#### Section I

## Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

#### AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

#### Health Facility and Agency Licensing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE: 59A-4.200 Gold Seal

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Rule 59A-4.200, F.A.C. outlines the requirements for obtaining a Gold Seal Award. The Agency proposes to amend this rule to update application requirements and termination criteria.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Rule 59A-4.200, F.A.C. outlines the requirements for obtaining a Gold Seal Award. The Agency proposes to amend this rule to update application requirements and termination criteria.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 400.235(9), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 400.235, F.S.

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

DATE AND TIME: October 22, 2025, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. PLACE: Agency for Health Care Administration, 2727 Mahan Drive, Tallahassee, Florida, 32308, Building 3, Conference Room B. You may also participate by dialing the Open Voice conference line, 1(888)585-9008, then enter the conference room number followed by the pound sign, 998-518-088#. The agenda and related materials will be posted prior to the workshop on the web at: https://ahca.myflorida.com/health-quality-assurance/bureau-of-health-facility-

#### regulation/rulemaking.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: HQARuleComments@ahca.myflorida.com.

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

#### Section II Proposed Rules

### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

#### Florida Forest Service

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

5I-7.004 Application Procedures and Requirements 5I-7.005 Technical Review and Evaluation of Project

**Applications** 

5I-7.010 Negotiations and Purchase Instruments 5I-7.014 Compliance, Monitoring and Enforcement

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this rulemaking is to clarify and update the department's rules and incorporated forms to increase efficiency in reviewing applications and acquiring rural lands protection easements. The proposed rules clarify existing language to be consistent with previously updated requirements for when the department must obtain approval of the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund for a purchase agreement and when a landowner enrolls in applicable Best Management Practices.

SUMMARY: The proposed amendments update the content and electronic location of forms and clarify existing rule language. The proposed amendments clarify when the department is to submit a purchase agreement for approval only if the purchase price exceeds \$5 million. The proposed amendments will increase efficiency in the administration of the Program.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The department's economic analysis of the adverse impact or potential regulatory costs of the proposed rules do not exceed any of the criteria established in Section 120.541(2)(a), Florida Statutes. The proposed amendments will not add any cost to regulated businesses or the department. Additionally, no interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact.

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: 259.105(3)(i), 570.07(23), 570.71(10) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 259.105, 259.105(3)(i), 570.70, 570.71, 570.715 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: John Paul Fraites, Rural and Family Lands Director, Rural and Family Lands Protection Program, 315 South Calhoun Street, Suite 500 Tallahassee, FL, Tallahassee, FL 32301, (850)681-5944, and RFLPP@FDACS.gov

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

#### 51-7.004 Application Procedures and Requirements.

(1) For purposes of Sections 259.105(3)(i), and 570.71, F.S., anyone submitting an application for consideration of a Project shall utilize Form FDACS-11207, Rural & Family Lands Protection Program Application, Rev. 10/25 12/24, hereby incorporated by reference and immediately available on the internet at: http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18735 http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-17487 or by sending a request to the following mail or email address. When an application review cycle is announced, applications must be submitted by electronic portal entry or mail to: Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Rural and Family Lands Protection Program 315 South Calhoun Street, Suite 500 Tallahassee, FL 32301-1843 RFLPP@FDACS.gov.

Applications must be delivered by 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time), on the final day of the application period, as announced pursuant to subsection 5I-7.004(2), F.A.C.

- (2) No change.
- (3) When an application review cycle is initiated by the Department, all Projects on the existing Project acquisition list will be carried over by confirming accuracy of the original application through the online portal or by submitting a new application Form FDACS-11207 Rural & Family Lands Protection Program Application, Rev. 10/25 without submission of a new application, but will require the Landowner to submit Form FDACS-11210, a Rural & Family Lands Protection Program Project Certification Form, Rev. 04/24, hereby incorporated by reference and immediately available on the internet at:

http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref 17488 or by sending a request to the above mailing mail address. The confirmation or completion of an application form must be submitted by electronic portal entry or mailed by the deadline for submission of new applications published in the Notice of Application Review Cycle. Failure to submit a confirmed or new application the Project Certification Form will remove the project from consideration. If the Project no longer meets the Program eligibility criteria set forth in Rule 5I-7.003, F.A.C., due to changes to use, boundaries, or conditions on the property, Program staff shall deem the Project recommend to the Rural and Family Lands Selection Committee that the Project be deemed ineligible. When such a determination is made, the landowner shall be contacted and provided the reason why the Project is ineligible. When an application review cycle is initiated by the Department, all new and existing Projects will either be ranked or re-ranked in accordance with Rule 5I-7.007, F.A.C.

- (4) through (5) No change.
- (6) If the landowner contemplates a division of the property, the size and scope of such division must be specified in the application and must go before the Selection Committee for approval. No division of the property will be allowed after the approval of the Project without the written consent of the Department. The division must not result in any parcel being below the average median size of farms in the county, as determined by the USDA Average Median Size of Farms by County Table, Version 2022, hereby incorporated by reference immediately available on the internet http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18736 http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-17489 or by sending a request to RFLPP@FDACS.gov or the mailing address provided in Rule 5I-7.004, F.A.C.

Rulemaking Authority 570.07(23), 570.71(10), 259.105(3)(i) FS. Law Implemented 570.71, 259.105(3)(i) FS. History–New 11-3-08, Amended 4-14-15, 6-12-23, 2-27-25, \_\_\_\_\_\_.

## 5I-7.005 Technical Review and Evaluation of Project Applications.

- (1) Once complete and timely submitted, the application shall receive an independent review by members of a Technical Review Team appointed by the Commissioner and coordinated by the Program, who will evaluate each Project as it relates to their area of expertise or program disciplines.
- (2) The Technical Review Team will be authorized to perform a site visit to each new Project by selected team member(s) for the purposes of inspecting, observing, and evaluating agricultural and natural property characteristics of the property, and the degree of quality of the agricultural operations, related to its the suitability for long-term agricultural use, and the natural resource characteristics. The

site visit will provide for an opportunity to exchange of information between the <u>landowner(s)</u> landowner or their representative(s), property manager, and technical review team members.

(3) through (4) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 570.07(23), 570.71(10), 259.105(3)(i) FS. Law Implemented 570.71, 259.105(3)(i) FS. History–New 11-3-08, Amended 6-12-23, 2-27-25,

#### 5I-7.010 Negotiations and Purchase Instruments.

- (1) through (2) No change.
- (3) Upon the initiation of negotiations the Department shall notify the landowner in writing that final purchase approval is subject to affirmative action by the Board, if the purchase price exceeds \$5 million, and subject to legislative appropriation.
  - (4) No change.
- (5) All offers and counter-offers shall be in writing, and shall be documented in the appropriate acquisition file of the Department. Any negotiation that ends with a denial from the landowner will result in the Project being withdrawn from the program.
  - (6) through (7) No change.
- (8) Purchase Instruments. The final negotiated purchase shall be placed in the form of a written purchase instrument signed by the owner and the Department, subject to approval by the Board, if the purchase price exceeds \$5 million, and legislative appropriation.
- (9) through (13) No change.

  Rulemaking Authority 570.07(23), 570.71(10), 259.105(3)(i) FS. Law
  Implemented 570.71, 570.715, 259.105(3)(i) FS. History—New 11-3-08, Amended 6-12-23, 2-27-25.\_\_\_.

#### 5I-7.014 Compliance, Monitoring and Enforcement.

- (1) through (2) No change.
- (3) All Perpetual Easements shall require the landowner to enroll in, implement, and adhere to all applicable Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Best Management Practices (BMPs). The landowner shall agree to enroll in applicable BMPs, such as those adopted in rule titles Divisions 5I, 5L, and 5M, F.A.C., if included in the terms of an option agreement.
- (4) through (6) No change.

  Rulemaking Authority 570.07(23), 570.71(10), 259.105(3)(i) FS. Law

  Implemented 570.71, 259.105(3)(i) FS. History—New 11-3-08,

  Amended 4-14-15, 6-12-23, 2-27-25,

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: John Paul Fraites, Rural and Family Lands Director NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Trustees for the Internal Improvement Trust Fund

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: September 30, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: 9/23/2025

#### STATE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

19-8.010 Reimbursement Contract

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The State Board of Administration of Florida, Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund, seeks to amend the rule listed above to implement Section 215.555, F.S.

SUMMARY: Rule 19-8.010, F.A.C., is being amended to adopt the 2026-2027 Reimbursement Contract, including Addenda SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: Upon review of the proposed changes to this rule and the incorporated forms, the State Board of Administration of Florida has determined that the rule does not meet the requirements for ratification by the legislature. The changes to the rule do not have an adverse impact on small business and do not directly or indirectly increase regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within 1 year of implementation. The changes to the rule also do not directly or indirectly have an adverse impact on economic growth, private sector job creation or employment, or private sector investment, business competitiveness or innovation or increase regulatory costs, including any transactional costs, in excess of \$1 million in the aggregate within 5 years after the implementation of the rule.

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

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

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 215.555(2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (10), (16), F.S.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: October 27, 2025, 10:00 a.m. (ET) to 11:00 a.m. (ET).

PLACE: Conference Call in Number: 1(872)242-7651, Phone Conference ID: 367-509-28#.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Mary Linzee Branham, Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund, 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32308, (850) 413-1335, marylinzee.branham@sbafla.com.

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

#### 19-8.010 Reimbursement Contract.

(1)(a) The reimbursement contract for the 2026-2027 contract

year, http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=ref-18682, including all Amendments and Addenda, required by Section 215.555(4), F.S., which is called Form FHCF-2026K-"Reimbursement Contract" or "Contract" between (name of insurer) (the "Company")/NAIC #() and The State Board of Administration of the State of Florida ("SBA") which administers the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund ("FHCF"), rev. 11/25 is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference into this rule. This contract is effective from June 1, 2026 through May 31, 2027.

(b) Appendix A, for the 2026-2027 contract year, http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=ref-18683, required by Section 215.555(5)(e), F.S., which is called Form FHCF-2026K-1 "Appendix A to Reimbursement Contract" between (name of insurer) (the "Company")/NAIC #( ) and The State Board of Administration of the State of Florida ("SBA") which administers the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund ("FHCF"), rev. 11/25 is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference into this rule. This appendix is effective from June 1, 2026 through May 31, 2027.

(2)<del>(1)</del>(a) No change.

(b) No change.

(2)(a) The reimbursement contract for the 2024-2025 contract

year, http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=ref 16087, including all Amendments and Addenda, required by Section 215.555(4), F.S., which is called Form FHCF 2024K—"Reimbursement Contract" or "Contract" between (name of insurer) (the "Company")/NAIC #( ) and The State Board of Administration of the State of Florida ("SBA") which administers the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund ("FHCF"),

rev. 12/23 is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference into this rule. This contract is effective from June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025.

(b) Appendix A, for the 2024-2025 contract year, http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=ref-16088, required by Section 215.555(5)(e), F.S., which is called Form—FHCF 2024K-1 "Appendix A to Reimbursement Contract" between (name of insurer) (the "Company")/NAIC #( ) and The State Board of Administration of the State of Florida ("SBA") which administers the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund ("FHCF"), rev. 12/23 is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference into this rule. This appendix is effective from June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025.

