

Section I

Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

61A-8.001 Safety Standards

61A-8.002 Training Curriculum

61A-8.003 Enforcement

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: 61A-8.001 The provisions of this new proposed rule are intended to prevent violent crimes and thereby protect employees and the consumer public at late-night convenience businesses; and for security standards for late-night convenience businesses to be uniform throughout this state.

61A-8.002 The new rule is proposed to provide a robbery deterrence and safety training framework for businesses covered by the Convenience Business Security Act.

61A-8.003 The proposed new rule is to provide for the handling of violations of the Convenience Business Security Act.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: 61A-8.001 This proposed new rule is designed to provide safety and security requirements for convenience stores, pursuant to the Convenience Business Security Act as set forth in section 812.1701, Florida Statutes, et seq.

61A-8.002 This proposed new rule describes the training curriculum for robbery deterrence and safety training that each convenience business must provide to its employees, in accordance with section 812.174, Florida Statutes.

61A-8.003 The new rule is proposed to provide for enforcement of the Convenience Business Security Act via notices of violation and as appropriate, the imposition of civil fines.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 812.173, F.S., 812.174, F.S., 812.176, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 812.173, F.S., 812.174, F.S., 812.175, F.S.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Jaxon Lear, Deputy Chief Attorney, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, (850)717-1922, Jaxon.Lear@myfloridalicense.com.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

61A-8.001 Safety Standards.

(1) Each convenience business shall be equipped with security devices and standards that meet or exceed the provisions in Section 812.173, F.S and Chapter 61A-8, F.A.C., including:

(a) A security camera system capable of recording video images in a format that can be enlarged and reproduced for distribution by law enforcement agencies to assist in their investigation. The security camera system shall be:

1. Positioned to provide photographic coverage of all registers in order to capture the image of all offenders while minimizing tampering by customers or offenders;

2. Maintained on a routine basis to ensure that the security camera system is working properly at all times; and

3. Capable of continuous operation.

(b) A drop safe or cash management device must be installed or secured as specified by the manufacturer's instructions. The drop safe or cash management device must:

1. Be maintained as specified by the manufacturer; and

2. Offer protection against forced entry and provide a means for depositing currency, checks, and coins directly into the body of the drop safe or cash management device.

(c) Conspicuous height markers with digits at least one inch in height must be present at the inside entrance of the convenience business.

(d) A written cash management policy must be kept at the convenience business and provide:

1. Guidelines for deposits, which shall be made on a regular basis and at variable intervals to minimize offender activity resulting from scheduled deposits or procedures for deposits picked up by an armored car service; and,

2. A recommendation that the employees continually drop all cash in excess of \$50 per register in the drop safe or cash management device after 11:00 p.m. and before 5:00 a.m.

(2) Pursuant to Section 812.173(3), F.S., a convenience business may apply for an exemption from the requirement that the convenience business be equipped with a silent alarm to law enforcement or a private security agency. The application for exemption must be on Form DBPR ABT-6081 Convenience Business Request/Approval Form, effective September 2025 and incorporated herein. Form DBPR ABT-6081 is available upon request from the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco and at <https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18620>.

When a convenience business applies for an exemption from the requirement of having a silent alarm, the exemption form must be accompanied with payment of a \$25

administrative fee for each store for which an exemption would apply. The Division shall consider the following factors when deciding to approve or deny an application for exemption:

(a) Explanation of an alternative method to alert local law enforcement or a private security agency of an ongoing crime;

(b) The history of crimes, or lack thereof, committed at the convenience business; and

(c) Past and current compliance with the Convenience Business Security Act.

(3) Pursuant to Section 812.173(5), F.S., a convenience business that is required to implement the enhanced security measures, as provided within section 812.173(4), F.S., may file a Notice of Exemption with the Division by submitting Form DBPR ABT-6081 as described in subsection (2) above. A Notice of Exemption filed pursuant to this subsection is deemed filed on the date of receipt by the Division. The Division shall notify a convenience business that it does not qualify for an exemption, in writing. Each convenience business' notice of exemption shall include, at a minimum:

(a) The name, address, and license number of the convenience business;

(b) The date of last adjudicated murder, robbery, sexual battery, aggravated assault, aggravated battery, or kidnapping or false imprisonment at the convenience business;

(c) A list of security measures, as set forth in Section 812.173(4)(a)-(e), F.S., that the security business implemented;

(d) The date which the security measure(s) described within subsection (1) of this rule were implemented; and,

(e) A signed attestation from a representative of the convenience business attesting to all information required in subsection (3) of this rule.

