education**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6A-6.0576 CAPE Industry Certification Funding List PURPOSE AND EFFECT: This rule outlines procedures and requirements for certifications and certificates to be included on the CAPE Industry Certification Funding List, which are used in funding and accountability determinations. The purpose and effect is to amend criteria that must be met for inclusion on the CAPE Funding List and to clarify language and update terminology throughout the rule.

SUMMARY: District and Florida College System Postsecondary Industry Certification

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 is not expected to have any adverse impact on economic growth or business competitiveness, increase regulatory costs, or any other factor set forth in s. 120.541(2), F.S. and will not require legislative ratification. This is based on the nature of the rule and previous experience with similar amendments to the CAPE Funding List.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1003.4203(8), 1003.491(5)(d), 1008.44(1), 1011.62(1), F.S. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1003.4203, 1003.491, 1003.492, 1003.493, 1003.4935, 1008.44, 1011.62(1), F.S.

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

DATE AND TIME: September 24, 2025, 9:00 a.m. CT PLACE: Northwest Florida State College, 1170 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Building 8, Fort Walton Beach, Florida 32547 THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Tara Goodman, Vice Chancellor, Division of Career and Adult Education, (850)245-9001 or Tara.Goodman@fldoe.org

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

#### 6A-6.0576 CAPE Industry Certification Funding List.

- (1) No change.
- (2) Definitions. The following definitions must be used in this rule and incorporated documents:
  - (a) No change.
- (b) "CAPE Industry Certification Funding List" or "Funding List" means the list of industry certifications and certificates adopted by the State Board of Education for implementation of the Florida Career and Professional Education Act. Certifications and certificates identified on the Funding List are assigned additional full time equivalent (FTE) membership funding, as specified in Sections 1008.44 and 1011.62(1), F.S.
- (c) "CAPE Acceleration Industry Certifications" means certifications identified on the Funding List pursuant to the requirements in Sections 1003.4203(4) and 1008.44(1)(e), F.S. These certifications have statewide articulation agreements for fifteen (15) or more college credits in a related postsecondary associate degree program.
- (d) "CAPE Digital Tool Certificates" means certificates identified on the Funding List pursuant to the requirements in Sections 1003.4203(2) and 1008.44(1)(b), F.S. These certificates assess digitals skills that are necessary for a student's academic work and are appropriate for elementary school and middle grades students.
- (e) "Basic CAPE Industry Certifications" means certifications identified on the Funding List pursuant to the requirements in Sections 1003.4203(3) and 1008.44(1)(a), F.S. An industry certification is a voluntary process through which students are assessed by an independent, third-party certifying entity using predetermined standards for knowledge, skills, and competencies, resulting in the award of a credential. These certifications either do not have a statewide articulation agreement for college credit or have a statewide articulation agreement for no more than fourteen (14) college credits in a related postsecondary associate degree program.
  - (f) through (g) No change.
- (h) "Career and Technical Education Program Concentrator" or "CTE Concentrator" means a student who has completed at least three course sequences in a secondary career and technical program identified on the Secondary Career and Technical Education Programs and Associated Courses with Dual Enrollment Course Substitutions List. Each approved career dual enrollment course counts as a course sequence in a program. At least one of the courses completed must be a secondary CTE course in the curriculum framework for that program.
- (i) "<u>CAPE CTE</u> Pathway Completer" means a student who is a CTE Concentrator in a program who has earned an industry certification related to the program of concentration as

identified on the Secondary Career and Technical Education Program to Certification Linkage List.

- (j) through (n) No change.
- (3) No change.
- (4) Adoption of the annual Funding List. The 2024-25 Funding List is composed of industry certifications and certificates as specified in Sections 1008.44 and 1011.62(1), F.S.
  - (a) through (c) No change.
- (5) General requirements for inclusion on the Funding List for <u>Basic</u> CAPE Industry Certifications, CAPE Acceleration Industry Certifications and any certification approved for CAPE postsecondary funding eligibility.
- (a) Effective for the 2025-26 CAPE Industry Certification Funding List, each certification must meet the following criteria:
  - 1. No change.
- 2. The certification must be developed and issued by a third-party certifying agency which is a recognized industry, trade, or professional entity for the occupations to which the credential is linked, a vendor-neutral certification provider, or a state or federal regulatory body for the related occupations. A vendor-neutral certification provider validates general industry skills and is not bound to a specific company.
  - 3. through 8. No change.
  - (b) through (c) No change.
- (6) Designation of K-12 funding eligibility on the Funding List. In order for a certification or digital tool certificate to be eligible for additional FTE membership funding pursuant to Section 1011.62(1), F.S., the following criteria must be met:
  - (a) through (b) No change.
- (c) To be included as a CAPE Digital Tool Certificate, the certificate must be designated on the 2024-2025 Master Credentials List as a certificate as of June 30, 2023, or be approved by the Department of Education as specified in Sections 1003.4203(2) and 1008.44(1)(b), F.S.
  - 1. through 2. No change.
  - (7) No change.
- (8) Publication Date for the Funding List. The <u>proposed</u> Funding List for the school year must be published no later than August 1.
- (9) K-12 Funding <u>values</u> weights for certifications on the Funding List. Pursuant to Section 1011.62(1), F.S., the <u>value</u> weight used for <u>Basic</u> CAPE Industry Certifications and CAPE Acceleration Industry Certifications in the FEFP is based on statewide articulation agreements approved by the State Board of Education in Rule 6A-10.0401, F.A.C., which is incorporated herein. If an articulation agreement is no longer current and is removed from Rule 6A-10.0401, F.A.C., after the start of the academic year, the funding <u>value</u> weight will be

updated during the adoption cycle for the following academic year.

- (10) Conditions for Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) calculation and reporting for industry certifications and CAPE digital tool certificates.
- (a) A school district is eligible for additional <u>funding</u> FTE membership under the following conditions:
- 1. Middle grades or high school student is enrolled in a registered career-themed course and completes a related <u>Basic</u> CAPE Industry Certification or CAPE Acceleration Industry Certification on the Funding List, or
  - 2. No change.
- 3. Beginning with the 2025-26 reporting year, digital tool certificates may only be reported for elementary grades students up to grade level 5.
  - (b) through (d) No change.
- (e) Postsecondary dual enrollment courses must be registered by the district as career-themed courses for the <u>Basic</u> CAPE Industry Certification or CAPE Acceleration Industry Certification earned in these courses to be included in the additional <u>funding FTE membership</u> calculation, under the conditions specified in Section 1011.62<del>(1)</del>, F.S.
  - (f) No change.
- (11) Conditions for FEFP calculation of the 0.3 <u>value</u> FTE for <u>CAPE</u> Career Pathways Completion.
- (a) The Department of Education and school districts shall use the following program and industry certification documents for the calculation <u>and reporting for students who meet the requirements for a CAPE of the 0.3 FTE for each student who is a CTE Pathway Completer:</u>
  - 1. through 2. No change.
- (b) School districts must report information in the following manner for use in this calculation:
  - 1. No change.
- 2. The student must <u>have been be</u> reported in <u>the secondary</u> a career and technical education program or program of study <u>of concentration</u> on the Career and Technical Education Student Course Schedule <u>in the current or prior years of enrollment</u>.
  - 3. No change.
  - (c) No change.
- (d) <u>Beginning with</u> For the 2025-26 FEFP calculation, school districts shall report <u>a</u> 0.3 <u>value</u> FTE for each program in which a student satisfied the criteria for a <u>CAPE</u> CTE Pathway Completer. This additional FTE shall be reported in the student database formats. To report a student with <u>this value</u> 0.3 FTE, the following conditions must be met:
- 1. A student may only be reported by the district as a CAPE Pathway Completer once. If a student was calculated with must not have generated funding for the district in a program of concentration for in the 2024-25 FEFP in the Department's calculation from paragraph (11)(c), the student may not be

reported as a CAPE Pathway Completer in that program for future years. Once a program generates funding for a student, it may not be reported for funding again. To be used for this calculation, the completion of the third or more course toward concentrator status and attainment of the industry certification in the related program must have occurred after July 1, 2023.