#### (3) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 215.555(3) FS. Law Implemented 215.555 FS. History—New 5-31-94, Amended 8-29-95, 5-19-96, 6-19-97, 5-28-98, 5-17-99, 9-13-99, 6-19-00, 6-3-01, 6-2-02, 11-12-02, 5-13-03, 5-19-04, 8-29-04, 5-29-05, 11-13-05, 5-10-06, 9-5-06, 5-8-07, 8-13-07, 6-8-08, 9-2-08, 3-30-09, 8-23-09, 3-29-10, 8-8-10, 12-12-10, 9-11-11, 12-19-11, 11-18-12, 12-2-13, 11-12-14, 6-2-15, 1-3-16, 11-9-16, 12-6-17, 1-29-19, 9-17-19, 11-12-19, 11-17-20, 11-10-21, 8-18-22, 10-11-22, 12-19-23, 11-13-24, X-XX-25.

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

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

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: September 30, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: July 1, 2025

#### STATE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

RULE NOS.:	RULE TITLES:
19-11.001	Definitions
19-11.002	Beneficiary Designations and Distributions
	for FRS Investment Plan
19-11.003	Distributions from FRS Investment Plan
	Accounts
19-11.006	Enrollment Procedures for New Hires
19-11.007	Second Election Enrollment Procedures for
	the Florida Retirement System Retirement
	Programs
19-11.008	Forfeitures
19-11.009	Reemployment with a Florida Retirement
	System (FRS) Employer after Retirement
19-11.011	Employer and Employee Contributions and
	ABO or Present Value Transfer Procedures
19-11.012	Rollovers or Plan to Plan Transfers to or
	from the FRS Investment Plan

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The State Board of Administration of Florida proposes to amend Rule 19-11.001 to update the

definition of "default" or "default election," and to change the age when "required minimum distributions" must be made in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code. Rule 19-11.002 is being amended to fix typographical errors. Rule 19-11.003 is being amended to adopt the most recent version of the Employment Termination Form. Rule 19-11.006 is being amended to clarify an employee's plan enrollment choice period deadline. Rule 19-11.006 is also being amended to adopt the most recent versions of the following forms: General Retirement Plan Enrollment Form; Elected Officers' Class Retirement Plan Form; State Community College System Optional Retirement Program (SCCSORP) Enrollment Form; and the Senior Management Service Class Retirement Plan Enrollment Form. Rule 19-11.007 is being amended to adopt the updated version of the 2nd Election Retirement Plan Enrollment Form and the State Community College Optional Retirement Program (SCCSORP) Retirement Plan Conversion Form and to make some editorial revisions. Rule 19-11.008 is being amended to change the investment of the FRS suspense account to the FRS Diversified Income Fund and to make some editorial changes. Additionally, Rule 19-11.008 is being amended to explain that when a member returns to FRScovered employment after retiring by taking a distribution from the investment plan, any forfeited service credit will not be restored, and the member would begin earning service credit for a new retirement. Rule 19-11.009 is being amended to clarify that beginning July 1, 2024, a retiree may return to work in any position with an FRS employer after being retired for six (6) calendar months and continue to take distributions from prior career benefits and salary from that employer. Rule 19-11.009 is also being amended to adopt the most recent version of the FRS Employment Certification Form and to make editorial changes. Rule 19-11.011 is being amended to make editorial changes. Rule 19-11.012 is being amended to change the age when required minimum distributions must be made and to adopt the most recent versions of the following forms: Employee Rollover Deposit Form and Request to Transfer Funds to the FRS Investment Plan; FRS Investment Plan DROP Accumulation Direct Rollover Form for Current DROP Members; and DROP Direct Rollover Form for Former DROP Members.

SUMMARY: The rules are being amended to adopt updated forms and to clarify/correct certain information. There are no other rules incorporating this proposed amended rule. The proposed amendment does not have an impact on any other rules. Legislative ratification of the rule amendment is not required.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: Based on its analysis of the rule amendment, as well as the fact that the Agency is not a regulatory agency, the State Board of Administration has determined that the rules do not meet the statutory threshold for ratification by the legislature. There will be no impact on economic growth, job creation or employment, private-sector investment, business or competitiveness, and no increase in regulatory costs resulting from the proposed rule amendments.

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: 121.4501(8), 215.52 FS. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 121.4501(1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (12), (13), (14), (15) FS.

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

DATE AND TIME: Monday, October 27, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Hermitage Room, the Hermitage Center, 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Tallahassee, Florida 32308.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Brittany Adams Long, Assistant General Counsel, State Board of Administration, 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Tallahassee, Florida 32308, (850)413-1181, brittany.long@sbafla.com.

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

#### 19-11.001 **Definitions.**

The following words and terms shall have the following meanings for purposes of Chapters 19-11 and 19-13, F.A.C.:

- (1) through (10) No change.
- (11) "Default" or "default election" arises when a newly-hired employee fails to enroll in the Pension Plan or Investment Plan by 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) of their choice period deadline date, which is typically the last business day of the 8th month following the employee's month of hire. Such employee is deemed to have defaulted into the Investment Plan as his or her initial plan choice or first election. If the newly-hired employee is employed in a position included in the Special Risk

Class, and fails to enroll in the Pension Plan or Investment Plan by 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) of their choice period deadline date, which is typically the last business day of the 8th month following the employee's month of hire, the employee is deemed to have defaulted into the Pension Plan as his or her initial plan choice or first election.

- (12) through (44) No change.
- (45) "Required Minimum Distributions," ("RMD") are the annual minimum distributions that, pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code, must be taken by members who are age 73 72 or older (age 73 or older if the member reaches age 72 after December 31, 2022) from their qualified retirement plan accounts, including 401(k), 457, 403(b) plans and IRA accounts, when they terminate employment. The amount of an RMD in any year is based on account balances as of December 31st of the prior year. The member must have terminated all FRS covered employment in order for an RMD to be processed. Once the RMD has been calculated, the RMD will be paid to the member, even if the member returns to active FRS employment during the calendar year.
- (46) through (54) No change.

  Rulemaking Authority 121.78(3)(c), 121.4501(8) FS. Law
  Implemented 121.78, 121.4501 FS. History—New 12-8-02, Amended 3-9-06, 7-12-12, 12-16-12, 6-5-14, 8-18-14, 12-30-15, 4-12-17, 2-12-18, 2-19-19, 5-11-22, 7-26-23, 4-22-24,

## 19-11.002 Beneficiary Designations and Distributions for FRS Investment Plan.

- (1) through (3) No change.
- (4)(a) If the member enrolls in the Investment Plan using the EZ Retirement Plan Enrollment Form for Regular, Special Risk and Special Risk Administrative Support Class Employees, Form ELE-1-EZ, rev. 07-21, the General Retirement Plan Enrollment Form for Regular Special Risk and Special Risk Administrative Support Class Employees, Form ELE-1, rev. 07-23, which are adopted and incorporated by reference in subsection 19-11.006(2), F.A.C., or the 2nd Election EZ Retirement Plan Enrollment Form, Form ELE-2-EZ, rev. 07-21, or the 2nd Election Retirement Plan Enrollment Form, Form ELE-2, rev. 07-23, which are adopted and incorporated by reference in subsection 19-11.007(4), F.A.C., the member agrees to the beneficiary designation contained in Section 121.4501(20), F.S., unless the member submits a beneficiary designation as provided in subsection (2), herein.
  - (b) through (g) No change.
- (h) If a beneficiary form is received without a <u>marital</u> marrital status and a spouse has not been listed as a primary or <u>contingent</u> <u>contignent</u> beneficiary, the member will be considered single. If a member should die, and it is later determined the member is married, the account will be updated accordingly and benefits will be paid based on the member being married.

- (5) through (13) No change.
- (14) Procedures for distributions to beneficiaries who are minors.
  - (a) No change.
- (b) When a minor child or children is/are the designated beneficiaries of the member, whether the member is the minor's or minor's parent, grandparent, sibling, other relative or any other person, a copy of the birth certificate of each minor child and the social security number for each minor child must be provided to the FRS Investment Plan Administrator, and must be received prior to any payout, regardless of the amount.
  - (c) through (f) No change.
  - (15) through (19) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 121.4501(8) FS. Law Implemented 121.091(5)(j), (8), 121.4501(20), 121.591(3), 732.802 FS. History—New 10-21-04, Amended 3-9-06, 11-26-07, 12-8-08, 1-7-10, 8-7-11, 7-12-12, 12-16-12, 10-15-13, 1-28-14, 12-30-15, 2-9-17, 2-12-18, 4-8-20, 5-11-22, 7-26-23, 4-22-24, \_\_\_\_\_\_.

### 19-11.003 Distributions from FRS Investment Plan Accounts.

- (1) No change.
- (2) Distributions are available after the member terminates all employment with all FRS employers.
  - (a) No change.
- (b) If the member's termination date has not been submitted by the employer on the monthly retirement report within the three (3) calendar months, the employer can complete and return the "Employment Termination Form," Form ETF-2, rev. 01/25 06-19, https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18722 http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14010, which is bareby adopted and incorporated by this reference. The

http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref 14010, which is hereby adopted and incorporated by this reference. The termination form can be obtained by accessing the website MyFRS.com and then clicking on Forms or by calling the MyFRS Financial Guidance Line at 1(866)446-9377, Option 4 or, for members who are deaf, hard of hearing, or speech impaired, TRS 711. This form has instructions and a section for the employer to provide the member's date of termination. Alternatively, the employer can log onto the employer page at MyFRS.com and go to FRS Online for Employer Services and submit the termination date electronically.

- (c) Upon the expiration of the three (3) calendar months after termination of all employment from all <u>FRS</u> <del>FRS</del> <del>participating</del> employers, the member may request a distribution from the Investment Plan Administrator, by calling the toll free MyFRS Financial Guidance Line at 1(866)446-9377, Option 4 (TRS 711), or by logging on to the MyFRS.com website, accessing his or her personal account information, and then requesting the distribution through the online services.
  - (d) through (e) No change.
  - (3) through (11) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 121.4501(8) FS. Law implemented 119.07(4)(d), 121.021(29), (39), 121.091(5)(j), 121.4501(20), 121.591, 121.77, 732.802 FS. History-New 3-9-06, Amended 11-26-07, 5-19-09, 1-7-10, 8-7-11, 7-12-12, 12-16-12, 12-30-15, 4-12-17, 2-12-18, 5-11-22,4-22-24

#### 19-11.006 Enrollment Procedures for New Hires.

- (1) General Enrollment Procedures.
- (a) No change.
- (b) Eligible newly-hired employees enrolled in the FRS may choose to enroll in the Investment Plan or <u>Pension Plan</u> by submitting an enrollment form or by electronic means.
  - (c) through (e) No change.
  - (2) Specific Enrollment Procedures.
- (a) All newly-hired employees enrolled in the FRS that are not filling a Special Risk Class position may make a plan choice and elect to enroll in the Investment Plan or Pension Plan no later than 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on employee's choice period deadline date, which is typically the last business day of the the last business day of 8th month following the employee's month of hire. If no plan choice is filed by 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the employee's choice period deadline date last business day of the month following 8th employee's month of hire, the employee will default to the Investment Plan and will be considered the employee's initial plan choice or first election. Example: If an employee has a choice period deadline date of January 31 is hired on January 15, the employee must complete a plan choice no later than 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on January 31 the last business day of September. If no plan choice is filed by 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on January 31 the last business day of September, the employee will default to the Investment Plan.
  - 1. through 2. No change.
- (b) All newly-hired employees enrolled in the FRS that are filling a Special Risk class position may make a plan choice and elect to enroll in the Investment Plan no later than 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the employee's choice period deadline date, which is typically the last business day of the the last business day of the 8th month following the employee's month of hire. If no plan choice is filed by 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the employee's choice period deadline date last business day of the 8th month following the employee's month of hire, the employee will default to the Pension Plan and will be considered the employee's initial plan choice or first election. Example: If an employee has a choice period deadline date of January 31 is hired on January 15, the employee must complete a plan choice no later than 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on January 31 the last business day of September. If no plan choice is filed by 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on January 31 the last business day of September, the employee will default to the Pension Plan.
  - (c) through (d) No changes.