Rulemaking Authority 812.173, 812.176 FS. Law Implemented 812.173 FS. History – New

61A-8.002 Training Curriculum.

(1) Each convenience business shall provide robbery deterrence and safety training to its employees, in accordance with Section 812.174, F.S.

(2) The training curriculum must include, at a minimum, the following topics:

(a) Robbery prevention strategies:

1. Understanding convenience business security policies;

2. Maintaining visibility to ensure safety;

3. Understanding the convenience businesses cash management system; and

4. Security measures and devices.

(b) Robbery reaction strategies:

1. Robbery reaction; and

2. Robber identification.

(c) Post robbery procedures and strategies.

(d) Personal safety;

1. General crime precautions;

2. Strategies to prevent rape, sexual assault, and other violent crime; and

3. Actions to take following a crime.

(3) The proposed training curriculum shall be submitted to the Division of Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco, Department of Business and Professional Regulation by submitting Form DBPR ABT-6081 Convenience Business Request/Approval Form, effective September 2025, incorporated within Rule 61A-8.001, F.A.C., accompanied by payment of a \$100 administrative fee for each store for which the proposed curriculum would apply. The proposed curriculum shall thereafter be submitted to the Division on a biennial basis, every two years from the date of the initial approval, accompanied by payment of a \$100 administrative fee, pursuant to Section 812.174, F.S.

Rulemaking Authority 812.174, 812.176 FS. Law Implemented 812.174 FS. History – New

61A-8.003 Enforcement.

(1) The Division shall notify a convenience business of its violation of the Convenience Business Security Act by providing a Notice of Violation, which shall include the specific statutes and administrative rules that the convenience business violated. The convenience business shall have 30 days after receipt of the notice to provide proof of compliance to the Division.

(2) If a violation set forth within the Notice of Violation is not corrected within 30 days of delivery of said Notice, a civil fine shall be imposed in the amount of \$750 to \$5,000 for each of the following violations of the Convenience Business Security Act:

(a) Failure to Equip with Required Security Devices and Standards:

1. 1st Offense: \$750

2. Repeat Offense: \$2000

(b) Window Tint (which reduces normal line of sight):

1. 1st Offense: \$750

2. Repeat Offense: \$2000

(c) Failure to Equip with Silent Alarm:

1. 1st Offense: \$3000

2. Repeat Offense: \$5000

(d) Failure to Notify of the Occurrence of a Qualifying Crime:

1. 1st Offense: \$3000

2. Repeat Offense: \$5000

(e) Failure to Implement Enhanced Security Measures After Qualifying Crime:

1. 1st Offense: \$1000

2. Repeat Offense: \$5000

(f) Failure to Provide Robbery Deterrence and Safety Training to New Employees within 60 Days of Employment:

1. 1st Offense: \$750

2. Repeat Offense: \$2000

(g) Failure to Biennially Submit Proposed Robbery Deterrence and Safety Training Circiculum to the Division:

1. 1st Offense: \$750

2. Repeat Offense: \$2000

(3) The penalties for repetitive unlawful conduct shall be based on the same violations occurring within 60 months of the date of the Notice of Violation.

(4) The range of penalties set forth within section (2) for violations of the Convenience Business Security Act may be increased or decreased based on consideration of the following aggravating and mitigating factors:

(a) Whether a crime was committed at the convenience business while the convenience business was out of compliance with the Convenience Business Security Act.

(b) The type of crimes that were committed at the convenience business while the convenience business was out of compliance with the Convenience Business Security Act, including whether the crime was a murder, robbery, sexual battery, aggravated assault, aggravated battery, kidnapping, or false imprisonment.

(c) The number of crimes committed at the convenience business during the preceding five years.

(d) The type of crimes that were committed at the convenience business during the preceding five years, including whether the crime was a murder, robbery, sexual battery, aggravated assault, aggravated battery, kidnapping, or false imprisonment.

(e) The number of times that the convenience business violated the Convenience Business Security Act.

(f) The deterrent effect of the penalty imposed.