- 2. A student must have satisfied the requirements to be a CTE Concentrator in a <u>secondary</u> program identified on the Secondary Career and Technical Education Programs and Associated Courses with Dual Enrollment Course Substitutions list and completed an industry certification related to the CTE program of concentration as approved on the Secondary Career and Technical Education Program to Certification Linkage List while enrolled in the district.
- 3. A student must have been awarded a standard high school diploma by the reporting district. For students who are CTE Concentrators in more than one program, a certification may only be used once to satisfy the requirements for a CTE Pathway Completer.
- 4. The district's identification of <u>CAPE</u> CTE Pathway Completers must be based upon records included on the reporting formats identified in paragraph (11)(b). The district must maintain detailed course and industry certification records that support their calculation of the <u>CAPE</u> CTE Pathway Completers, which may be requested by the Department for program auditing purposes.
- (e) Beginning with the 2026-27 FEFP, school districts will report student level CTE Program Concentrators and related industry certifications to the Department for use in this calculation.
- (12) Registration of career-themed courses eligible for funding as specified in Section 1011.62(1), F.S. School districts must annually register each career-themed course offered in their district by school using the web-based application available at https://web02.fldoe.org/CAPE/login.aspx.
  - (a) through (d) No change.
- (e) Districts will be eligible for the additional <u>funding FTE</u> membership provided in Section 1011.62<del>(1)(o)</del>, F.S., for the industry certifications on the Funding List which are identified by the school district in the course registration.
- (f) A dual enrollment course at a public or private postsecondary institution may be registered by the district as a career themed course if the district has an articulation agreement with the postsecondary institution and the course leads to an industry certification on the Funding List and is not eligible for other performance funds as specified in Section 1011.62(1)(o)1.b., F.S. A district may submit requests for dual enrollment courses to be added to the registration system in writing with the course number, industry certification and academic standards for the course. The request must be received no later than the first business day of March in the

academic year for the career-themed course registration. Upon validation of alignment between standards and the requirements for the industry certification, the course will be added to the registration system for use in the next open registration period.

- (g) through (i) No change.
- (13) through (18) No change.
- (19) The following documents are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule. Copies may be obtained from the Florida Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400, or at the websites listed below.
- (a) 2024-25 CAPE Industry Certification Funding List (<a href="https://www.flrules.org/gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18622">https://www.flrules.org/gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18622</a> 17520), effective October February 2025.
  - (b) through (i) No change.
- (j) 2024-25 Secondary Career and Technical Education Programs and Associated Courses with Dual Enrollment Course Substitutions, Updated (<a href="http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18623">http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18623</a> 17522), effective October February 2025.

Rulemaking Authority 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1003.4203(8), 1003.491(5)(d), 1008.44(1), 1011.62<del>(1)</del> FS. Law Implemented 1003.4203, 1003.491, 1003.492, 1003.493, 1003.4935, 1011.80, 1011.81, 1008.44, 1011.62(1) FS. History–New 9-20-22, Amended 5-23-23, 9-26-23, 7-2-24, 9-24-24, 2-18-25, 5-13-25.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Kim Richey

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Anastasios Kamoutsas

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: August 29, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: July 23, 2025

#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

#### State Board of Education

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6A-10.081 Principles of Professional Conduct for the

Education Profession in Florida

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To clarify the ethical principles educators are bound by in the state of Florida, with particular emphasis on the obligation to self-report arrests for an offense listed under s. 435.04(2), F.S., and upon entering pleas and pretrial diversion programs for crimes other than minor traffic offenses. The effect will be that information is quickly provided to school districts and help to ensure timely and thorough investigations by the Department.

SUMMARY: The amendment will require instructional personnel and administrative personnel to self-report an arrest for a felony or misdemeanor offense listed under s. 435.04(2), F.S. The report must be made to a school district authority, as

determined by the superintendent, within 48 hours of the arrest. Instructional personnel and administrative personnel are also required to self-report any conviction, finding of guilt, withholding of adjudication, commitment to a pretrial diversion program, or entering of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere for any criminal offense other than a minor traffic violation within 48 hours after the final judgment or commitment to a pretrial diversion program. Additionally, it will require supervising administrators to cooperate with investigations conducted by the Florida Department of Education.

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 proposed rule is not expected to have any adverse impact on economic growth, business competitiveness or any other factors listed in s. 120.541(2)(a), F.S., and is not expected to require legislative ratification. This determination is based upon prior amendments to 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: 1001.02, 1012.795(1)(j), F.S. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1012.795, 1012.799, F.S.

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

DATE AND TIME: September 24, 2025, 9:00 a.m. CT

PLACE: Northwest Florida State College, 1170 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Building 8, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Randy Kosec, Jr., Chief, Office of Professional Practices Services, Randy.Kosec@fldoe.org, (850)245-0438.

#### THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

## 6A-10.081 Principles of Professional Conduct for the Education Profession in Florida.

- (1) No change.
- (2) Florida educators shall comply with the following disciplinary principles. Violation of any of these principles shall subject the individual to revocation or suspension of the

individual educator's certificate, or the other penalties as provided by law.

- (a) through (b) No change.
- (c) Obligation to the profession of education requires that the individual:
  - 1. through 12. No change.
- 13. Shall self-report to a school district authority as determined by the superintendent the following: within fortyeight (48) hours to appropriate authorities (as determined by district) any arrests/charges involving the abuse of a child or the sale and/or possession of a controlled substance. Such notice shall not be considered an admission of guilt nor shall such notice be admissible for any purpose in any proceeding, civil or criminal, administrative or judicial, investigatory adjudicatory. In addition, shall self report any conviction, finding of guilt, withholding of adjudication, commitment to a pretrial diversion program, or entering of a plea of guilty or Nolo Contendere for any criminal offense other than a minor traffic violation within forty eight (48) hours after the final judgment. When handling sealed and expunged records disclosed under this rule, school districts shall comply with the confidentiality provisions of Sections 943.0585(4)(c) and 943.059(4)(c), F.S.
- a. Any arrest for a felony or misdemeanor offense listed under s. 435.04(2), F.S. The report must be made within 48 hours of the arrest; and
- b. Any conviction, finding of guilt, withholding of adjudication, commitment to a pretrial diversion program, or entering of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere for any criminal offense other than a minor traffic violation within 48 hours after the final judgment or commitment to a pretrial diversion program.
  - 14. through 17. No change.
- 18. Shall, if in the position of a supervising administrator, cooperate with all investigations conducted by the Florida Department of Education.
  - (d) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 1001.02, 1012.795(1)(j) FS. Law Implemented 1012.795 FS. History—New 7-6-82, Amended 12-20-83, Formerly 6B-1.06, Amended 8-10-92, 12-29-98, Formerly 6B-1.006, Amended 3-23-16, 11-22-22, 2-21-23, 5-23-23, 8-22-23, 5-30-24.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Paul Burns

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Anastasios Kamoutsas

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: August 29, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: August 7, 2025

# AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION Medicaid

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

59G-6.009 Training, Education, and Clinicals in Health

**Funding Program** 

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of new rule 59G-6.009, is to implement the Training, Education, and Clinicals in Health (TEACH) Funding Program.

SUMMARY: Specifically, the rule creates an application process for reimbursement, provider agreements, and participation in TEACH, pursuant to section 409.91256, Florida Statutes.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: A checklist was prepared by the Agency to determine the need for a SERC. Based on this information at the time of the analysis and pursuant to section 120.541, Florida Statutes, the rule will not require legislative ratification.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 409.91256, 409.919 FS. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 409.905, 409.906, 409.908, 409.909, 409.91256 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: Stephanie Scanlon via MedicaidRuleComments@ahca.myflorida.com or (850)412-4101. Please note that a preliminary draft of the rule, if available, will be posted at http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/review/index.shtml.

#### THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

# 59G-6.009 Training, Education, and Clinicals in Health Funding Program.

(1) This rule applies to all federally qualified health centers (FQHC), community mental health centers (CMHC), rural

health clinics (RHC), or certified community behavioral health clinics (CCBHC) participating in the Florida Medicaid program that establish, maintain, or expand a clinical training program in accordance with section 409.91256, Florida Statutes, (F.S.).

(2) Definitions.

(a) Accredited program. Training or educational program endorsed by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) or the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA), as applicable to the educational or residency program.

(a) Health care practitioners. Residents or students who are enrolled in a Florida-based, accredited educational or residency program as specified in section 409.91256, F.S.

(b) Preceptor. Licensed Florida health care practitioner who directs, trains, teaches, and evaluates students or residents participating in TEACH, pursuant to section 409.91256, F.S.

(c) Qualified facility. As defined in section 409.91256, F.S.

(d) Training, Education, and Clinicals in Health Funding Program (TEACH). Established in section 409.91256, F.S., the purpose of TEACH is to provide qualified facilities with funds to educate, train, and provide clinical experience to students and residents to become health care practitioners.

(3) TEACH Program Process.

(a) Application. Qualified facilities must apply for participation in TEACH by submitting the TEACH application portion of the Training, Education, and Clinicals in Health (TEACH) Funding Program Application and Quarterly Reporting Template, AHCA Form 5000-4061, JUN 2025, incorporated by reference and available at: https://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/medicaid-finance-and-analytics/medicaid-program-finance/lip-dsh-gme-

operations/teach, and <a href="https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18615">https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18615</a> to the Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency)

18615 to the Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) by the established deadline.