- (e) The State Board of Administration (SBA) has designed the forms set forth below for ease of use for employees in the several membership classes of the FRS. As an alternative, an employee not wishing to use the forms may provide the same information requested by the forms available for use for the appropriate membership class in a separate document. Employees may determine their membership class by contacting the agency's human resources office. The forms available are: an EZ Retirement Plan Enrollment Form, Form ELE-1-EZ, 07-21, rev. http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14014, which is only for regular, special risk, and special risk administrative support class employees; a General Retirement Plan Enrollment Form, Form ELE-1, rev. 01-25 07-23, https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18725 http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref 16163 for regular, special risk, and special risk administrative support class employees; an Elected Officers' Class Retirement Plan Enrollment Form, Form EOC-1, rev. 01-25 <del>07-23</del>, https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18726 http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref 16164 a State Community College System Optional Retirement Program (SCCSORP) Enrollment Form, Form OCC-1, rev. 01-25 07 23, https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18727 http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-16165; and a Local Senior Management Service Class Employees Retirement Plan Enrollment Form, Form SMS-3, 07 - 23https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18728 http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref 16166. All of the preceding forms are hereby adopted and incorporated
  - 1. through 2. No change.

by reference.

- (f)1. The enrollment by form or electronic means shall be complete and the election shall be final if all the required information is clearly indicated and if the enrollment is received by the Plan Choice Administrator by 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the employee's choice period deadline date last business day of the 8th month following the date of hire. The form shall be transmitted via mail, courier, online or by fax, as provided on the form. It is the responsibility of the member to ensure that the enrollment form is received by the Plan Choice Administrator no later than 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the employee's last business day that the member is employed and the member is earning salary and service credit, or the choice period deadline date last business day of the 8th month following the date of hire, whichever first occurs.
  - 2. through 3. No change.
- (g) Upon receipt of the completed enrollment form by the Plan Choice Administrator, the Plan Choice Administrator shall enroll the employee in the indicated FRS retirement plan. Upon

completion of the enrollment, but no later than two <u>business</u> working days after enrollment, the Plan Choice Administrator shall send confirmation of the effective enrollment to the employee at the employee's address of record or electronically if the member has consented to electronic delivery of documents through the MyFRS.com website. The Administrator will also inform the Division of Retirement (Division) of the employee's retirement plan choice. The employer is responsible for updating its employee records to reflect the employee's plan choice, if applicable.

- (h) No change.
- (i) Employers are responsible for monthly retirement contributions for their employees and those contributions are due to the Division by the 5th <u>business</u> working day of the month following the month for which the contributions are made.
  - (j) No change.
  - (3) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 121.4501(3)(c)4., (8)(a) FS. Law Implemented 121.051, 121.055, 121.35, 121.4501(2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (8), (15), 121.73, 121.74, 121.78, 1012.875(3) FS. History—New 10-21-04, Amended 3-9-06, 10-25-07, 12-8-08, 5-19-09, 2-4-10, 7-12-12, 12-16-12, 1-28-14, 8-18-14, 12-30-15, 4-12-17, 2-12-18, 2-19-19, 4-8-20, 5-11-22, 7-26-23, 4-22-24, \_\_\_\_\_\_.

## 19-11.007 Second Election Enrollment Procedures for the Florida Retirement System Retirement Programs.

- (1) This rule includes procedures for members who used their first or initial election enroll in the Florida Retirement System (FRS) Investment Plan, Investment Plan Hybrid Option or defaulted into the Investment Plan to use their second 2nd election to transfer to the Pension Plan; and for members who used their first or initial election to enroll in the Pension Plan or defaulted into the Pension Plan to use their second 2nd election to transfer to the Investment Plan or the Investment Plan Hybrid Option. This rule also includes procedures for members who elected to participate in the State Community College System Optional Retirement Program (SCCSORP), in lieu of the FRS membership and want to transfer to the FRS Pension Plan or participate prospectively in the FRS Investment Plan.
- (2) A member may make a valid election only if the election is made and processed by the Plan Choice Administrator during the month in which the member is actively employed and earning salary and service credit in an employer-employee relationship consistent with the requirements of Section 121.021(17)(b), F.S. Members on an unpaid leave of absence or terminated members cannot use their election until they return to FRS-covered employment and are earning salary and service credit. Employees of an educational institution on summer break cannot use their election during the full calendar months of their summer break. For example, if the last day of the school term is May 21st and the first day of the

new school term is August 17th, the employee may not file a second 2nd election in the calendar months of June or July. The beginning of the school term is determined by the employer. In general terms, this means that the election can only be made and processed during the month in which the member is actively working and being paid for that work. An election received after a member's date of death will be considered invalid, even if the member signed the election form prior to their date of death. It is the responsibility of the member to assure that the election is received by the Plan Choice Administrator no later than 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the last business day of the month the member is actively employed and earning salary and service credit.

- (a) The following are examples of scenarios that could result in an invalid election. These are only examples and are not inclusive of all possible situations. Members and employers are encouraged to contact the MyFRS Financial Guidance Line to discuss their particular situation.
- 1. Example 1: A member goes on an unpaid leave of absence on November 12. On December 4, the Investment Plan Administrator receives a second 2nd election form from the member electing to transfer from the Pension Plan to the Investment Plan. The member returns from the leave of absence on January 7. The member's second 2nd election is not valid because the member did not earn salary and service credit in the month of December. The member would be required to submit another second 2nd election during the month in which he or she is actively employed and earning salary and service credit.
- 2. Example 2: A teacher is on summer break from June 6 through August 12. On July 21, the Investment Plan Administrator receives a second 2nd election from the teacher electing to transfer from the Investment Plan to the Pension Plan. The teacher's second election is not valid because the member did not earn salary and service credit in the month of July. The teacher would be required to submit a second election form during the month in which he or she is actively employed and earning salary and service credit once the member has returned from summer break.
- 3. Example 3: A member terminates FRS-covered employment on March 31. On April 1, the Investment Plan Administrator receives a second 2nd election from the member electing to transfer from the Pension Plan to the Investment Plan. The member's second 2nd election is not valid because the second election form was received after the member terminated FRS-covered employment. The member would be required to return to FRS-covered employment and submit a second 2nd election form during the month in which he or she is actively employed and earning salary and service credit.
  - (3) No changes.
  - (4) General Procedures.

- (a) All members who wish to change their FRS retirement plan using their <u>second</u> 2nd election, or a SCCSORP member who wants to switch to the FRS, must submit an election to the Plan Choice Administrator.
- 1. A second election can be made by accessing the online Second Election Choice Service or online by completing the "2nd Election Retirement Plan Enrollment Form." There are two types of enrollment forms. The "2nd Election Retirement Plan Enrollment Form," Form ELE-2, rev. <u>01-2025</u> <del>07-23</del>, <a href="https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18729">https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18729</a>

http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref\_16167, which is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference. This form allows the member to select different investment fund options if the member is changing from the Pension Plan to either the Investment Plan or the Investment Plan Hybrid Option. Alternatively, the member can complete the "2nd Election EZ Retirement Plan Enrollment Form," Form ELE-2EZ, rev. http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14019, which is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference. By completing this form, the member is choosing to have the employer and employee contributions and any transfers from the Pension Plan invested in an age appropriate retirement date fund as provided under the Plan provisions. The member may change the investment selection at any time after the Investment Plan or the Investment Plan Hybrid Option account is activated. Activation occurs when contributions are deposited to the member's Investment Plan account.

- 2. Members who want to exercise their one-time opportunity to transfer from SCCSORP to the FRS Pension Plan or participate prospectively in the FRS Investment Plan must complete the State Community College Optional Retirement Program (SCCSORP) Retirement Plan Conversion form, Form OCC-2, rev. 01-25 07-23, https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18730 http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref 16172, which is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference.
  - (b) No change.
- (c) Elections made by form must be mailed to the Plan Choice Administrator, P.O. Box 785027, Orlando, Florida 32878-5027; or faxed toll-free to the number provided on the form. It is the responsibility of the member to ensure that the second 2nd election form is received by the Plan Choice Administrator.
  - (d) through (j) No change.
- (k) A member enrolled in the Investment Plan as a <u>mandatory</u> renewed member on or after July 1, 2017 is not eligible to use the second election specified in this rule or transfer to the Pension Plan.
  - (5) Grace Period.
  - (a) through (c) No change.

- (d) The member retains the right to file a subsequent second 2nd election consistent with subsections (2) and (3) above.
  - (e) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 121.4501(8) FS. Law Implemented 121.4501(3), (4), (8), (15)(b), (20) FS. History—New 10-21-04, Amended 3-9-06, 10-25-07, 12-8-08, 5-19-09, 1-7-10, 7-12-12, 12-16-12, 12-28-14, 8-18-14, 12-30-15, 4-12-17, 2-12-18, 2-19-19, 4-8-20, 5-11-22, 7-26-23, 4-22-24,

#### 19-11.008 Forfeitures.

- (1) Forfeitures after Separation or Retirement from Florida Retirement System (FRS) Investment Plan.
- (a) If a member terminates or is no longer working in an FRS-covered position before vesting in the Investment Plan or any transferred Pension Plan service credit, the member will not be entitled to any benefit, other than employee contributions, which are immediately vested. In such case, the unvested account balance will be placed in a suspense account for a period not to exceed five (5) years from the date of the member's termination or the effective date of non-FRS eligibility. The suspense account shall be invested in the FRS <u>Diversified Income Core Plus Bond</u> Fund, where it will accrue actual investment earnings or losses.
- (b) If the member returns to work for an FRS employer in an FRS-covered position within the five (5) years from the date of termination, the member's unvested account balance will be returned to the member's account, together with the associated service credit. Any additional service credit earned will be applied towards vesting of the member's benefit. The balance will reflect any earnings or losses while invested in the FRS Diversified Income Core Plus Bond Fund.
- (c) If the member <u>does not return</u> never returns to work for an FRS employer in an FRS-covered position or if the member returns to FRS covered employment five (5) or more years after the date of termination or the effective date of non-FRS eligibility, the member will forfeit the unvested account balance and the associated service credit.
  - (d) No change.
- (e) If the member does not take a self-initiated distribution after terminating from all FRS employers or the effective date of non-FRS eligibility, the unvested Pension Plan benefit will be transferred six (6) months following the termination or the effective date of non-FRS eligibility to a suspense account. The suspense account is invested in the FRS <u>Diversified Income Core Plus Bond</u> Fund, where it will accrue actual investment earnings or losses. If the member returns to FRS-covered employment within five (5) years from the date of termination or the effective date of non-FRS eligibility, the member's unvested Pension Plan service, reflecting any earnings or losses while invested in the FRS <u>Diversified Income Core Plus Bond</u> Fund, will be returned to the member's account, together with

the associated service credit. Any additional service credit earned will be applied towards the vesting of the member's benefit.