(g) The effect of the penalty upon the livelihood of the owner of the convenience business.

(h) Any efforts to comply with the requirements of the Convenience Business Security Act before and after the violation.

Rulemaking Authority 812.176 FS. Law Implemented 812.175 FS. History – New

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Marine Fisheries

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

68B-37.001 Designation as Restricted Species; Purpose and Intent

68B-37.002 Definitions

68B-37.003 Size Limits for Recreational and Commercial Harvest; Whole Condition Requirement

68B-37.004 Regional Recreational Bag Limits; Bag Limit for Captain and Crew on For-hire Trips; Commercial Bag, Vessel, and Landing Limits

68B-37.005 Seasons

68B-37.006 Allowed and Prohibited Gear and Method of Harvest; Restriction on Simultaneous Possession of Spotted Seatrout and Certain Types of Gear

68B-37.007 Purchase and Sale Prohibitions

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this rulemaking is to develop a new holistic management approach for spotted seatrout that incorporates multiple metrics to evaluate the fishery on a smaller regional scale and tailor management strategies to local concerns and needs. The effect of this rulemaking would create additional regions that would allow for local conditions to be taken into consideration in setting recreational and commercial bag limits, size limits, seasons, and other harvest regulations.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Subject areas addressed in the rule development notice include species designation, definitions, size and bag limits for both recreational and commercial fisheries, recreational and commercial seasons, allowed and prohibited gear types, and purchase and sale prohibitions.

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

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Florida Constitution.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Jessica McCawley, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries Management, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 S. Meridian St., Tallahassee, Florida 32399, (850)487-0554, and Jessica.McCawley@MyFWC.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 EDUCATION

State Board of Education

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6A-3.003 Certification as to Specifications of School Buses

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To update references to the Florida School Bus Specifications, effective January 1, 2026, and to the National School Transportation Specifications and Procedures, May 2025 edition. Periodic updates to this rule are necessary to ensure school bus specifications reflect the latest technologies associated with school buses, including electric school bus technologies.

SUMMARY: This amendment will update references in this rule to the latest edition of the Florida School Bus Specifications, effective January 1, 2026, and to the latest edition of the National School Transportation Specifications and Procedures, May 2025.

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

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 316.173(17), (18), 1001.02(1), 1006.25(2), (4), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 316.003, 316.173, 1006.25, F.S.

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

DATE AND TIME: November 13, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Wakulla County School District, 69 Arran Rd, Crawfordville, FL 32327.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Suzanne Pridgeon, Deputy Commissioner, Finance and Operations, (850)245-0406 or Suzanne.Pridgeon@fldoe.org.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

6A-3.003 Certification as to Specifications of School Buses.

(1) Before any manufacturer, distributor or dealer may offer for sale or lease any school bus chassis or bodies to be used for the transportation of students to public schools of Florida, such manufacturer, distributor or dealer shall:

(a) File with the Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Operations a certified statement that any school bus chassis or body sold by such manufacturer, distributor or dealer will meet the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards required by section 1006.25(2), F.S., the National School Transportation Specifications & Procedures, May ~~2025~~²⁰¹⁵ (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-1885844172>), and the Florida School Bus Specifications, effective January ~~1, 2026~~²⁰²³ (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-1885944905>), all of which are incorporated herein by reference. For information on obtaining copies of the National School Transportation Specifications & Procedures, May ~~2025~~²⁰¹⁵ or the Florida School Bus Specifications, January ~~1, 2026~~²⁰²³, contact the Director of School Transportation Management, Florida Department of Education, Suite 834, 325 W. Gaines St., Tallahassee, FL 32399.

(b) No change.

(2) No change.

(3) Insofar as practicable, the Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Operations or his/her authorized representative shall make periodic ~~inspections~~^{inspection} of school bus chassis and bodies delivered to school boards for the purpose of determining if the standards referenced in paragraph (1)(a) of this rule have been met. Should it be determined that any chassis or body delivered to a school board does not meet these standards, including equipment specified, the manufacturer, distributor or dealer shall make satisfactory corrections as prescribed by the Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Operations or authorized representative. The Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Operations and the district receiving such equipment shall refuse further approval of bids submitted by the manufacturer, distributor, ~~and~~ dealer or representative until satisfactory corrections are made.