(b) Agreement. Upon approval of the application, qualified facilities must contract with the Agency via submission of the completed Training, Education, and Clinicals in Health (TEACH) Funding Program Agreement, AHCA Form 5000-4060, MAY 2025 (agreement), incorporated by reference and available at:

https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18616. The agreement will be provided electronically to the

qualified facility, correspondingly returned to the Agency, and effective upon acceptance of the agreement by the Agency.

The agreement contains requirements for provider participation in the TEACH Funding Program, at a minimum to include:

- 1. Precepting residents and students.
- 2. Maintaining accreditation as appropriate to the training provided.

- 3. Ensuring that preceptors and teaching staff meet standards established by the Agency.
- 4. Collecting and reporting required data quarterly to the Agency.
- (4) Reimbursement. Subject to annual appropriation, the Agency may reimburse qualified facilities participating in TEACH up to \$75,000 per fiscal year; or, up to \$100,000 per fiscal year, if the facility operates an accredited residency program in Florida.

In the case where the applications received for TEACH result in expenditures that will exceed the appropriation, a proportional reduction will be made to all reimbursements, by applying a uniform percentage decrease such that the appropriation is fully exhausted but not exceeded.

(5) Eligible Costs. The qualified facility must apply for reimbursement under the TEACH Funding Program using the Training, Education, and Clinicals in Health (TEACH) Funding Program Application and Quarterly Reporting Template, AHCA Form 5000-4061, JUN 2025 (template), incorporated by reference and available at: https://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/medicaid-finance-and-analytics/medicaid-program-finance/lip-dsh-gme-operations/teach and

https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18615.

The template records expeditures, reconciling eligible costs associated with training students or residents as health care practitioners, based upon the number of clinical training hours per student as specified in section 409.91256, F.S., administrative costs, and, if applicable, loss of revenue. Clinical supervision will be defined based on the facility's accrediting body standards.

- (6) Reporting Requirements. Reimbursement under TEACH requires provision of quarterly reports in an Agency-approved format from qualified facilities to the Agency. The reports must include student demographics and clinical evaluations by program participants, program enrollment and completion statistics, and post-training employment data, in accordance with section 409.91256, F.S.
- (a) Data accuracy. Qualifying facilities must attest to the accuracy of the data submitted within each quarterly report by signing and submitting the Training, Education, and Clinicals in Health (TEACH) Funding Program Certification, AHCA Form 5000-4059, MAY 2025, incorporated by reference, and available at: https://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/medicaid-finance-and-analytics/medicaid-program-finance/lip-dsh-gmeoperations/teach and https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18613.

(b) Data submission. If a facility fails to submit the required quarterly reports by the statutory deadline, the Agency will

withhold payments until the data has been received by the Agency.

(7) Program Term. The TEACH Funding Program ends on or before July 1, 2034, in accordance with section 409.91256, F.S.

<u>Rulemaking Authority</u> 409.91256, 409.919 FS. Law Implemented 409.905, 409.906, 409.908, 409.909, 409.91256 FS. History–New

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Stephanie Scanlon

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

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: August 25, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 28, 2025

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES: 62-705.100 Applicability Definitions

62-705.300 Grease Waste Hauler Requirements 62-705.400 Procedures for Disposal Facility

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62-705.500 Inspecting Entity

62-705.900 Forms

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: This proposed rule implements section 403.0741, Florida Statutes. This rule establishes requirements for grease waste haulers to remove grease waste from originator food establishments and dispose of the grease waste at a certified disposal facility using a service manifest. By establishing a process for grease waste to be accounted for and verified, the Department can minimize discharges or damage caused by grease waste being introduced into the natural environment or public infrastructure.

SUMMARY: Effective July 1, 2022, Section 403.0741, Florida Statutes, requires the Department to adopt rules that establish requirements for the removal and disposal of grease waste from originator food establishments by grease waste haulers. Haulers are required to dispose of grease waste at disposal facilities authorized to receive grease waste. Disposal facilities are either permitted pursuant to Chapters 62-701, 62-620, 62-640, F.A.C., authorizing the storage, processing, or disposal of grease waste or obtain a certification to accept grease waste. Grease waste haulers must document the removal and disposal of grease waste using a service manifest incorporated by reference into this rule. The Department's proposed rule implements section 403.0741, Florida Statutes, to require the use of manifests that track the grease waste from the originator to the certified disposal facility.

OTHER RULES INCORPORATING THIS RULE: None.

EFFECT ON THOSE OTHER RULES: N/A.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will 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 been prepared by the Agency.

A SERC was prepared for this proposed rule and available at the website listed below. Based on the SERC determination, the proposed rule is not expected to have an adverse impact on economic growth, job creation, or employment nor will it have an impact on business competitiveness. While there will be an increased anticipated one-time cost of \$200,000 for disposal facilities in the first year and an annual recurring cost of \$65,000 for the haulers, this rulemaking will not increase regulatory costs in excess of \$1 million in aggregate within five years. The SERC is located on the Division of Waste Management website at https://floridadep.gov/Waste.

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

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 403.0741, 403.707, FS. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 403.031, 403.0741, 403.087, 403.703, 403.707, FS.

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

DATE AND TIME: September 25, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: The Environmental Regulation Commission located at 3900 Commonwealth Blvd, Room 137, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3000.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, religion, sex, pregnancy, national origin, age, handicap, or marital status. Persons who require special accommodations under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge) are asked to contact DEP's Limited English Proficiency Coordinator at (850)245-2118 or LEP@FloridaDEP.gov at least ten (10) days before the hearing. If you have a hearing or speech impairment, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, (800)955-8771 (TDD) or (800)955-8770 (voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Elizabeth Kromhout, (850)245-8744,

or Elizabeth.Kromhout@FloridaDEP.gov. Please contact El within 21 days to request a hearing by email or by writing to: Department of Environmental Protection, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Permitting and Compliance Assistance Program, MS #4550, Tallahassee, FL 32399. The SERC, the proposed rule language, and the proposed forms for Chapter 62-705, F.A.C., are located on the Division of Waste Management website at https://floridadep.gov/Waste.

#### THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

#### <u>62-705.100 Applicability.</u>

This Chapter applies to all haulers and disposal facilities in this state who remove, transfer, dispose, process, or recycle grease waste.

Rulemaking Authority 403.0741 FS. Law Implemented 403.0741 FS. History-New ...

#### 62-705.200 Definitions.

All words and phrases defined in Sections 403.0741, and 403.703, Florida Statutes (F.S.), have the same meaning when used in this chapter unless specifically stated otherwise in the chapter. See Sections 403.0741, and 403.703, F.S., for definitions of the following terms: "Closure," "County," "Department," "Grease interceptor or grease trap," "Grease waste," "Operation," "Originator," "Person," "Processing," "Recycling," "Service manifest," "Solid waste," "Solid waste management facility." The following words and phrases used in this chapter shall have the following meaning:

- (1) "Clean" means the removal of grease waste from a grease trap or grease interceptor so it remains in service and in good working order.
- (2) "Disposal" means the discharge or transfer of grease waste to a permitted or certified waste management facility that is authorized to receive grease waste for final disposition.
- (3) "Disposal facility" means a permitted or certified waste management facility that is authorized to receive grease waste for disposal, processing, or recycling.
- (4) "Hauler" means a person who removes and transports grease waste for disposal, processing, or recycling. This definition excludes self-cleaners as defined in this chapter.
- (5) "Inspecting entity" means any political subdivision of the state, including any state agency, department, county, municipality, special district, utility authority, or other authority or instrumentality, agency, unit, or department thereof with authority to inspect originator grease interceptors or grease traps, or haulers.
- (6) "Self-cleaner" means an originator who removes grease waste from a grease trap that has a storage capacity of 55 gallons or less and that is located at their establishment, who subsequently dewaters the grease waste, places the grease waste

into a container, and disposes the containerized dewatered grease waste in a waste receptacle for transport to a permitted solid waste management facility authorized to accept grease waste or a certified grease waste disposal facility.