- (f) through (g) No change.
- (h) If a member's benefit and service credit are forfeited because the member did not return to FRS-covered employment within five (5) years, but the member later returns to FRS-covered employment after the forfeiture has occurred, the member will be returned to the plan in which he or she was participating at the time of the forfeiture. If the member's benefit and service credit in the Pension Plan are forfeited because the member took a self-initiated distribution from the Investment Plan, the member is considered retired. If the member later returns to FRS-covered employment, the member will be considered a renewed member and will be entitled to renewed membership, if applicable. The previous forfeited service would not be restored, and the member would begin earning service credit for a new retirement.
- (2) Forfeitures of Investment Plan accounts Due to Criminal Activity
  - (a) through (f) No change.
- (g) If a member receives a pardon for any crime applicable to any FRS employment, the member shall have all benefits previously forfeited returned to his or her Investment Plan account reflecting any earnings or losses while invested in the FRS Diversified Income Core Plus Bond Fund.
  - (3) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 121.4501(8) FS. Law implemented 112.3173, 121.021(29), (39), 121.091(5), 121.4501(6), (13), 121.591, 732.802 FS. History—New 11-26-07, Amended 12-8-08, 7-12-12, 8-18-14, 12-30-15, 4-12-17, 2-12-18, 5-11-22, 7-26-23, 4-22-24,\_\_\_\_\_\_.

## 19-11.009 Reemployment with a Florida Retirement System (FRS) Employer after Retirement.

- (1) Reemployment.
- (a) through (b) No change.
- (c) Beginning July 1, 2024, a retiree may return to work in any position with an FRS employer after being retired for six (6) calendar months and continue to take distributions from prior career benefits and salary from that employer.
- (d) (e) To prevent hiring an ineligible retiree, the employer should obtain a written statement from each prospective employee as to the employee's retirement status. The written statement can be set forth on the "FRS Employment Certification Form," Form CERT, rev. 07-24 07-23 https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18731

http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref 16168, which is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference. The form can be found on the MyFRS.com website. This form should be retained in the employee's personnel file.

- (d) is renumbered (e) No change.
- (2) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 121.4501(8) FS. Law Implemented 121.021(29), (39), 121.091(9)(b), (c), 121.4501(2)(j), 121.591(1)(a)4. FS. History—New 11-26-07, Amended 12-8-08, 8-7-11, 7-12-12, 4-12-17, 2-12-18, 2-19-19, 4-8-20, 5-11-22, 7-26-23, 4-22-24,

## 19-11.011 Employer and Employee Contributions and Accumulated Benefit Obligation (ABO) ABO or Present Value Transfer Procedures.

- (1) Employer and Employee contributions.
- (a) All <u>participating</u> <u>state</u>, <u>school district</u>, <u>and local</u> <u>employers (employers)</u> <u>who participate in the</u> Florida Retirement System (FRS) <u>employers</u> and each employee are responsible for making the contributions required by Chapter 121, F.S.
  - (b) No change.
  - (2) One Percent Penalty for Late Payroll Reporting.
  - (a) No change.
- (b) Any employer requesting a waiver of the delinquency fee in accordance with Section 121.78(3)(e)(e), F.S., should shall make a written request, setting forth a full description of the facts and circumstances, to the Office of Defined Contribution Programs, State Board of Administration of Florida (SBA), 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Suite 100, Tallahassee, Florida 32308 or through the Division. The Division will forward any request regarding an Investment Plan waiver to the SBA for review. Waiver of the fee is at the discretion of the SBA. A waiver may be granted only once for an employer in any one fiscal year. Once a delinquency fee has been paid to a member's account, it cannot be waived.
- (3) through (10) No change.

  Rulemaking Authority 121.78(3)(c), 121.4501(8) FS. Law
  Implemented 121.71, 121.72, 121.78, 121.4501 FS. History—New 712-12, Amended 12-16-12, 12-30-15, 4-12-17, 2-19-19, 5-11-22, 7-26-

### 19-11.012 Rollovers or Plan to Plan Transfers to or from the FRS Investment Plan

(1) No change.

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- (2) A member may not rollover assets into the Investment Plan from the following:
  - (a) through (b) No change.
- (c) Required Minimum Distributions required to be paid to a member who has reached age <u>73</u> <del>72</del>;
  - (d) through (e) No change.
  - (3) through (7) No change.
- (8)(a) Instructions regarding check delivery and other information relating to the processing of rollovers, including all applicable forms, may be obtained by calling the MyFRS Financial Guidance Line, which is a toll free line: 1(866)446-9377, Option 4, or, for members who are deaf, hard of hearing, or speech impaired, TRS 711, or by accessing the website at www.MyFRS.com.

- (b) Current members shall use Form IPRO-1, rev. <u>07-24</u> 07-23, "Employee Rollover Deposit <u>Form and Request to Transfer Funds to the FRS Investment Plan Instructions and Form," <a href="https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18732">https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18732</a> http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-16169, which is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference, to effect rollovers described in this rule.</u>
- (c) Current DROP members planning to roll over their DROP accumulation shall use Form IP-DROP-AD-1, "FRS Investment Plan DROP Accumulation Direct Rollover Form for Current DROP Members," rev. <u>07-24</u> <del>07-23</del>, <a href="https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18733">https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18733</a>

http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref 16170, which hereby is adopted and incorporated by reference, to effect rollovers described in this rule.

(d) Former DROP members shall use Form IP-DROP-RO-1, "DROP Direct Rollover Form for Former DROP Members," rev. 07-24 07-23, https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18734

http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref 16171, which hereby is adopted and incorporated by reference, to effect rollovers described in this rule.

- (e) No change.
- (9) through (13) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 121.4501(8), (5)(e) FS. Law Implemented 121.4501(4)(g)5., (5)(e), (21), 121.591 FS. History—New 7-12-12, Amended 12-16-12, 10-15-13, 1-28-14, 8-18-14, 12-30-15, 4-12-17, 2-12-18, 2-19-19, 4-8-20, 5-11-22, 4-22-24, \_\_\_\_\_.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Daniel Beard, Office of Defined Contributions

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

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: June 10, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: September 11, 2025

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

#### **Board of Medicine**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B8-30.003 Physician Assistant Licensure

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rule amendment will incorporate by reference the updated applications for licensure by endorsement - DH-MQA-5103 Mobile Opportunity by Interstate Licensure Endorsement (MOBILE) and DH-MQA 5088 Temporary Certificate for Physician Assistants to Practice in an Area of Critical Need.

SUMMARY: Incorporation of the updated application - DH-MQA-5103 Mobile Opportunity by Interstate Licensure Endorsement (MOBILE) and DH-MQA 5088 Temporary

Certificate for Physician Assistants to Practice in an Area of Critical Need.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: During discussion of the economic impact of this rule at its Board meeting, the Board concluded that this rule change will not have any impact on licensees and their businesses or the businesses that employ them. The rule will not increase any fees, business costs, personnel costs, will not decrease profit opportunities, and will not require any specialized knowledge to comply. This change will not increase any direct or indirect regulatory costs. Hence, the Board determined that a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) was not necessary and that the rule will not require ratification by the Legislature. No person or interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact at that time.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 456.013, 456.031(2), 456.033, 458.309, 458.315, 458.347 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.013, 456.0135, 456.017, 456.031, 456.033, 456.0635, 458.347, 459.022, 459.0076 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: Morgan Rexford, MPH, Executive Director, Board of Medicine/MQA, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C03, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3253, (850)245-4131 or Morgan.Rexford@flhealth.gov

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

#### 64B8-30.003 Physician Assistant Licensure.

- (1) Requirements for Licensure.
- (a) No change.
- (b) All applicants for licensure as physician assistants by endorsement pursuant to section 456.0145(2), F.S., shall submit as part of his or her application DH-MQA-5103 Mobile

Opportunity by Interstate Licensure Endorsement (MOBILE) (Revised <u>8/2025</u> <u>4/2025</u>) hereby adopted and incorporated by reference, and can be obtained from the website at <a href="http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18739">http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18739</a>, <u>18349</u> or <a href="http://flboardofmedicine.gov/licensing/physician-assistant-licensure/">http://flboardofmedicine.gov/licensing/physician-assistant-licensure/</a>.

(c) No change.

(d) All applicants for licensure as physician assistants for Temporary Certificate for Physician Assistants to Practice in an Area of Critical Need pursuant to Section 458.315, or 459.0076, F.S., shall apply on Form DH-MQA 5088, entitled Temporary Certificate for Physician Assistants to Practice in an Area of Critical Need (Revised 8/2025 06/2024), hereby adopted and incorporated by reference, and can be obtained from the website at <a href="http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18740">http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18740</a>, or <a href="http://flboardofmedicine.gov/licensing/physician-assistant-">http://flboardofmedicine.gov/licensing/physician-assistant-</a>

licensure/. (2) through (4) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 456.013, 456.031(<del>2</del><del>2</del><del>2</del>), 456.033, 458.309, 458.347 FS. Law Implemented 456.013, 456.0135, 456.017, 456.031, 456.033, 456.0635, 458.315, 458.347, 459.022 FS. History—New 4-28-76, Amended 11-15-78, 10-23-80, 12-4-85, Formerly 21M-17.03, Amended 5-13-87, 11-15-88, 11-15-90, 1-9-92, 5-6-93, Formerly 21M-17.003, Amended 9-21-93, Formerly 61F6-17.003, Amended 9-8-94, 11-30-94, 10-25-95, 3-25-96, Formerly 59R-30.003, Amended 6-7-98, 8-19-99, 5-28-00, 3-3-02, 5-19-03, 10-19-03, 11-17-03, 9-5-05, 12-12-05, 10-30-06, 2-25-07, 5-20-09, 2-2-10, 12-6-10, 1-27-13, 2-22-15, 7-27-16, 9-26-16, 12-4-16, 9-23-20, 6-23-21, 12-6-21, 6-12-22, 3-9-25, 4-13-25, 8-21-25, Technical Change 8-2-25,

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Rules and Legislative Committee, Board of Medicine

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Medicine

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: August 08, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: September 24, 2025

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

#### **Board of Nursing**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B9-3.008 Licensure by Endorsement

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes the rule amendment to incorporate the revised endorsement application. SUMMARY: The revised application will be incorporated into the rule.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: During discussion of the economic impact of this rule at its Board meeting, the Board concluded that this rule change will not have any impact on licensees and their businesses or the businesses that employ them. The rule will not increase any fees, business costs, personnel costs, will not decrease profit opportunities, and will not require any specialized knowledge to comply. This change will not increase any direct or indirect regulatory costs. Hence, the Board determined that a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) was not necessary and that the rule will not require ratification by the Legislature. No person or interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact at that time.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 464.006, 456.0145(2) FS. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.013, 456.0145(2), 456.036(10), 456.0635(2), 464.0195(3) 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: Dayle Mooney, Interim Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C02, Tallahassee, Florida 32399; (850)245-4125 MQA.Nursing@flhealth.gov.