(4) through (6) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 316.173(17), (18), 1001.02(1), 1006.25(2), (4) FS. Law Implemented 316.003, 316.173, 1006.25 FS. History—New 7-20-74, Repromulgated 12-5-74, Formerly 6A-3.03, Amended 11-15-94, 8-20-17, 10-24-19, 11-23-22, 11-21-23.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Suzanne Pridgeon
NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE
PROPOSED RULE: Anastasios Kamoutsas
DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY
HEAD: October 20, 2025
DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT
PUBLISHED IN FAR: October 10, 2025

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Board of Education

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6A-3.0141 Employment of School Bus Operators

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To amend driver license requirements to allow non-CDL licensed drivers to operate certain small school buses and multifunction school activity buses (MFSAB).

SUMMARY: This amendment will allow class E driver's license holders to operate certain small school buses and MFSABs that have a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) under 26,001 pounds and a seating capacity of 15 persons or fewer, including the driver.

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 adverse impact or regulatory cost, if any, does not exceed, nor would it be expected to exceed, any one of the economic analysis criteria set forth in section 120.541(2)(a), F.S. and will not require legislative ratification.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 316.615(3), 1001.02(1), 1006.22, 1012.45, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 316.615, 1006.22, 1012.32(2)(a), 1012.45, F.S.

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

DATE AND TIME: November 13, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Wakulla County School District, 69 Arran Rd, Crawfordville, FL 32327.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Suzanne Pridgeon, Deputy Commissioner, Finance and Operations, (850)245-0406 or Suzanne.Pridgeon@fldoe.org.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

6A-3.0141 Employment of School Bus Operators.

(1)(a) School bus operators are defined as any persons employed or contracted ~~by~~ to the school district to transport prekindergarten through grade 12 students in school buses as defined in Section 1006.25, F.S., or any vehicle with a seating capacity of 11 or more including the driver.

(b) Alternate vehicle operators are defined as any persons employed or contracted by the school district to transport prekindergarten through grade 12 students in vehicles that are not defined as school buses with a seating capacity of 10 or fewer, including the driver, as described in paragraph 6A-3.0171(1)(c), F.A.C.

(2) At the time of initial employment, the school board shall ~~ensure~~ assure that the operator of a school bus meets the following requirements:

(a) Have ~~Has~~ five (5) years of licensed driving experience.

(b) Have ~~Has~~ submitted to the superintendent or designee a written application for employment in a form prescribed by the school board (Does not apply to contracted transportation providers).

(c) Have ~~Has~~ filed a set of fingerprints for the purpose of the required background check for determining criminal record.

(3) Prior to transporting students on a school bus, each operator employed or contracted by the district shall meet the following requirements:

(a) Hold a valid driver's license for the respective weight class of the bus that will be operated. A Class E driver's license without endorsements is required for school buses and multifunction school activity buses (MFSABs) with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) of 26,000 pounds or less with a seating capacity of 15 or fewer, including the driver. A Class B commercial driver's ~~driver~~ license (CDL) with a passenger endorsement and a school bus endorsement is required for school buses and MFSABs with a GVWR of 26,001 pounds or more and/or a seating capacity of 16 or more, including the driver.

(b) Complete ~~Successfully complete~~ forty (40) hours of preservice training, which must include certified cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and first aid training and must consist of at least twenty (20) hours of classroom instruction and eight (8) hours of behind-the-wheel training. The classroom instruction and behind-the-wheel training shall

be based upon the Department's Basic School Bus Operator Curriculum, Revised 2021 (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13735>), which is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule. This document may be obtained from the School Transportation Management Section, Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, at a cost not to exceed actual production and distribution costs.

(c) through (e) No change.

(4) No change.

(5) Driver history records shall be requested in a manner prescribed by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles using the agency's Motor Vehicle Operator Tracking and Reporting System (MOTRS). All school districts shall obtain and review records for school bus operators using MOTRS. For any operator licensed in another state, the district shall obtain and review the driver's history record from the appropriate state on a weekly basis.

(6) Each school district shall establish a school board policy that specifies which infractions of the traffic code deem an applicant unqualified for employment and which causes any employee to be subject to a prescribed follow-up action. At a minimum, this policy shall state that any district that transports students, school bus operator or contracted operator who should have known that his or her license has expired or has been suspended or revoked shall be subject to prescribed disciplinary measures up to and including dismissal or termination of their contract by the school board.