Rulemaking Authority 403.0741 FS. Law Implemented 403.031, 403.0741, 403.703 FS. History–New

#### 62-705.300 Grease Waste Hauler Requirements.

- (1) The licensure requirements of this section apply to haulers, as defined in subsection 62-705.200(4), F.A.C.
- (2) A hauler shall submit an application using Form 62-705.900(1) Application for Grease Waste Hauler License, effective date November 2025, hereby adopted and incorporated by reference, to obtain or renew a hauler license to remove grease waste. Copies of this form can be obtained from the Department's website or by contacting the Department of Environmental Protection, Solid Waste Section, MS #4565, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-2400, or the form can be obtained http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18593. Upon receipt of a complete and accurate form, the Department shall issue to each hauler a license which shall be valid until April 1 of the following year. Existing haulers must submit an Application for Grease Waste Hauler License within 180 days from the effective date of this rule. Haulers must submit a renewal Application for Grease Waste Hauler License by March 1 annually. A new hauler shall submit an Application for Grease Waste Hauler License at least 30 days before the hauler intends to begin removal of grease waste.
- (3) A hauler must document the removal and disposal of grease waste using Form 62-705.900(2) Grease Waste Service Manifest (Service Manifest), effective date November 2025, hereby adopted and incorporated by reference. Copies of this form are available via <a href="http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18594">http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18594</a> or by writing to the Department of Environmental Protection, Solid Waste Section, MS #4565, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400, or on the Department's website at <a href="https://floridadep.gov/waste/permitting-compliance-assistance/content/grease-waste">https://floridadep.gov/waste/permitting-compliance-assistance/content/grease-waste</a>.
- (4) Any hauler engaged in collection and removal of grease waste must list the hauler license number obtained from the Department on the Service Manifest form incorporated by reference in subsection 62-705.300(3), F.A.C.
- (5) A hauler must retain a copy of each completed Service Manifest at the hauler's place of business in an electronic format or hardcopy for one year from the date of disposal. The Service Manifest must be available for inspection by the Department or inspecting entity during normal business hours. If records are not available at the hauler's place of business at the time of the inspection, the Service Manifests must be made

- available to the Department or inspecting entity within five business days of the request for production of the Service Manifests.
- (6) An inspecting entity inspecting a grease interceptor or grease trap is authorized to impose an administrative fine not to exceed \$250 for each failure to clean a grease interceptor or grease trap pursuant to Section 403.0741(5)(a)2., F.S.
- (7) A licensed hauler who fails to comply with this rule is subject to having their grease waste hauler license denied, suspended, or revoked, as well as other penalties provided by state law or county/city ordinances, as provided for in Section 403.0741(5), F.S.

Rulemaking Authority 403.0741 F.S. Law Implemented 403.0741 FS. History-New

## 62-705.400 Procedures for Disposal Facility Certification.

- (1) Applicability.
- (a) No person shall construct or operate a grease waste disposal facility without a valid permit or certification issued by the Department.
- (b) Existing disposal facilities that are operating without a valid permit or certification issued by the Department must apply for certification to the Department within one year of the effective date of this rule.
- (c) Disposal facilities that are constructed and operated under a valid permit issued pursuant to Chapters 62-701, 62-620, or 62-640, F.A.C., are not required to obtain a separate disposal facility certification under this chapter if the storage, processing, or disposal of grease waste is addressed or authorized by the disposal facility's existing permit.
- (2) Certification. Applications for certification must be submitted on Form 62-705.900(3) Application for Certification of a Grease Waste Disposal Facility, effective November 2025, hereby adopted and incorporated by reference. Copies of this form can be obtained from the Department's website or by contacting the Department of Environmental Protection, Solid Waste Section, MS #4565, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-2400, or the form can be obtained at <a href="http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18595">http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18595</a>. The certification application must include the following:
  - (a) Name, address, and phone number of the applicant.
- (b) A site plan, signed and sealed by a professional engineer licensed under Chapter 471, F.S., with a scale not greater than 200 feet to the inch that shows the total acreage and location of the disposal facility; identifies the size and location of the proposed processing, storage, and disposal areas; any surface water bodies or wetlands on or within 200 feet of the site; and any potable water wells on or within 500 feet of the site.

- (c) A description of the disposal facility operations that includes:
- 1. A list of all types of materials and wastes that are managed or processed at the disposal facility;
- 2. The expected daily average and maximum volumes of grease waste to be managed;
- 3. How the grease waste will be processed, managed, stored, and disposed;
- 4. A list of equipment that will be used to process, manage, and store the grease waste. As applicable, the list must include details about grease waste storage tank volume and construction material (e.g., fiberglass, steel, etc.);
- 5. The maximum time grease waste will be stored at the disposal facility;
- 6. The maximum amount of grease waste that will be stored at the disposal facility at any one time; and
- 7. A contingency plan that meets the requirements of subsection 62-705.400(9), F.A.C.
- (d) A closure plan describing how the disposal facility will be closed, including the expected disposition of all portions of grease waste after processing.
- (e) Documentation that the applicant either owns the land or has legal authorization from the property owner to use the site for a disposal facility.
- (3) If the Department determines that the information received pursuant to subsection (2) is accurate and complete and meets the requirements of this rule, the Department will issue a certification to the applicant that will include the following information:
- (a) The certified disposal facility's address and phone number; and
- (b) The applicant's name, mailing address and phone number.
- (4) Certifications are valid for three years from the date of issuance unless suspended or revoked by the Department in accordance with Section 403.087, F.S.
- (5) A disposal facility owner or operator must renew their grease waste disposal facility certification using Form 62-705.900(3) Application for Certification of a Grease Waste Disposal Facility [incorporated by reference in subsection 62-705.400(2), F.A.C.]. A renewal application will be considered timely and sufficient if it is submitted prior to sixty days before expiration of the existing certification.
- (6) A certification issued under this chapter is considered a license for purposes of Sections 120.60 and 403.707, F.S. The license and permit revocation provisions of Rule 62-4.100, F.A.C., and Sections 403.087, and 120.60, F.S., apply to certifications issued under this chapter.
- (7) General Provisions. Except where expressly indicated otherwise, the general provisions relating to solid waste

- management found in Chapter 62-701, F.A.C., apply to disposal facilities certified pursuant to this rule.
  - (8) Operational Requirements.
- (a) Disposal facility personnel shall be present during operational hours when grease waste is received.
- (b) The disposal facility shall cease acceptance of grease waste if the disposal facility has reached its maximum storage capacity for grease waste. The disposal facility may only resume acceptance of grease waste once sufficient storage capacity for grease waste is restored.
- (c) Disposal facility personnel shall not mix incoming grease waste intended for "disposal," as defined in Section 403.703(9), F.S., with grease waste intended for "recycling," as defined in Section 403.703(31), F.S.
- (d) The disposal facility shall complete the "disposal," as defined in Section 403.703(9), F.S., "processing," as defined in 403.703(25), F.S., or "recycling," as defined in Section 403.703(31), F.S., of grease waste within six months from the date of the facility's receipt of the grease waste, unless an alternative timeframe for disposal, processing, or recycling is authorized by the Department by the disposal facility's permit, certification, or approved alternate procedure issued pursuant to Rule 62-701.310, F.A.C.
- (e) The disposal facility shall be operated in a manner to control vectors, as defined in Rule 62-701.200, F.A.C.
- (f) The disposal facility shall be operated in a manner to minimize objectionable odors in accordance with subsection 62-296.320(2), F.A.C.
- (9) Every certified disposal facility shall have, as part of its operation plan, a contingency plan that covers operational interruptions and emergencies such as fires, explosions, or natural disasters. The facility shall keep the contingency plan at the facility at all times and shall be accessible to facility operators.
  - (a) The contingency plan shall include:
- 1. The designation of person(s) responsible for implementation of the contingency plan:
- 2. Procedures to notify the Department, the local government, the local fire protection agency, and any other appropriate emergency response agency;
- 3. A description of emergency procedures the facility must follow that includes the location of firefighting equipment and instructions how to use said equipment;
- 4. Provisions for the immediate shutting down of those parts of the facility affected by the emergency and facility notification to customers of the closure of the facility; and
- 5. Procedures to notify neighbors and local government officials of the potential impacts of the emergency and how those impacts can be minimized.
  - (b) Every certified disposal facility shall have:
  - 1. Sufficient equipment to implement the contingency plan;

- 2. Sufficient reserve equipment or an arrangement to obtain additional equipment within 24 hours of equipment breakdown;
- 3. Communications equipment for emergency and routine communications; and
- 4. Adequate fire protection and fire-fighting capabilities to control accidental combustion of grease waste at the facility. Fire protection includes procedures for notification to local fire protection agencies for assistance in emergencies.
- (c) The disposal facility shall undertake all reasonable efforts to immediately extinguish or control a fire at the facility. If the fire cannot be extinguished or controlled within an hour, the owner or operator of the disposal facility shall immediately:
  - 1. Implement the contingency plan;
- 2. Cease accepting waste for disposal in those areas of the facility impacted by the fire;
- 3. Notify the Department and the local government(s) having jurisdiction over the facility of the fire; and
- 4. Provide the fire control plan being implemented by the owner or operator to the Department and the local government(s) having jurisdiction over the facility.
- (d) The owner or operator of the grease waste disposal facility shall notify the local fire protection agency and seek its assistance and shall also notify the local government and any neighbors likely to be affected by the fire if the fire cannot be extinguished or controlled within 48 hours.
- (e) The disposal facility is responsible for the operation and maintenance of grease waste storage tanks as designed for the service life of the tanks.
- 1. The disposal facility must inspect the interior of the tanks whenever the tank is drained or every three years. If the inspection reveals a tank or equipment deficiency, leak, or other deficiency which could result in failure of the tank to contain the grease waste, remedial measures shall be taken immediately to eliminate the leak or correct the deficiency. If the tank cannot be repaired or the deficiency corrected, the grease waste disposal facility must remove the tank from service and no longer store grease waste in the tank.
- 2. The exposed exterior of grease waste storage tanks and related equipment shall be inspected weekly by disposal facility personnel for tank integrity, leaks, corrosion, and maintenance deficiencies.
  - (10) Recordkeeping and Reporting.
- (a) The disposal facility shall maintain monthly records of the volume of grease waste received, that includes the originator, county of origin, and the final disposition of that grease waste. The disposal facility must maintain these monthly records for three years. The volume of grease waste contained in the monthly reports must be recorded in gallons. Existing facilities who file an application for certification under paragraph 62-705.400(1)(b), F.A.C., shall include a summary