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

#### 64B9-3.008 Licensure by Endorsement.

An applicant for licensure by endorsement shall submit a completed Board of Nursing Mobile Opportunity by Interstate Licensure Endorsement (MOBILE), DH-MQA-5102 (<u>Revised 8/2025</u> 4/2025), incorporated herein by reference, and may be obtained from

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

1874418388, or from the Board office or on the Board's website: http://www.FloridasNursing.gov and verification of licensure forms from the original state or territory in which licensure was obtained and from a state or territory in which the applicant holds an active license, and pay the required fee.

Rulemaking Authority 464.006, 456.0145(2), (5) FS. Law Implemented 456.013, 456.0145, 456.036(10), 456.0635(2), 464.0195(3) FS.

History—New 4-27-80, Amended 7-12-81, 7-11-83, 7-3-84, Formerly 210-8.26, Amended 3-3-87, 12-8-87, 8-3-89, 11-19-91, Formerly 210-8.026, Amended 9-7-93, Formerly 61F7-3.008, Amended 1-1-96, Formerly 59S-3.008, Amended 2-18-98, 5-8-01, 9-23-03, 5-3-16, 10-9-16, 1-19-18, 3-3-19, 1-2-20, 10-14-20, 9-29-22, 11-12-24, 10-2-25,

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Board of Nursing.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Nursing.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: August 08, 2025

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

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

#### **Board of Nursing**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B9-15.0035 Certification by Endorsement

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes the rule amendment to incorporate the revised application by endorsement.

SUMMARY: The revised application by endorsement will be incorporated.

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.

During discussion of the economic impact of this rule at its Board meeting, the Board concluded that this rule change will not have any impact on licensees and their businesses or the businesses that employ them. The rule will not increase any fees, business costs, personnel costs, will not decrease profit opportunities, and will not require any specialized knowledge to comply. This change will not increase any direct or indirect regulatory costs. Hence, the Board determined that a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) was not necessary and that the rule will not require ratification by the Legislature. No person or interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact at that time.

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:

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: 456.013(1), 456.0145(5), 464.202, 464.203 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.0635, 456.0145, 464.203 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: Dayle Mooney, Interim Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C02, Tallahassee, Florida 32399; (850)245-4125 MQA.Nursing@flhealth.gov.

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

#### 64B9-15.0035 Certification by Endorsement.

An applicant for licensure by endorsement pursuant to section 456.0145(2), F.S., shall submit as part of his or her application DH-MQA-5102 (Revised 8/2025 eff. 4/2025), Board of Nursing Mobile Opportunity by Interstate Licensure Endorsement (MOBILE), which is incorporated herein by reference, and which may be obtained from <a href="http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18679">http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18679</a>

18389, from the Board office or at: http://www.FloridasNursing.gov. Applicants for licensure shall meet and comply with all requirements in Section 456.0145(2), F.S.

Rulemaking Authority 456.013(1), 456.0145(5), 464.202, 464.203 FS. Law Implemented 456.0635, 456.0145, 464.203 FS History—New 2-16-17, Amended 10-28-18, 6-3-19, 10-14-20, 11-13-24, 10-2-25,

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Board of Nursing.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Nursing.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: August 8, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: September 11, 2025

#### **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

#### **Board of Osteopathic Medicine**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B15-6.003 Physician Assistant Licensure

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rule amendment will incorporate by reference the revised applications - DH-MQA-5103 Mobile Opportunity by Interstate Licensure Endorsement (MOBILE) and DH-MQA 5088 Temporary Certificate for Physician Assistants to Practice in an Area of Critical Need.

SUMMARY: Incorporation of the revised applications - DH-MQA-5103 Mobile Opportunity by Interstate Licensure Endorsement (MOBILE) and DH-MQA 5088 Temporary Certificate for Physician Assistants to Practice in an Area of Critical Need.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: During discussion of the economic impact of this rule at its Board meeting, the Board concluded that this rule change will not have any impact on licensees and their businesses or the businesses that employ them. The rule will not increase any fees, business costs, personnel costs, will not decrease profit opportunities, and will not require any specialized knowledge to comply. This change will not increase any direct or indirect regulatory costs. Hence, the Board determined that a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) was not necessary and that the rule will not require ratification by the Legislature. No person or interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact at that time.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 459.005, 459.022, (12) FS. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.013, 456.0135, 456.031, 456.033, 456.0635, 459.022, 459.0076 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 Webster, Executive Director, Board of Osteopathic Medicine/MQA, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C06, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3256, (850)488-0595, or by email at Stephanie.Webster@flhealth.gov.

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

#### 64B15-6.003 Physician Assistant Licensure.

- (1) Requirements for Licensure.
- (a) No change.

- (b) All applicants for licensure as physician assistants by endorsement pursuant to section 456.0145(2), F.S., shall submit as part of his or her application DH-MQA-5103 Mobile Opportunity by Interstate Licensure Endorsement (MOBILE), (Revised 8/2025 4/2025), hereby adopted and incorporated by reference, and can be obtained from the website at <a href="http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18738">http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18738</a>, 17945 or <a href="http://flboardofmedicine.gov/licensing/physician-assistant-licensure/">http://flboardofmedicine.gov/licensing/physician-assistant-licensure/</a>.
  - (c) No change.
- (d) All applicants for licensure as physician assistants for Temporary Certificates for Physician Assistants to Practice in an Area of Critical Need pursuant to Section 458.315, or 459.0076, F.S., shall apply on Form DH-MQA 5088, entitled Temporary Certificate for Physician Assistants to Practice in an Area of Critical Need (Revised 8/2025 06/24), hereby adopted and incorporated by reference, and can be obtained from the website at <a href="http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18737">http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18737</a>, 17802 or <a href="http://flboardofmedicine.gov/licensing/physician-assistant-licensure/">http://flboardofmedicine.gov/licensing/physician-assistant-licensure/</a>.
  - (2) through (4) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 459.005, 459.022, (12) FS. Law Implemented 456.013, 456.0135, 456.031, 456.033, 456.0635, 459.022 FS. History—New 10-18-77, Formerly 21R-6.03, Amended 10-28-87, 4-21-88, 4-18-89, 9-26-90, 5-20-91, 10-28-91, 3-16-92, Formerly 21R-6.003, Amended 11-4-93, 3-29-94, Formerly 61F9-6.003, Amended 2-1-95, Formerly 59W-6.003, Amended 6-7-98, 3-10-02, 2-23-04, 10-30-06, 2-25-07, 5-20-09, 2-2-10, 12-6-10, 1-27-13, 2-22-15, 7-27-16, 9-26-16, 12-4-16, 9-23-20, 6-23-21, 12-6-21, 6-12-22, 3-9-25, 4-13-25, 8-21-25, Technical Change 8-26-25,

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Board of Osteopathic Medicine

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Osteopathic Medicine

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: August 22, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: September 24, 2025

#### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

#### **FSC - Financial Institution Regulation**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

69U-100.097 Gold Coin or Silver Coin Deposits

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect is to create a new rule to conform to and implement Chapter No. 2025-100, Laws of Florida.

SUMMARY: The new rule will require financial institutions to demonstrate compliance with the statutory provisions pertaining to the acceptance of gold and silver coin.

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 Agency expressly relies on an analysis of potential impact conducted by persons with subject matter knowledge of this 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: 655.012(2), 655.97

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 655.097

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: Gerald Perez, Office of General Counsel, (813)218-5367, Gerald.Perez@flofr.gov.

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

#### 69U-100.097 Gold Coin or Silver Coin Deposits.

Any financial institution that accepts gold coin or silver coin deposits or otherwise holds such coin on behalf of its customers, members, or the public pursuant to s. 655.97(4), F.S., must:

- (1) Notify the office in writing at least 30 days in advance of its intent to engage in the practice of accepting gold coin or silver coin deposits or otherwise holding such coin on behalf of its customers, members, or the public. Said notice shall include:
- (a) The anticipated date of commencement of the practice along with the addresses of all branch or physical locations.
- (b) The name and title of the institution officer(s) responsible for overseeing the practice.
- (c) The institution's plan for, and documentation evidencing, compliance with all subsections of s. 560.214, F.S., as required by s. 655.97(4)(d), F.S.
- (d) The institution's plan for, and documentation evidencing, compliance with all subsections of s. 655.97(4), F.S., including the establishment of separate accounts, the procurement and maintenance of insurance, the security of coin storage, customer transparency procedures, and chain of custody procedures and requirements.

- (e) The names and addresses of all third-party vendors or agents associated with the practice, including but not limited to insurers, accredited refiners or wholesalers, and custodians of gold coin and silver coin.
- (f) The institution's oversight plan for any custodian of gold and silver coin or any third-party vendor that stores gold coin or silver coin on behalf of the financial institution.
- (2) Ensure that any gold coin or silver coin purchased for use or circulation as legal tender is provided by an accredited refiner or wholesaler which certifies that the gold coin or silver coin being purchased meets the requirements of gold coin and silver coin pursuant to sections 655.97(1)(c), 215.986(1)(b), 655.97(1)(e), and 215.986(1)(f), Florida Statutes.
- (a) "Accredited refiner or wholesaler" of gold coin or silver coin means a person who has received accreditation by the London Bullion Market Association.
- (b) Financial Institutions must monitor the accreditation status of any refiner or wholesaler it utilizes and maintain records and evidence of the accreditation as well as any changes to accreditation status.
- (3) Make disclosures to a customer or potential customer at the inception of the relationship for providing products or services relating to gold coin or silver coin before a customer initially purchases or uses a product or service.
- (a) Financial Institutions are required to utilize disclosure form OFR-U-97, Disclosures to Customers Gold Coin and Silver Coin, (07/2026) which is incorporated by reference herein and which is available at http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18695.
- (b) The disclosure form may be presented to a customer or potential customer in electronic or paper form but, in any event, must be presented in a clearly legible and prominently displayed format.
- (c) A customer must sign and date the disclosure and the financial institution must make available or provide a copy of the disclosure form to the customer or potential customer.
- (d) Financial institutions must maintain all executed disclosure forms.
- (e) In addition to the maintenance of executed disclosure forms, financial institutions must provide customers or potential customers, upon request, any items of information or document referenced in the disclosure form referenced above, OFR-U-97, Disclosures to Customers Gold Coin and Silver Coin, (07/2026).
- (4) Comply with chain of custody requirements pursuant to s. 655.97(4)(h), F.S., as follows:
- (a) As used in this section, "chain of custody" means the sequential, cumulative, and contemporaneously made documentation and record maintenance of the acquisition, custody, exchange, control, transfer, purchase, sale, ownership,

<u>location</u>, movement, and disposition of all gold coin and silver coin.