- of grease waste onsite at the time of the facility's initial submission of an application for certification.
- (b) The disposal facility shall maintain interior and exterior tank inspection reports. The disposal facility shall provide any inspection reports to the Department upon request for the service life of the tank.
  - (11) Closure Requirements.
- (a) The owner or operator of the certified disposal facility must notify the Department in writing thirty days prior to ceasing operations and must specify a closing date to the address provided in subsection 62-705.400(2), F.A.C., or the local District Office. The disposal facility shall not receive or accept any grease waste after the closing date.
- (b) Within thirty days after receiving the final grease waste load, the disposal facility owner or operator shall remove or otherwise dispose of all grease waste in accordance with the disposal facility's approved closure plan.

<u>Rulemaking Authority 403.0741, 403.707 FS. Law Implemented 403.0741, 403.087, 403.707 FS. History-New</u> .

#### 62-705.500 Inspecting Entity.

- (1) During a compliance inspection, an inspecting entity shall verify that the originator has a contract with a hauler to remove grease waste from the originator's establishment, and that the removal and disposal of grease waste is documented on the Grease Waste Service Manifest.
- (2) As part of a grease interceptor or grease trap inspection, the inspecting entity is authorized to impose an administrative fine pursuant to Section 403.0741(5)(a)2., F.S., for each failure by a hauler to clean a grease interceptor or grease trap.

  Rulemaking Authority 403.0741 FS. Law Implemented 403.0741 FS. History-New.

#### 62-705.900 Forms.

The forms used by the Department in this chapter are adopted and incorporated by reference elsewhere in this chapter. Copies of forms may be obtained from a local District Office or by writing to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Solid Waste Section, Mail Station #4565, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400, or at <a href="https://floridadep.gov/waste/waste/content/waste-management-rule-related-forms">https://floridadep.gov/waste/waste/content/waste-management-rule-related-forms</a>.

- (1) Form 62-705.900(1) Application for Grease Waste Hauler License, November 2025, incorporated by reference in subsection 62-705.300(2), F.A.C.
- (2) Form 62-705.900(2), Grease Waste Service Manifest, November 2025, incorporated by reference in subsection 62-705.300(3), F.A.C.
- (3) Form 62-705.900(3), Application for Certification of a Grease Waste Disposal Facility, November 2025, incorporated by reference in subsection 62-705.400(2), F.A.C.

Rulemaking Authority 403.0741 FS. Law Implemented 403.0741 FS. History-New

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Elizabeth Kromhout, (850)245-8744, Elizabeth.Kromhout@FloridaDEP.gov.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Secretary Alexis Lambert

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: August 15, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: November 1, 2022

## FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

#### Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68A-27.003 Florida Endangered and Threatened Species

List; Prohibitions

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this rulemaking is to maintain consistency with federal listing and three Federally-listed species on the Florida Endangered and Threatened Species List under Rule 68A-27.003, F.A.C. If approved, the Rule will recognize the three species as federally listed.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule maintains consistency among state and federal lists of protected species. The Barbour's map turtle and Escambia map turtle were listed as Threatened due to Similarity of Appearance under the federal Endangered Species Act in July 2024. The Suwannee alligator snapping turtle was listed as Threatened under the federal Endangered Species Act in July 2024. Rule 68A-27.0012, F.A.C., states that if a species is federally listed, it will "be listed by the Commission as a Florida Endangered and Threatened Species by virtue of the federal designation."

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.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Claire Sunquist Blunden, Section Leader, Wildlife Diversity Conservation Section, Division of Habitat and Species Conservation, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, by mail 620 S. Meridian St., Tallahassee, FL 32399-1600, by phone (850)488-3831, or email at imperiled@myfwc.com

#### THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

## 68A-27.003 Florida Endangered and Threatened Species List; Prohibitions.

- (1) Federally-designated Endangered and Threatened species:
  - (a) through (c) No Change.
  - (e) Reptiles:
  - 1. through 5. No change.
  - 6. Sand skink (Plestiodon reynoldsi)(T).-
- 7. Barbour's map turtle (*Graptemys barbouri*)(T[S/A]) (consistent with 89 Fed. Reg. 65225-65225) Listed only because of similarity of appearance to the Pearl River map turtle,
- 8. Escambia map turtle (*Graptemys ernsti*)(T[S/A]) (consistent with 89 Fed. Reg. 65225-65225) Listed only because of similarity of appearance to the Pearl River map turtle,
- 9. Suwannee alligator snapping turtle (*Macrochelys suwanniensis*)(T) (consistent with 89 Fed. Reg. 53507-53528).
  - (f) through (k) No Change.
  - (2) State-designated Threatened species:
  - (a) No Change.
- (b) The following Species Conservation Measures and Permitting Guidelines from the Commission are hereby incorporated by reference and can be found online at the following links:
  - 1. No change.
- 2. Barbour's map turtle, Graptemys barbouri, effective February 2018

(<u>https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref</u>10417);

- 3. through 28. renumbered 2. through 27. No change.
- (c) through (e) No Change.
- (f) Reptiles:
- 1. Barbour's map turtle (Graptemys barbouri),
- 2. through 8. renumbered 1. through 7. No Change.

## 9. Suwannee alligator snapping turtle (Marcochelys suwanniensis)

(g) through (i) No Change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 8-1-79, Amended 6-22-80, 7-1-83, 7-1-84, 7-1-85, Formerly 39-27.03, Amended 6-1-86, 5-10-87, 4-27-89, 9-14-93, 6-23-99, Formerly 39-27.003. Amended 12-16-03, 7-20-09, 11-8-10, 11-14-11, 8-23-12, 9-19-12, 6-10-15, 1-11-17, 6-2-17, 7-20-18, 12-23-18, 6-25-19, 2-17-20, 11-2-20, 2-9-21, 5-27-21, 9-4-22, 1-30-23, 5-24-23, 4-3-25, 7-27-25.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Claire Sunquist Blunden, Section Leader, Wildlife Diversity Conservation Section, Division of Habitat and Species Conservation, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 S. Meridian St., Tallahassee, FL 32399-1600. NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: August 13, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: July 29, 2025

## FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

#### Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68A-27.0021 Designation of Candidate Species;

Prohibitions; Permits

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this rule revision is to designate and declare the Holbrook's southern dusky salamander (Desmognathus auriculatus) and alligator gar (Atractosteus spatula) as candidate species. The effect of the rule will prohibit intentional take of these species except as authorized by specific permit from the Executive Director while the species continue through the formal listing process as outlined in Rule 68A-27.0021, F.A.C., Procedures for Listing and Removing Species from Florida's Endangered and Threatened Species List.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule is an intermediate step in the state listing process for the Holbrook's southern dusky salamander and alligator gar. In 2022, the FWC received two requests to evaluate the Holbrook's southern dusky salamander and alligator gar for listing as State-designated Threatened and the Commission approved a Biological Review Group to evaluate the status of the species. Based on this evaluation, staff made a listing status recommendation to the Commissioners during their August 2025 meeting. Commissioners agreed both species warranted listing as State-designated Threatened and approved incorporating the Holbrook's southern dusky salamander and alligator gar into Rule 68A-27.0021, F.A.C. as a candidate species. This proposed rule is the outcome of that

listing recommendation and will allow staff to continue with the listing process. Once added to the list of candidate species, staff will draft Management Plans and Species Conservation Measures and Permitting Guidelines. Staff will return to the Commissioners for Management Plan and Guidelines approval to complete the listing process and add the Holbrook's southern dusky salamander and alligator gar to the Florida Endangered and Threatened Species List.

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.

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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.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Claire Sunquist Blunden, Section Leader, Wildlife Diversity Conservation Section, Division of Habitat and Species Conservation, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, by mail at 620 S. Meridian St., Tallahassee, FL 32399-1600, by phone (850)488-3831, or email at imperiled@myfwc.com

#### THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

# 68A-27.0021 Designation of Candidate Species; Prohibitions; Permits.

- (1) through (2) No Change.
- (3) The following species are hereby declared to be candidate species: Reptiles: Florida reef gecko (*Sphaerodactylus notatus notatus*). Amphibians: Holbrook's southern dusky salamander (*Desmognathus auriculatus*). Fish: alligator gar (*Atractosteus spatula*).

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 6-23-99, Formerly 39-27.0021, Amended 4-30-00, 5-1-01, 11-8-10, 7-21-21, 1-30-23, 7-11-24

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Claire Sunquist Blunden, Section Leader, Wildlife Diversity Conservation Section, Division of Habitat and Species Conservation, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 S. Meridian St., Tallahassee, FL 32399-1600. NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: August 13, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: July 23, 2025

# Section III Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

## DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

#### Florida Athletic Commission

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61K1-4.001 Amateur Sanctioning Organization

Licensure, Criteria for Approval and Denial

NOTICE OF CORRECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following correction has been made to the proposed rule in Vol. 51 No. 157, August 13, 2025 issue of the Florida Administrative Register.

The changes are based upon written comments received by the staff of the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee.

In 61K1-4.001(1)(c)1: The subparagraph incorporates by reference Form DBPR-FSBC-01, Application for Amateur Sanctioning Organization, effective 06/25 – Page ten, Section VIII- Background Questions: Correction should be made that "If YES to question 1, please complete section IX." And "If YES to questions 2 or 3, please complete section X to be consistent with section IX and section X." As follows:

If YES to questions 1 or 2, please complete section IX. If YES to questions 2 or 3 or 4, please complete section X.

In Section XIII on page 14, is misnumbered and should be labeled Section XI. As follows:

Section XIH - Affirmation by Written Declaration

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Timothy L. Shipman, Executive Director, Florida Athletic Commission, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1016 or telephone (850)488-8500, or by electronic mail to Timothy.Shipman@myfloridalicense.com

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

#### **Board of Massage Therapy**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B7-30.002 Disciplinary Guidelines

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL

Notice is hereby given that the above rule, as noticed in Vol. 51 No. 127, July 1, 2025 issue of the Florida Administrative Register has been withdrawn.

## Section IV Emergency Rules

NOTE: The full text of Emergency Rules that are currently in effect can be viewed by going to https://flrules.org/Notice/emergencyRules.asp.

# Section V Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

67-48.0072 Credit Underwriting and Loan Procedures NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on September 02, 2025, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, received a petition for waiver of subsection 67-48.0072(26) Florida Administrative Code (Effective June 28, 2023) from Pine Island Park, LLC, for an additional extension of 90 calendar days for loan closing to December 11, 2025.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Ana McGlamory, Corporation Clerk, Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, FL 32301-1329. The Petition has also posted on Florida Housing's website floridahousing.org. Florida Housing will accept comments concerning the Petition for 14 days from the date of publication of this notice. To be considered, comments must be received on or before 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the 14th day after publication of this notice CorporationClerk@floridahousing.org or Florida Housing Finance Corporation, Attn: Corporation Clerk, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301-1329.

## Section VI Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Division of Historical Resources

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

DATE AND TIME: September 10, 2025, 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

PLACE: Via Webinar:

Registration URL

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5802842390127062

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Webinar ID

208-459-259

Participants can use their telephone or computer mic & speakers (VoIP).

**United States** 

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Attendee-muted

542-560-444

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Meeting of Florida Semiquincentennial Commission

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Khara Fleming at (850)245-6302 or khara.fleming@dos.fl.gov.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Khara Fleming at (850)245-6302 or khara.fleming@dos.fl.gov. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Khara Fleming at (850)245-6302 or khara.fleming@dos.fl.gov.

#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Florida Department of Education announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: September 16, 2025, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., EDT; September 23, 2025, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., EDT; October 7, 2025, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., EDT; and October 21, 2025, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., EDT, or until business is concluded, whichever is earlier. If business is finished in fewer meetings, subsequent meetings will not occur.

PLACES: September 16, 2025, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., ET https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

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September 23, 2025, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., ET

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Meeting ID: 280 288 678 415 2 Passcode: EL2LS2uP

October 7, 2025, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., ET

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

join/19%3ameeting\_OWI1OTA3M2EtMzNmYS00NGE1LW JhMWYtNjE3ZjA0MGMwMDU5%40thread.v2/0?context=% 7b%22Tid%22%3a%2263bf107b-cb6f-4173-8c1c-

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Meeting ID: 223 029 465 241 6 Passcode: Uh9j2FK2

October 21, 2025, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., ET

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

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Meeting ID: 258 512 753 851 9 Passcode: fK95CD2L

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Mathematics Endorsement Competencies Workgroup

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Barbie Hartsfield at Barbie.Hartsfield@fldoe.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 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Barbie Hartsfield at Barbie.Hartsfield@fldoe.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).

For more information, you may contact: Barbie Hartsfield at Barbie.Hartsfield@fldoe.org

#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Florida Department of Education announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: September 17, 2025, 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., ET, or until business is concluded, whichever is earlier.

PLACE: Virtual

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

join/19%3ameeting\_NjQ0ZGQ4NzMtNDMzNi00NTNILWJmNDAtMDQ5ZjE3YzkyMWQ0%40thread.v2/0?context=%7

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Meeting ID: 212 309 525 263 5 Passcode: oq3KJ7QV

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Commissioner of Education's African American History Task Force.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Timothy.MacGregor@fldoe.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 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Timothy.MacGregor@fldoe.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).

For more information, you may contact: Timothy.MacGregor@fldoe.org.

#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Commission for Independent Education

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6E-5.001 Religious Institution Letter of Exemption

The Commission for Independent Education announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: September 25, 2025, 9:00 a.m., Commission meeting, Degree granting institutions; September 25, 2025, upon conclusion of the Commission meeting, Rules Committee meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss modifications to Rule 6E-5.001, F.A.C., and Form 113, incorporated by reference, needed to implement HB 1255 which was passed during the 2025 legislative session, revising section 1005.06, (1) (f), Florida Statutes, to provide that nonpublic religious postsecondary educational institutions are exempt from licensure by the Commission for Independent Education provided that they meet specified statutory criteria and submit a properly completed application on CIE Form 113: September 26, 2025, 9:00 a.m., Commission meeting, Non-Degree granting institutions; September 26, 2025, upon conclusion of the Commission meeting, Rules Committee meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss modifications to Rule 6E-5.001, F.A.C., and Form 113, incorporated by reference, needed to implement HB 1255 which was passed during the 2025 legislative session, revising section 1005.06, (1) (f), Florida Statutes, to provide that nonpublic religious postsecondary educational institutions are exempt from licensure by the Commission for Independent Education provided that they meet specified statutory criteria and submit a properly completed application on CIE Form 113. The Commissioners will then convene to consider the

adoption of draft rule language to be presented to the State Board of Education for final approval.

PLACE: Mission Inn Resort and Club, 10400 County Road 48, Howey-In-The-Hills, Florida 34737.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: On September 25, 2025 and September 26, 2025 - upon conclusion of the Degree granting institutions and Non-Degree granting institutions the Rules Committee will convene to discuss modifications to Rule 6E-5.001, F.A.C., and Form 113, incorporated by reference, needed to implement HB 1255 which was passed during the 2025 legislative session, revising section 1005.06, (1) (f), Florida Statutes, to provide that nonpublic religious postsecondary educational institutions are exempt from licensure by the Commission for Independent Education provided that they meet specified statutory criteria and submit a properly completed application on CIE Form 113. The Commissioners will also convene on September 26, 2026, to consider the adoption of draft rule language to be presented to the State Board of Education for final approval. The Commission for Independent Education will consider all Degree Granting Institutions on September 25, 2025 beginning at 9:00 a.m. and on September 26, 2025 beginning at 9:00 a.m. all Non-Degree granting Institutions for the following: Disciplinary Matters, Informal Hearings, Institutions Ordered to Appear Back Before the Commission, New Applications for Licensure. Institutional **Applications** for Program Modifications and Additional Programs, Applications for Annual License, Motions for Extension of License, Motions for Request for Extension of Time to Comply with Contingencies, Reports, Approved Applicant Letters Sent, Licenses Sent, Closed Schools, Agent Training Programs, Annual Renewals, Extension of Annual Licenses, Licenses by Means of Accreditation, Annual Reviews of License By Means of Accreditation, Substantive Change Applications, Name Change Applications, Attorney and Executive Director Reports, Requests for Variance, Applications for Exemption for Religious Colleges, Improper School Closure Reports, review and vote on applications for recognition for Licensure by Means of Accreditation, and the General Business of the Commission. The Commissioners will also consider the adoption of draft rule language to be presented to the State Board of Education for final approval.