- (b) For each item of gold coin or silver coin, a financial institution must make and maintain a chain of custody.
- (c) For each item of gold coin or silver coin, a financial institution must include in the chain of custody:
- 1. Information of gold coin and silver coin owners, including:
  - a. Name of owner.
  - b. Address of owner.
- 2. Documentation of gold coin and silver coin details, including:
  - a. Date of Purchase.
  - b. Type of item (e.g., round, bar, etc.).
- c. Precious metal composition including weight and purity.
  - d. Quantity purchased by each type.
- e. Purchase value and current valuation which is updated monthly including valuation date.
  - f. Date of sale or return to the owner.
  - g. Location of safekeeping.
- 3. Information of sellers of gold coin and silver coin, including:
  - a. Name of seller.
  - b. Address of seller.
- 4. Information of buyers of gold coin and silver coin, including:
  - a. Name of buyer.
  - b. Address of buyer.
- 5. Information of shippers and/or deliverers of gold coin and silver coin, including:,
- a. Name of individual or business shipping and/or delivering gold coin and silver coin.
  - b. Address of shipper or deliverer.
- (d) Gold coin or silver coin returned to owners of gold coin and silver coin via shipping, must be shipped via Registered Mail through the United States Postal Service.
- (e) For each item of gold coin or silver coin that does not bear a permanently affixed or stamped serial number or identification number when acquired from an accredited refiner or wholesaler, a financial institution must assign and affix a unique identifier to the gold coin or silver coin for purposes of chain of custody.
- (f) Each item of gold coin or silver coin, as reflected by each chain of custody, must not be contemporaneously owned or pledged to more than one person or entity, excluding jointly held accounts and beneficiary designations.
- (5) Make reports and submissions to the office of the following items on an annual basis, by March 31st for all activity of the previous calendar year, or sooner as indicated below or as otherwise requested by the office:

- (a) Any changes or modification of the information required under section (1) above, reported immediately upon occurrence.
- (b) Any changes or modification of the accreditation of any refiners or wholesalers, reported immediately upon occurrence.
- (c) Any changes, modifications, cancellations or claims regarding of the insurance policy or carrier required by s. 560.214, F.S., or s. 655.97(4), F.S., reported immediately upon occurrence.
- (d) Any theft, destruction, or other loss of any gold coin or silver coin, reported immediately upon occurrence.
- e) Documentation evidencing compliance with s. 560.214(1), F.S., as required by s. 655.97(4)(d), F.S., if applicable.
- (f) Documentation evidencing compliance with s. 560.214(2), F.S., as required by s. 655.97(4)(d), F.S., if applicable.
- (g) Documentation evidencing compliance with s. 655.97(4), F.S., to the extent not duplicative of paragraph (5)(e) or (5)(f) above.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2026

Rulemaking Authority 655.012, 655.97 F.S. Law Implemented 655.97 FS. History—New July 1, 2026.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Ben Brinkley III

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Financial Services Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: September 30, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: July 16, 2025

## Section III Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**Board of Pharmacy** 

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B16-26.2032 Application for Pharmacy Intern

Registration

NOTICE OF CORRECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following correction has been made to the proposed rule in Vol. 51 No. 166, August 26, 2025 issue of the Florida Administrative Register.

The correction is as follows:

## $\begin{tabular}{lll} 64B16-26.2032 & Application & for & Pharmacy & Intern \\ Registration & \end{tabular}$

(l) through (3) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 465.005 FS. Law Implemented 456.013(1), (2), (3), (13), 456.0635, 465.003(12), (13), 465.007(1)(c), 465.007(1)(c)2., 465.013 FS. History—New 4-1-07, Amended 7-7-10, 10-7-12, 3-15-17, 12-29-21.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Traci Zeh, Executive Director, Board of Pharmacy, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C08, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3258; (850)488-0595 or by email at info@Floridaspharmacy.gov.

#### Section IV Emergency Rules

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

#### Division of Public Health Statistics and Performance Management

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64WER25-2 Health Care Innovation Loan Program

**Definitions** 

SPECIFIC REASONS FOR FINDING AN IMMEDIATE DANGER TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE: Pursuant to Chapter 2024-016, section 2, Laws of Florida, the Department is required and authorized to adopt emergency rules to implement section 381.4015, Florida Statutes, and need not make findings of an immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare.

REASON FOR CONCLUDING THAT THE PROCEDURE IS FAIR UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES: The Department is directed and authorized by Chapter 2024-016, section 2, Laws of Florida, to adopt emergency rules to implement section 381.4015, Florida Statutes.

SUMMARY: This emergency rule implements section 381.4015, Florida Statutes, by defining terms used in the application process.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RULE IS: Dr. Emma Spencer, emma.spencer@flhealth.gov, (850)245-4035.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE EMERGENCY RULE IS:

## <u>64WER25-2 Health Care Innovation Loan Program</u> Definitions.

As used in section 381.4015, F.S., and emergency rules 64WER25-2 and 64WER25-3, the following definitions apply.

(1) "Applicant" means any legally recognized person or entity that is eligible pursuant to section 381.4015(7)(b)1.-2., F.S., to apply and has applied to the department at www.healthcareinnovationloan.floridahealth.gov/LAP or by email to healthinnovation@flhealth.gov for a Health Care Innovation Loan.

- (2) "Application" or "proposal" means the Health Care Innovation Loan Application, DH8024-PHSPM-08-2025, effective August 22, 2025, which is incorporated by reference and available at www.innovation.floridahealth.gov/LAP, and which has been submitted to the department at www.healthcareinnovationloan.floridahealth.gov/LAP.
- (3) "Application period" means the time between the commencement and closing dates published at www.innovation.floridahealth.gov during which applications for Health Care Innovation Loans will be accepted by the department.
- (4) "Borrower" or "loan recipient" means an applicant whose application has been approved for a loan award.
- (5) "Complete application" means an application in which all questions and required information have been completed, and for which all supporting documentation has been submitted to the department.
- (6) "Fiscal award year" means the 12-month period commencing July 1 through June 30 of the following calendar year.
- (7) "Medicaid recipient" means an individual whom the Department of Children and Families, or, for Supplemental Security Income, the Social Security Administration, determines is eligible, pursuant to federal and state law, to receive medical assistance and related services for which the Agency for Health Care Administration may make payments under the Medicaid program, as defined by section 409.901(16), F.S.
- (8) "Third-party administrator" means the entity with which the department has entered into an agreement to provide loan servicing and to manage the revolving loan fund.

  Rulemaking Authority 381.4015(7)(a), (10) FS. Law Implemented 381.4015 FS. History New 10-1-25.

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

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

#### Division of Public Health Statistics and Performance Management

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64WER25-3 Health Care Innovation Loan Application

Submission and Review

SPECIFIC REASONS FOR FINDING AN IMMEDIATE DANGER TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE: Pursuant to Chapter 2024-016, section 2, Laws of Florida, the Department is required and authorized to adopt emergency rules to implement section 381.4015, Florida Statutes, and need not make findings of an immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare.

REASON FOR CONCLUDING THAT THE PROCEDURE IS FAIR UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES: The Department is directed and authorized by Chapter 2024-016, section 2, Laws of Florida, to adopt emergency rules to implement section 381.4015. Florida Statutes.

SUMMARY: This emergency rule implements section 381.4015, Florida Statutes, by establishing a process by which eligible entities may apply for a health care innovation loan and establishing a review process.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RULE IS: Dr. Emma Spencer, emma.spencer@flhealth.gov, (850)245-4035.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE EMERGENCY RULE IS:

#### <u>64WER25-3 Health Care Innovation Loan Application</u> Submission and Review.

- (1) An application for a Health Care Innovation Loan must be completed and submitted at www.healthcareinnovationloan.floridahealth.gov/LAP within the application period. Supporting documentation must be submitted in a text-searchable electronic format by upload at www.healthcareinnovationloan.floridahealth.gov/LAP or by email to healthinnovation@flhealth.gov within the application period.
- (2) Each application period and the corresponding fiscal award year will be announced at least annually at www.innovation.floridahealth.gov.
- (3) Applications must be received by the department by 11:59 PM Eastern Time on the closing day of the application period to be considered.
- (4) Applications will be reviewed upon receipt for documentation demonstrating how the proposed use of the Health Care Innovation Loan will meet the eligibility criteria listed below and will be awarded up to the indicated number of points.
- (a) Strategic Impact (30 points): The proposal aligns with statutory requirements to reduce costs, improve access, and scale statewide. Proposals designed to enhance patient outcomes and access (e.g., through innovative technologies or care delivery models) are prioritized over other focus areas (workforce, cost reduction, technology integration). Scalability and impact throughout the state through growth and replication of programs, innovations or advancements derived from the project will be considered.
- (b) Return on Investment (25 points): The proposal demonstrates cost savings, financial viability, and long-term benefits. Applicants must provide measurable objectives (e.g., reducing disease burden, obesity rates, or hospital admissions) to demonstrate economic and health system impact.

- (c) Strength of Implementation (20 points): The proposal demonstrates extensive subject matter expertise and includes a realistic timeline, budget, and collaboration plan. Timelines are assessed for feasibility based on scope, budget, and team capacity.
- (d) Patient Outcomes and Population Benefits (15 points): The proposal delivers measurable benefits to patients, workforce, and communities. Emphasis is placed on wellness and preventive interventions (e.g., diet, nutrition, mental health, cancer screening) to keep individuals healthy and reduce healthcare system reliance, supported by evidence from prior studies or implementations.
- (e) Geographic Priority (5 points): The proposal targets rural or underserved areas with demonstrated need and impact and are designated as a "medically underserved area or population" (MUA/P). A MUA/P is a geographic area or population group that lacks adequate access to primary healthcare services, as determined by the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA).
- (f) Nonprofit Medicaid Recipients (5 points): The proposal targets nonprofit entities that accept Medicaid recipients.
- (5) The department will send to any applicant whose application has errors or omissions a single email describing the error or omission. The email describing the error or omission will be sent to the primary email address in the application not later than 5 business days after the closing day of the application period.
- (a) Within 5 business days of the applicant's receipt of the department's email describing the error or omission, the applicant may submit an amendment to healthinnovation@flhealth.gov to correct the error or omission or withdraw the application.
- (b) Applications for which the amendments to correct errors or omissions are not received within 5 business days of the applicant's receipt of the department's email describing the error or omission will be deemed incomplete.
- (c) Incomplete applications will be disqualified from current application period. Disqualified applications will not be provided to the Health Care Innovation Council during the current application period. Disqualified applications that are completed after the end of the current application period will be provided to the Health Care Innovation Council for review during the application period in which they are completed.
- (6) The department will provide complete applications and the department's preliminary recommendations to the Health Care Innovation Council for review. The Health Care Innovation Council will return reviewed applications to the department together with a list ranking the applications in the order in which the Council identifies as best fitting the priority

areas of the Council, beginning with the best-fitting application first.

- (7) Notice of the department's determination to approve or deny an application will be provided to each applicant by a single email sent to the primary email address in the application.
- (8) Application determinations will be published at www.innovation.floridahealth.gov.

Rulemaking Authority 381.4015(7)(a), (10) FS. Law Implemented 381.4015 FS. History – New 10-1-25.

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

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

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61C-4.010 Sanitation and Safety Requirements

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 02, 2025, the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, received a petition for A Routine Variance for Subparagraph 3-305.11(A)(2), 2017 FDA Food Code, Section 3-305.14, 2017 FDA Food Code, Section 6-202.15, 2017 FDA Food Code, Section 6-202.16, 2017 FDA Food Code, subsection 61C-4.010(1), Florida Administrative Code, and subsection 61C-4.010(6), Florida Administrative Code from Tacos Al Maximo LLC. located in Palmetto. The above referenced F.A.C. addresses the requirement for proper handling and dispensing of food. They are requesting to dispense bulk time/temperature control for safety foods from an open air mobile food dispensing vehicle.

The Division of Hotels and Restaurants will accept comments concerning the Petition for 14 days from the date of publication of this notice. To be considered, comments must be received before 5:00 p.m.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Daisy.Aleman@myfloridalicense.com, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1011.

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

#### REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

**Emerald Coast Regional Council** 

The Bay County Transportation Planning Organization announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 7, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: BayWay Conference Room 1010 Cone Ave Panama City, FL 32401.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Bay County TPO 2050 LRTP Steering Committee Meeting #7 will be held on October 7, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. Join us in-person at BayWay Conference Room 1010 Cone Ave Panama City, FL 32401.