Public Comment: The Commission is committed to promoting transparency and public input during its public meetings. Speakers are requested to submit a written comment by emailing Executive Director, Tiffany Hurst, at Susan. Hood@fldoe.org one (1) business day before the meeting and to indicate whether they represent a group or faction. The Commission will hear public comment only regarding issues on the agenda. Individuals and representatives of groups will generally be allotted three minutes, but the time may be

extended or shortened at the discretion of the Chair. The Chair may impose a cumulative time limit for all public comment on any agenda item.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: The Commission Office at Commission for Independent Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1414, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400 or by calling (850)245-3200.

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 Commission Office at Commission for Independent Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1414, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400 or by calling (850)245-3200. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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

For more information, you may contact: The Commission Office at Commission for Independent Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1414, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400 or by calling (850)245-3200.

#### REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

South Florida Regional Planning Council

The South Florida Regional Planning Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, September 11, 2025, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

PLACE: Broward Center of the Performing Arts, Mary N. Porter Riverview Ballroom, 201 SW 5th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Notice #29920249, VOL 51/166 has been updated to include attendance by the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority and Southeast Florida municipalities.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Administration at the South Florida Regional Planning Council, 1 Oakwood Boulevard, Suite 250, Hollywood, Florida 33020; (954)924-3653; or sfadmin@sfrpc.com.

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, September 17, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Guana Tolomato Matanzas National Estuarine Research Reserve (GTMNERR), Environmental Education Center, 505 Guana River Road, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082 GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Management Advisory Group for GTMNERR will hold a meeting to provide advisory input for the management of GTMNERR.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Kaitlyn Dietz Murphy by email at Kaitlyn.DietzMurphy@FloridaDEP.gov.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, religion, sex, pregnancy, national origin, age, handicap, or marital status. Persons who require special accommodations under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge) are asked to contact DEP's Limited English Proficiency Coordinator at (850)245-2118 or LEP@FloridaDEP.gov at least ten (10) days before the meeting. If you have a hearing or speech impairment, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, (800)955-8771 (TDD) or (800)955-8770 (voice).

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:** 

64-4.208MMTC Background Screening

The Department of Health announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: September 18, 2025, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. PLACE: Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way Room #166, Tallahassee, FL 32399

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Background screening procedures for medical marijuana treatment centers.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: https://knowthefactsmmj.com/public-meetings/

A copy of the agenda will be available no later than one week prior to the workshop.

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

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Pharmacy

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

DATE AND TIME: October 16, 2025, 8:30 a.m., E.T.

PLACE: Holiday Inn Tallahassee E Capitol – Univ, an IGH Hotel, 2003 Apalachee Pkwy., Tallahassee, FL 32301

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General Business Meeting and Disciplinary Matters

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: floridaspharmacy.gov

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: (850)245-4474. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice). If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board

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

#### FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

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

DATE AND TIME: September 16, 2025, 2:00 p.m., Eastern Time

PLACE: Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, 6th floor Seltzer Room, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

Interested parties may also attend via Webinar. Registration for the Webinar may be made at https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1032193378334840 662

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The workshop will be held to discuss the Multifamily Middle Market Certification process.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Rob Dearduff at Robert.Dearduff@floridahousing.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 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Zach Summerlin, (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).

#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Division of Workforce Services

The Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited. DATE AND TIME: September 10, 2025, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission, 1211 Governors Square Boulevard, Suite 300, Tallahassee, Florida 32301. Attendance by telephone is also available by

calling (850)988-5144 and entering phone conference ID: 282 335 254#.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Disposition of cases pending before the Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission and Commission business. No public testimony or comment will be taken.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: the office of the Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission at RAAC.Inquiries@commerce.fl.gov or by visiting https://floridajobs.org/Reemployment-Assistance-Service-Center/reemployment-assistance-appeals-commission/about-the-reemployment-assistance-appeals-commission2/raac-notices

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 24 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: the Commission Clerk at (850)692-0180. 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: the Commission Clerk at (850)692-0180.

#### 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: September 3, 2025, 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: Zoom

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Personnel Committee of the NWFLAAA Board of Directors will meet to discuss a grievance hearing.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Anna Dyess at (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: Anna Dyess at (850)494-7101. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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

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

AREA AGENCY ON AGING FOR SOUTHWEST FLORIDA The Area Agency on Aging for Southwest Florida, Inc. announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited. DATE AND TIME: September 11, 2025, 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: 2830 Winkler Ave, Suite 112, Fort Myers, FL 33916 GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Items related to AAASWFL business and Board of Directors oversight.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Executive Assistant at (239)652-6900 or ea@aaaswfl.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 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Executive Assistant at (239)652-6900 or ea@aaaswfl.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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

#### MOFFITT CANCER CENTER & RESEARCH INSTITUTE

The Florida Cancer Control & Research Advisory Council (CCRAB) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: September 11, 2025, 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., Eastern

PLACE: URL: https://moffitt.zoom.us/j/99007362371

Meeting ID: 990 0736 2371 Phone: (305)224-1968

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Florida Cancer Plan 2030 Planning Meeting – Subgroup 3: Screening/Early Detection

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: www.ccrab.org

For more information, you may contact: bobbie.mckee@moffitt.org

#### FLORIDA DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL

The Florida Developmental Disabilities Council, Inc. announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited. DATES AND TIMES: September 18, 2025, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Face to Face Council Meeting; September 19, 2025, 9:00

a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Face to Face Council Meeting Continued. (Times are Tentative)

PLACE: Florida Hotel and Conference Center, 1500 Sand Lake Road, Orlando, FL 32809

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To discuss general Council Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Kristen Conlin 1(800)580-7801 or 1(850)488-4180

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 72 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Kristen Conlin 1(800)580-7801 or 1(850)488-4180. 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: Kristen Conlin 1(800)580-7801 or 1(850)488-4180

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

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Florida Building Commission RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61G20-1.001 Florida Building Code Adopted

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Florida Building Commission has declined to rule on the petition for declaratory statement filed by Larry Burchett on June 24, 2025. The following is a summary of the agency's declination of the petition: The Commission took up the petition on August 12, 2025, and declined to issue an answer on the grounds that Petitioner was asking the Commission to opine on the past conduct of other individuals and suggesting changes to the Florida Building Code which must occur during the rulemaking process.

A copy of the Order Declining of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk's Office, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, (850)921-0342, AGC.Filing@myfloridalicense.com.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Florida Building Commission

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61G20-1.001 Florida Building Code Adopted

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Florida Building Commission has issued an order disposing of the petition for declaratory statement filed by Martin Aquatic on June 27, 2025. The following is a summary of the agency's disposition of the petition: Petitioner requested an answer to the following questions, based upon the project described within its petition:

1. Does the exemption stated in sections 454.1.11.2 and 454.1.12.2 apply not only to section 454.1.6.1.1, but also to

section 403.6 of the Florida Building Code, Plumbing, which otherwise replicates the same fixture count requirements? 2. Should the more specific language in sections 454.1.11.2 and 454.1.12.2 be interpreted to supersede the general fixture count requirement in section 403.6 for sanitary facilities serving patrons of an artificial lagoon? 3. Would the Commission confirm that the correct interpretation is that both section 454.1.6.1.1 and section 403.6 do not apply to artificial lagoons with regard to fixture counts? On August 12, 2025, the Commission provided the following answers: In response to Petitioner's first question, the answer yes. The requirements of section 403.6.1 of the Florida Building Code, Plumbing, 8th Edition (2023), are the same as those of section 454.1.6.1.1 of the Florida Building Code, Building, 8th Edition (2023). Therefore, the requirements of section 403.6.1 of the Florida Building Code, Plumbing, 8th Edition (2023), are not applicable to an artificial lagoon facility as defined in sections 454.1.11.1 and 454.1.12.1 (Surf pools) of the Florida Building Code, Building, 8th Edition (2023). In response to Petitioner's second and third questions, see the answer to question 1.

A copy of the Order Disposing of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk's Office, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, (850)921-0342, AGC.Filing@myfloridalicense.com.

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Chiropractic Medicine

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Chiropractic Medicine has issued an order disposing of the petition for declaratory statement filed by Angela L. Lewis, D.C., on May 16, 2025. The following is a summary of the agency's disposition of the petition: Petitioner asked the Board, "How do I get certified as a CCPA by the Radiation Control office?" The Notice of Petition for Declaratory Statement was published in Vol. 51, No. 98, on May 20, 2025, in the Florida Administrative Register. On August 29, 2025, the Petitioner withdrew her petition.

A copy of the Order Disposing of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Dayle DeCastro Mooney, Executive Director, Board of Chiropractic Medicine, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin # C07, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3257, or by telephone: (850)488-0595 or by electronic mail – Dayle.Mooney@flhealth.gov

#### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Division of State Fire Marshal

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Financial Services, Division of State Fire Marshal (Department) has received the petition for declaratory statement from Clinton Slier, on August 26, 2025The petition seeks the agency's

opinion as to the applicability of NFPA 101(2021)19.1.1.1.7 as it applies to the petitioner.