Microsoft Teams Need help?

Join the meeting now

Meeting ID: 274 249 239 284 8

Passcode: PC75ez7P Dial in by phone

+1(904)747-2252,,779165249# United States, Maxville

Find a local number

Phone conference ID: 779 165 249#

Public input is important to ECRC; we encourage our community members to share their feedback in the way that works best for them. All comments received will be shared with the TPO Board for consideration. For questions or additional information, please contact marketing@ecrc.org.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodations to access meetings and limited English proficiency are available upon request. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or need translation services should contact Marketing & Outreach toll-free at (800)226-8914 or TTY 711 at least 48 hours in advance.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: gary.kramer@ecrc.org

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Para información en español, puede llamar a Marketing al (850)332-7976, ext. 226 o TTY 711. Si necesita acomodaciones especiales, llame con 48 horas de antemano o TTY 711. Participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who believe they have experienced

discrimination may file a complaint with the Title VI Coordinator, (850)332-7976, ext. 203.

Marketing and Outreach toll-free at (800)226-8914 or TTY 711, or by emailing marketing@ecrc.org. Para informacion en espanol, puede llamar a Ada Clark al (850)332-7976, ext. 278 o TTY 711. Si necesita acomodaciones especiales, por favor llame 48 horas de antemanos. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

#### WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

Southwest Florida Water Management District

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

40D-8.624 Guidance and Minimum Levels for Lakes

The Southwest Florida Water Management District announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: October 15, 2025, 3:00 p.m.; October 22, 2025, 2:00 p.m.; November 12, 2025, 2:00 p.m.

PLACES: Microsoft Teams or Teleconference

October 15th Meeting: Call-in number: (786)749-6127, Meeting ID: 239-035-536-158-6, Passcode: Tf2bx6iN.

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Microsoft Teams link: https://msteams.link/VDHX

October 22nd Meeting. Call-in number: (786)749-6127,

Meeting ID: 221-379-848-987-2, Passcode: 6Fy94XG9.

Microsoft Teams link: https://msteams.link/VUZH

November 12th Meeting: Call-in number: (786)749-6127,

Meeting ID: 244-673-083-631-5, Passcode: Fu3mZ66j.

Microsoft Teams link: https://msteams.link/SFRE

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The District is conducting an independent peer review of proposed Minimum Levels for Lakes Angelo and Denton in Highlands County. The October 15th meeting will be a kickoff meeting for the peer review panel. The two subsequent meetings will be additional meetings for the independent peer review panel to discuss the panel's work. The peer review panel will use a WebBoard, a website used to allow public access to and participation in communications among the members of the independent peer review panel. The WebBoard will be available at https://swfwmd.discussion.community/categories for public viewing between October 8, 2025, and October 8, 2026, and for public comment between October 13, 2025, and November 19, 2025.

NOTE: One or more members of the District's Governing Board may attend these meetings.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jordan D. Miller, Environmental Scientist, at (352)269-5935 or jordan.miller@swfwmd.state.fl.us. Agendas will also be accessible at https://swfwmd.discussion.community/categories. Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to

participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: SWFWMD Human Resources Office, (352)796-7211, ext. 4706; 1(800)423-1476 (FL only), ext. 4706 or email to ADACoordinator@swfwmd.state.fl.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Jordan Miller at (352)269-5935 or jordan.miller@swfwmd.state.fl.us.

#### DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Mental Health Program

The Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboration announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, November 6, 2025, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon,. EST

PLACE: CENTRAL REGION, Virtual via Microsoft Teams Participants must register to receive the calendar event with meeting link. A confirmation email will be sent upon registration:

https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/a3b55f07-e410-4b5b-a387-3d28cab73ad2@f70dba48-b283-4c57-8831-cb411445a94c

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Department of Children and Families, jointly with the Agency for Health Care Administration shall establish Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboratives throughout the state with the goal of improving accessibility, availability, and quality of behavioral health services at a local level in accordance with Chapter 394.90826, F.S.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Diveka Anderson, Department of Children and Families, (321)795-8740, Diveka. Anderson@myflfamilies.com or on the Regional Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboration website https://www.myflfamilies.com/rbhic

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: Regional Collaboration Coordinator, Diveka Anderson, Department of Children and Families, Diveka.Anderson@myflfamilies.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Regional Collaboration Coordinator, Diveka Anderson, Department of Children and Families, Diveka. Anderson@myflfamilies.com

#### DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Mental Health Program

The Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboration announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, November 12, 2025, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., EST

PLACE: SOUTHEAST REGION, virtual via Microsoft Teams; Participants must register to receive the calendar event with meeting link. A confirmation email will be sent upon registration:

https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/750bca0e-bffe-4e52-b302-c66aa7566ae1@f70dba48-b283-4c57-8831cb411445a94c

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Department of Children and Families, jointly with the Agency for Health Care Administration shall establish Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboratives throughout the state with the goal of improving accessibility, availability, and quality of behavioral health services at a local level in accordance with Chapter 394.90826, F.S.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: A copy of the meeting agenda may be obtained by contacting Laurinda "Lala" Andujar, Dept. of Children and Families, at (954)498-4417, Laurinda. Andujar@myflfamilies.com or on the Regional Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboration website https://www.myflfamilies.com/rbhic.

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: Laurinda "Lala" Andujar, Dept. of Children and Families, at Laurinda.Andujar@myflfamilies.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Laurinda "Lala" Andujar, Dept. of Children and Families, at Laurinda.Andujar@myflfamilies.com.

## DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES Mental Health Program

The Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboration announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, November 18, 2025, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, CST

PLACE: NORTHWEST REGION, Virtual via Microsoft Teams

Participants must register to receive the calendar event with meeting link. A confirmation email will be sent upon registration

https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/ef82b54e-94b4-

47f1-95e7-38992667dcaf@f70dba48-b283-4c57-8831-cb411445a94c

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Department of Children and Families, jointly with the Agency for Health Care Administration shall establish Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboratives throughout the state with the goal of improving accessibility, availability, and quality of behavioral health services at a local level in accordance with Chapter 394.90826, F.S.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: April Busby, Dept. of Children and Families, (850)510-1252, April.Busby@myflfamilies.com or on the Regional Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboration website https://www.myflfamilies.com/rbhic

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: April Busby, Dept. of Children and Families, April.Busby@myflfamilies.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice). For more information, you may contact: April Busby, Dept. of Children and Families, April.Busby@myflfamilies.com.

#### DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Mental Health Program

The Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboration announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, November 20, 2025, 11:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m., EST

PLACE: NORTHEAST REGION, Virtual via Microsoft Teams

Participants must register to receive the calendar event with meeting link. A confirmation email will be sent upon registration:

https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/a7f638bc-7702-4143-94a1-b84c4ca97a3e@f70dba48-b283-4c57-8831-cb411445a94c

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Department of Children and Families, jointly with the Agency for Health Care Administration shall establish Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboratives throughout the state with the goal of improving accessibility, availability, and quality of behavioral health services at a local level in accordance with Chapter 394.90826, F.S.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Harlee James, Dept. of Children and Families, (904)710-9532 or Harlee.James@myflfamilies.com or on the Regional Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboration website https://www.myflfamilies.com/rbhic

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: Harlee James, Dept. of Children and Families, Harlee.James@myflfamilies.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice). For more information, you may contact: Harlee James, Dept. of Children and Families, Harlee.James@myflfamilies.com

#### DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Mental Health Program

The Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboration announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, November 4, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, EST

PLACE: SunCoast Region, Virtual via Microsoft Teams
Participants must register to receive the calendar event with
meeting link. A confirmation email will be sent upon
registration:

https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/e3771419-113e-4c8b-9edd-7cfca6ec83e3@f70dba48-b283-4c57-8831-cb411445a94c

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Department of Children and Families, jointly with the Agency for Health Care Administration shall establish Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboratives throughout the state with the goal of improving accessibility, availability, and quality of behavioral health services at a local level in accordance with Chapter 394.90826, F.S.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Erinn Izykowski, Department of Children and Families, Erinn.Izykowski@myflfamilies.com or on the Regional Behavioral Health Interagency Collaboration website https://www.myflfamilies.com/rbhic

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: Erinn Izykowski, Department of Children and Families, Erinn.Izykowski@myflfamilies.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Erinn Izykowski, Department of Children and Families, Erinn.Izykowski@myflfamilies.com.

FLORIDA GAMING CONTROL COMMISSION RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

75-4.004Application for License and Operating Dates

The Florida Gaming Control Commission announces a hearing to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 10, 2025, 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Room 234, Tallahassee, FL

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Proposed Rules 75-4-.004, F.A.C.

This hearing will be held to receive public comments or questions regarding the proposed rule published in the August 27 edition of the Florida Administrative Register.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Renee Harkins, Chief Attorney, at Renee.Harkins@flgaming.gov or (850)794-8074, or by visiting www.flgaming.gov/meetings/

## ORANGE COUNTY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

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

DATE AND TIME: October 16, 2025, 10:30 a.m.

PLACE: Central Florida Research Park, 12424 Research Parkway, Suite 100, Orlando, FL 32826

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General Business Meeting

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Joe Wallace, (407)282-3944

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

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares and Mobile Homes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, State of Florida has received the petition for declaratory statement from Siri Properties, LLC/ NHC-FL144, LLC. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of Sections 723.003, 723.003(1), 723.004, 723.011, 723.031, 723.021, 723.059 as it applies to the petitioner.

Petitioner asks whether a mobile park owners' use of a "limited license agreement" may avoid the statutory protections afforded to mobile homeowners under Chapter 723, Florida Statutes.

DBPR Case No. 2025-065326.

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Division Clerk, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1030.

Please refer all comments to: Zaynab Salman, Deputy Chief, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1030. Email: zaynab.salman@myfloridalicense.com.

## DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Florida Real Estate Commission

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Florida Real Estate Commission has received the petition for declaratory statement from Steven Ritters, filed on September 25, 2025. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of Section 475.25(1)(b), Florida Statutes and Section 475.278, Florida Statutes as it applies to the petitioner.