In an existing skilled nursing facility, does the allowance of NFPA 101(2021)19.1.1.1.7 allow all facility windows to be rendered inoperable with screws?

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Sarah Marcos - Sarah.Marcos@myfloridacfo.com

#### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Division of State Fire Marshal

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Financial Services, Division of State Fire Marshal (Department) has received the petition for declaratory statement from Virgil Sanchez, on August 25, 2025The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of § 553.895, Florida Statutes and § 633.208, Florida Statutes as it applies to the petitioner.

Does § 553.895, Florida Statutes exempt a three-story, single-family residential dwelling such as mine from mandatory installation of a fire sprinkler system; and may Volusia County lawfully enforce such a requirement absent a filing and approval under § 633.208, Florida Statutes?

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Sarah Marcos - Sarah.Marcos@myfloridacfo.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

#### **NONE**

### Section XII Miscellaneous

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Index of Administrative Rules Filed with the Secretary of State Pursuant to subparagraphs 120.55(1)(b)7. - 8., F.S., the below list of rules were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State between 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 27, 2025, and 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 2, 2025.

Rule No.	File Date	<b>Effective Date</b>
68A-1.004	8/27/2025	9/16/2025
68A-4.009	8/27/2025	9/16/2025
68A-9.007	8/27/2025	9/16/2025
68A-12.002	8/27/2025	9/16/2025
68A-12.003	8/27/2025	9/16/2025
68A-12.004	8/27/2025	9/16/2025
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68A-15.004	8/28/2025	9/17/2025
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68A-15.063	8/28/2025	9/17/2025
68A-15.064	8/28/2025	9/17/2025
68A-15.065	8/28/2025	9/17/2025
68A-17.004	8/27/2025	9/16/2025
68A-17.005	8/27/2025	9/16/2025
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68B-7.008	8/28/2025	9/17/2025
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69W-200.002	8/27/2025	9/16/2025

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69W-500.019	8/27/2025	9/16/2025	
69W-500.020	8/27/2025	9/16/2025	
69W-500.021	8/27/2025	9/16/2025	
69W-600.001	8/27/2025	9/16/2025	
69W-600.0011	8/27/2025	9/16/2025	
69W-600.0012	8/27/2025	9/16/2025	
69W-600.0016	8/27/2025	9/16/2025	
69W-600.0018	8/27/2025	9/16/2025	
69W-600.0019	8/27/2025	9/16/2025	
69W-1000.001	8/27/2025	9/16/2025	
LIST OF RULES AWAITING LEGISLATIVE			

## APPROVAL SECTIONS 120.541(3), 373.139(7) AND/OR 373.1391(6), FLORIDA STATUTES

Rule No.	File Date	<b>Effective Date</b>
14-10.0043	4/11/2025	**/**/***
60FF1-5.009	7/21/2016	**/**/***
64B8-10.003	12/9/2015	**/**/***
65C-9.004	3/31/2022	**/**/***

#### AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION Certificate of Need

#### DECISION ON EXPEDITED APPLICATION

The Agency for Health Care Administration made the following decisions on Certificate of Need applications for expedited review:

County: St. Johns District 4-3

CON #10882Decision Date: 8/29/2025 Decision: Approved

Applicant/Facility/Project: PruittHealth – 4-3, LLC

Project Description: Transfer CON #10762 from PruittHealth – Ponte Vedra, LLC to the applicant to establish a 120-bed community nursing home

A request for administrative hearing, if any, must be made in writing and must be actually received by the Agency within 21 days of the first day of publication of this notice in the Florida Administrative Register pursuant to Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 59C-1, Florida Administrative Code.

#### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

FSC - Financial Institution Regulation

Office of Financial Regulation

NOTICE OF FILINGS

Financial Services Commission

Office of Financial Regulation

September 3, 2025

Notice is hereby given that the Office of Financial Regulation, Division of Financial Institutions, has received the following application. Comments may be submitted to the Division Director, 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0371, for inclusion in the official record without requesting a hearing. However, pursuant to provisions specified in Chapter 69U-105, Florida Administrative Code, any person may request a public hearing by filing a petition with the Agency Clerk as follows:

By Mail or Facsimile OR By Hand Delivery

Agency Clerk Agency Clerk

Office of Financial Regulation Office of Financial Regulation P.O. Box 8050 General Counsel's Office

Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8050 The Fletcher Building, Suite 504

Phone: (850)410-9889 101 East Gaines Street Fax: (850)410-9663 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0379

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In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Agency Clerk no later than seven (7) days prior to the filing deadline or proceeding, at the Office of Financial Regulation, The Fletcher Building, Suite 504, 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0379, Phone: (850)410-9889, or by Email: agency.clerk@flofr.gov

The Petition must be received by the Clerk within twenty-one (21) days of publication of this notice (by 5:00 p.m., September 24, 2025):

APPLICATION FOR A NEW FINANCIAL INSTITUTION Applicant and Proposed Location: Abra Trust CO., Brickell Center Offices, 801 Brickell Avenue, 4th Floor, Miami, Florida, 33131

Correspondent: Elena Sabkova, Brickell Center Offices, 801

Brickell Avenue, 4th Floor, Miami, Florida 33131

Received: August 28, 2025

Distribution: (Publication Not Required)

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Atlanta, GA

Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Atlanta, GA

Comptroller of the Currency, Atlanta, GA

Florida Bankers Association, Tallahassee, Florida

Elena Sabkova

#### FLORIDA VIRTUAL SCHOOL

FLORIDA VIRTUAL SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOTICE OF ADVERTISEMENT AND PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING

ANTICIPATED ADOPTION OF

2025-2026 FLVS CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT

Notice of Approval to Advertise: The Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees ("Board") has authorized and directed this Notice of Advertisement and Public Hearing regarding its anticipated consideration and adoption of the 2025-2026 FLVS Code of Student Conduct.

Purpose & Effect: It is the intention of the Board that the abovereferenced 2025-2026 FLVS Code of Student Conduct simplify, update, streamline and ensure alignment of FLVS operations and Board Policies and Bylaws with applicable state and federal laws, rules, and regulations.

Access to Text of the 2025-2026 FLVS Code of Student Conduct: Individuals seeking access to the hardcopy/printed version of the 2025-2026 FLVS Code of Student Conduct herein referenced may contact Mr. Bruce Moore, FLVS Board Clerk, at 5422 Carrier Drive, Suite 201, Orlando, Florida 32819. The Board Clerk may be reached by telephone at (407)735-1191 or by email to bmoore@flvs.net. Individuals seeking access to the electronic version of the new or revised policy(ies) may do so via the internet by visiting the Florida Virtual School website at www.flvs.net (navigate to Board of Trustees - "Notice of Rulemaking" tabs/pages). Please be advised that the President and Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of the Florida Virtual School is authorized to correct technical, grammatical, and spelling errors, and to rearrange and renumber sections, paragraphs, designations, and crossreferences in any new, revised, and existing Board Policy and Bylaw which—following consultation with the FLVS Office of General Counsel—the CEO deems reasonable and prudent to achieve and advance the purpose and effect of such policies and bylaws.

Rule Making Authority: The Board is authorized to adopt, amend, and delete Board Policies pursuant to section 1002.37 and applicable provisions of Chapter 120 of the Florida Statutes.

Laws Implemented: Section 1002.37 of the Florida Statutes and all such applicable laws expressed and/or referenced by the 2025-2026 FLVS Code of Student Conduct herein identified.

Person(s) Proposing/Initiating 2025-2026 FLVS Code of Student Conduct: The 2025-2026 FLVS Code of Student Conduct herein identified was originated by and through the FLVS CEO in consultation with the FLVS Office of General Counsel and FLVS personnel with subject matter expertise pertinent to the 2025-2026 FLVS Code of Student Conduct.

Public Hearing: The Board intends to consider, adopt, or otherwise take formal/final action on the above-referenced 2025-2026 FLVS Code of Student Conduct following a public hearing on such matter(s). The public hearing will be held during the course of a regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Trustees on Tuesday, September 30, 2025, which is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. (EST). The meeting will not be held in person. Rather, it will be held by video conference. Any person who wishes to present or register public comments during the public hearing should contact Mr. Bruce Moore, Board Clerk, 5422 Carrier Drive, Suite 201, Orlando, Florida, 32819, no later

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Section XIII
Index to Rules Filed During Preceding
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#### AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION **Health Facility and Agency Licensing**

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### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

14-10.0043 4/11/25 \*\*/\*\*/\*\* 51/18

#### DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES E911 Board

60FF1-5.009 7/21/16 \*\*/\*\*/\*\* 42/105

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**Board of Medicine** 

64B8-10.003 12/9/15 \*\*/\*\*/\*\* 39/95 41/49

#### DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Family Safety and Preservation Program

65C-9.004 3/31/22 48/28

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

69W-302.001 8/27/25

69W-500.019 8/27/25