Petitioner asks the Commission, "Does a Florida real estate licensee comply with Chapter 475, Florida Statutes, and Rule 61J2, F.A.C., by accepting a builder referral fee disclosed orally and by email to the buyer, where no written acknowledgment was obtained from the buyer, and where the fee is paid solely from the builder's commission without increasing the buyer's cost?" Except for good cause shown, motions for leave to intervene must be filed within 21 days after the publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Giuvanna Corona, Executive Director, Florida Real Estate Commission, 400 W. Robinson Street, #N801, Orlando, FL 32801, Giuvanna.Corona@myfloridalicense.com

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

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

#### **NONE**

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

#### **NONE**

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

#### **NONE**

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

#### **NONE**

## Section XI Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

"RFP 10924 - Public Meetings"

RFP 10924 - The Department is seeking a thirty-two (32)-bed high-risk residential program and a sixty-four (64)-bed maximum-risk residential program for males appropriate for residential placement, who are between the ages of fifteen (15) and twenty-one (21) and need Mental Health Overlay Services (MHOS) and/or Substance Abuse Treatment Overlay Services (SAOS). Program services are to include innovations in delinquency programming and treatment services, as described in Attachment A, Services Sought; Attachment A-1, Health and Nursing Services; Attachment A-2, Integration of FDJJ 10030 (Electronic Health Record [EHR]) Into Residential Contracts; the Career and Technical Education Services Attachment; the Academic Services Attachment; the Mental Health Overlay Services (MHOS) Attachment; and the Substance Abuse Treatment Overlay Services (SAOS) Attachment. The Department shall allow for the flexibility of treatment services, and the flexibility of high and maximum risk beds, based on the Department's needs. The program shall be in a Departmentowned building located at 2855 W. Woodland Ridge Drive, Lecanto, Florida 34461, in Circuit 5 of DJJ's northeast region, or a Respondent-owned/leased building located in the State of Florida. All public meetings for this RFP are advertised on the Vendor Bid System at:

https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A %2F%2Fvendor.myfloridamarketplace.com%2Fsearch%2Fbi ds%2Fdetail%2F13886&data=05%7C02%7CErica.Barnes%4 0fldjj.gov%7C04266d6c5ad54f3ded3308de01b0ef01%7C446f3eb4b3de4f0492ea54497eaca292%7C0%7C0%7C638950056

601051250%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIIYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIIAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIIdUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=n87%2BTLHeqIJW0dbNk%2BeLBg2X1xITPkCgAf%2FyXGSmJGY%3D&reserved=0

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION FWC 25/26-14C North Brevard Waterway Marker Project

BID NO: FWC 25/26-14C

BID NAME: North Brevard Waterway Marker Project PROJECT LOCATION: NORTH BREVARD COUNTY,

**FLORIDA** 

The intent of this Invitation to Bid (ITB) is to obtain competitive pricing for a contractor to repair, install, remove, or replace a total of 225 regulatory waterway markers to post manatee protection zones per the plans and specifications within North Brevard County, Florida in accordance with the documents and Chapter 255 of the Florida Statutes.

To review the bid details for FWC 25/26-14C

Visit https://vendor.myfloridamarketplace.com/search/bids to view a list of FWC's formal solicitations and agency decisions. Choose the FWC 25/26-14C solicitation link to view the advertisement details.

From the Advertisement Details page, you can download the PDF bid file for your reference.

NOTE: The Vendor Information Portal (link provided above) is the posting location for all new and changing information regarding this solicitation. Interested bidders should continue to monitor this site for the entirety of the solicitation process.

DIRECT ALL QUESTIONS TO THE PROCUREMENT MANAGER: Joshua Stringer, Procurement Manager, Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission, Tallahassee Purchasing Office, 1875 Orange Avenue East, Tallahassee, Florida 32311-6160, Phone: (850)617-9617, Email: Joshua.Stringer@myfwc.com.

## 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., Friday, September 26, 2025, and 3:00 p.m., Thursday, October 2, 2025.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
5A-16.003	10/2/2025	10/22/2025
34-8.001	9/26/2025	1/1/2026
34-8.002	9/26/2025	1/1/2026

34-8.008	9/26/2025	1/1/2026		
34-8.009	9/26/2025	1/1/2026		
34-8.202	9/26/2025	1/1/2026		
34-8.208	9/26/2025	1/1/2026		
34-8.209	9/26/2025	1/1/2026		
62-304.505	9/26/2025	10/16/2025		
64B33-2.0012	9/26/2025	10/16/2025		
64WER25-2	10/1/2025	10/1/2025		
64WER25-3	10/1/2025	10/1/2025		
65A-1.602	9/30/2025	10/20/2025		
65C-16.005	9/26/2025	10/16/2025		
65C-28.009	9/29/2025	10/19/2025		
65C-41.002	9/29/2025	10/19/2025		
65C-41.003	9/29/2025	10/19/2025		
65C-41.0031	9/29/2025	10/19/2025		
65C-41.005	9/29/2025	10/19/2025		
65C-41.006	9/29/2025	10/19/2025		
65C-42.001	9/29/2025	10/19/2025		
65C-42.002	9/29/2025	10/19/2025		
65C-42.003	9/29/2025	10/19/2025		
65C-42.004	9/29/2025	10/19/2025		
65D-30.002	9/26/2025	10/16/2025		
65D-30.0035	9/26/2025	10/16/2025		
65D-30.0036	9/26/2025	10/16/2025		
65D-30.004	9/26/2025	10/16/2025		
65D-30.0142	9/26/2025	10/16/2025		
65E-5.1703	9/26/2025	10/16/2025		
65E-5.260	9/26/2025	10/16/2025		
65E-5.603	9/30/2025	10/20/2025		
68A-27.0021	10/2/2025	10/22/2025		
68A-27.003	10/2/2025	10/22/2025		
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#### LIST OF RULES AWAITING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL SECTIONS 120.541(3), 373.139(7) AND/OR 373.1391(6), FLORIDA STATUTES

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

#### EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Division of Emergency Management

2025-26 Annual Regulatory Plan

## NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF AGENCY REGULATORY PLAN

Pursuant to Section 120.74(2)(a)3., Florida Statutes, notice is hereby given that the Agency's Annual Regulatory Plan, effective October 1, 2025, is available at the following web address:

https://www.floridadisaster.org/globalassets/dem/director/lega 1/2025-26-annual-regulatory-plan-signed.pdf

## AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION Certificate of Need

### NOTICE OF FIXED NEED POOLS FOR COMMUNITY NURSING HOME BEDS

The Agency for Health Care Administration has projected a fixed bed need pool for community nursing home beds for July 2028 pursuant to the provisions of Section 408.034(5), Florida Statutes and Rules 59C-1.008 and 59C-1.036, F.A.C. Net bed need projections for community nursing home beds have been adjusted according to occupancy rate thresholds as prescribed by the above-mentioned rules. Letters of intent to apply for Certificates of Need pursuant to this notice must be filed with the Certificate of Need Program Office, 2727 Mahan Drive, Building 2, Room C-1, MS 28, Tallahassee, Florida, 32308, on or before 5 pm, October 20, 2025.

Any person who identifies an error in the fixed need pool numbers must advise the agency of the error within ten (10) days of publication of the number. If the agency concurs with the error, the fixed need pool number will be adjusted and republished in the first available edition of the Florida Administrative Register. Failure to notify the agency of the error during this ten day time period will result in no adjustment to the fixed need pool number for this cycle and a waiver of the person's right to raise the error at subsequent proceedings. Any other adjustments will be made in the first cycle subsequent to identification of the error including those errors identified through administrative hearings or final judicial review.

Any person whose substantial interest is affected by this action and who timely advised the agency of an error in the action has a right to request an administrative hearing pursuant to Section 120.57, Florida Statutes. In order to request a proceeding under Section 120.57, Florida Statutes, a request for an administrative hearing must state with specificity which issues of material fact or law are in dispute. All requests for hearings shall be made to the Agency for Health Care Administration and must be filed with the agency clerk at 2727 Mahan Drive, Building 3, Room 3431, MS 3, Tallahassee, Florida 32308. All requests for hearings must be filed with the agency clerk within 21 days of this publication or the right to a hearing is waived.

#### Community Nursing Home Bed Need

Bed Need

#### District 1

Subdistrict 1 94

Subdistrict 2 0

Subdistrict 3 0

#### District 2

Subdistrict 1 0

Subdistrict 2 0

Subdistrict 3 0

Subdistrict 4 7

Subdistrict 5 0

#### District 3

Subdistrict 1 28

Subdistrict 2 18

Subdistrict 3 0

Subdistrict 4 13

Subdistrict 5 0

Subdistrict 6 46

Subdistrict 7 0

#### District 4

Subdistrict 1 0

Subdistrict 2 8

Subdistrict 3 4

Subdistrict 4 0

#### District 5

Subdistrict 1 0

Subdistrict 2 0

#### District 6

Subdistrict 1 34

Subdistrict 2 52

Subdistrict 3 2

Subdistrict 4 0

Subdistrict 5 6

#### District 7

Subdistrict 1 0

Subdistrict 2 0

Subdistrict 3 14

Subdistrict 4 36

#### District 8

Subdistrict 1 40

Subdistrict 2 8

Subdistrict 3 0

Subdistrict 4 0

Subdistrict 5 0

Subdistrict 6 0

#### District 9

Subdistrict 1 30

Subdistrict 2 0

Subdistrict 3 0

Subdistrict 4 0

Subdistrict 5 0

District 10 0

District 11

Subdistrict 1 0

Subdistrict 2 0

Total Statewide 440

### AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION Medicaid

Notice of Publication of 2025-2026 Regulatory Plan NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 1, 2025, the Agency for Health Care Administration published its 2025-2026 Regulatory Plan in accordance with Section 120.74, F.S. The Regulatory Plan is available on the Agency's website at https://ahca.myflorida.com/agency-administration/office-of-the-general-counsel.

#### DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Commission on Human Relations

Notice of Publication of Agency Regulatory Plan FLORIDA COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS

2025-2026 Annual Regulatory Plan

Pursuant to subsection 120.74(2)(a)3., Florida Statutes, notice is hereby given that on October 1, 2025, the Florida Commission on Human Relations published its Annual Regulatory Plan for 2025-2026 on its website.

The Regulatory Plan is available at: https://fchr.myflorida.com/regulatory-plans

### DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Notice of Publication of Annual Regulatory Plan

Pursuant to 120.74(2), F.S., the Department of Business and Professional Regulation published the Department's 2025-2026 Annual Regulatory Plan on October 2, 2025, at the following web address: http://www.myfloridalicense.com/DBPR/about-us/annual-regulatory-plans/

## FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)

The Florida Housing Finance Corporation ("Florida Housing") announces the availability of funds for the Homeownership Pool (HOP) Program.

It is anticipated that approximately \$1,000,000 in funding will be made available to eligible homebuyers under this program. Funding will be awarded in accordance with Rule Chapter 67-57, F.A.C.

The following set-asides will apply:

\$500,000 Self-Help Housing

\$500,000 Non-Participating Jurisdictions (PJs)

Funding will be made available under these set-asides, in the order listed above as applicable, in the form of reservations for

eligible homebuyers on a first-come, first-served basis. Any unreserved funds from any of the HOP set-asides may be reallocated as necessary.

For more information on the HOP Program, including Rule Chapter 67-57, F.A.C., please access Florida Housing's website at https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/homebuyer-loan-program-wizards/homeownership-pool-(hop)-program or contact Nicole Gibson at (850)488-4197 or Nicole.Gibson@floridahousing.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).

#### FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

Notice of Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's 2025-2026 Annual Regulatory Plan

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's 2025-2026 Annual Regulatory Plan was published on October 1, 2025, and is available at: https://myfwc.com/about/insidefwc/legislative-affairs/

#### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Office of Financial Regulation

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF 2025-26 AGENCY REGULATORY PLAN

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to subsection 120.74(2), Florida Statutes (2025), the OFFICE OF FINANCIAL REGULATION has published its 2025-26 Regulatory Plan, which is directly accessible at https://www.flofr.gov/sitePages/AnnualRegulatoryPlan.htm.

#### **BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

Florida Board of Governors, State University System 2025-2026 Regulatory Plan

Pursuant to section 120.74(2)(a)3., Florida Statutes, notice is hereby given that the State University System of Florida, Board of Governors' Regulatory Plan was published on October 1, 2025, and is available at the following web address:

https://www.flbog.edu/regulations/regulatory-plans/.

## Section XIII Index to Rules Filed During Preceding Week

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