(7) At least annually, the school district shall ensure ~~assure~~ that the operator of a school bus meets the following requirements:

(a) through (c) No change.

(8) At the time of reemployment, the school board shall ensure ~~assure~~ that each school bus operator meets all of the requirements of subsection (2) and paragraphs (3)(a) and (d) of this rule. If not more than a twelve continuous calendar month break in service has occurred, an operator shall be required to complete eight (8) hours of in-service ~~inservice~~ training related to their responsibilities for transporting students prior to driving a school bus with students. If a period exceeding twelve (12) calendar months has occurred, the operator shall be required to successfully complete all of the requirements of subsections (2) through (6) of this rule.

(9) through (10) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 316.615(3), 1001.02(1), 1006.22, 1012.45 FS. Law Implemented 316.615, 1006.22, 1012.32(2)(a), 1012.45 FS. History—New 8-1-86, Amended 7-5-89, 11-15-94, 4-18-96, 6-24-03, 11-26-06, 4-25-07, 3-23-16, 11-29-16, 8-20-19, 11-23-21.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Suzanne Pridgeon

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

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: October 20, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: October 10, 2025

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Board of Education

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6A-3.0171 Responsibilities of School Districts for Student Transportation

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To update the Florida School Bus Safety Inspection Manual and relevant forms and to clarify which vehicles may be used for student transportation.

SUMMARY: This amendment will update the 2020 edition of the Florida School Bus Safety Inspection Manual for 2025. New technologies for electric school buses necessitate related changes to inspection criteria and procedures, requiring periodic revisions of this publication to ensure school buses remain safe for student transportation. The frequency of school bus inspections is updated to eliminate redundant inspections and to align with industry standards. School bus inspections will be conducted on a quarterly basis with the maximum interval not to exceed 101 calendar days.

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 scope of the rule is very narrow applying only to school districts in the State. A comparison of the requirements of the 2020 Florida School Bus Safety Inspection Manual to the requirements of the 2025 edition of the Manual indicates that the fiscal impact of the rule revision will be minimal and will not approach \$200,000 per year and will not require legislative ratification.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), 1006.22, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1006.22, F.S.

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

DATE AND TIME: November 13, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Wakulla County School District, 69 Arran Rd, Crawfordville, FL 32327.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Suzanne Pridgeon, Deputy Commissioner, Finance and Operations, (850)245-0406 or Suzanne.Pridgeon@fldoe.org.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

6A-3.0171 Responsibilities of School Districts for Student Transportation.

Each school district shall exercise specific powers and responsibilities, as follows:

(1) Responsibilities of Superintendent. It shall be the duty of the superintendent, acting as executive officer for the school board to exercise functions and to perform duties listed below:

(a) through (d) No change.

(e) To prepare and recommend to the school board plans for the purchase, lease, rental of or contracting of contract for safe school buses and alternate vehicles used to transport students to and from school or school activities and to ensure that vehicles purchased, leased, rented or contracted for student transportation meet the allowable usage indicated in the following chart:-

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(f) No change.

(g) To propose garages at which buses shall be inspected, when arrangements for this service have not been made to use school board employed mechanics, and to see that inspections are systematically made at least once every one hundred and one (101) calendar days ~~thirty (30) school days, while school is in session,~~ at garages approved by the board.

(h) No change.

(2) The school district shall exercise additional specific powers and responsibilities, as follows:

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) To ensure ~~assure~~ that all transportation rules and statements of policy are in harmony with rules of the State Board of Education, and are fully observed.

(d) To ensure ~~assure~~ that no state funds for transportation are used for transportation of students to schools which cannot qualify for recognition by the Department under the provisions of State Board of Education rules.

(e) To adopt, after considering recommendations of the superintendent, a school board policy prohibiting the use of a cellular telephone by any vehicle ~~school bus~~ operator while actively transporting students ~~driving the bus~~.

(f) To adopt, after considering recommendations of the superintendent, a school board policy that prohibits unnecessary idling of school buses while they are in the vicinity of students.

(g) To adopt, after considering recommendations of the superintendent, statements of policy in harmony with law and with rules of the State Board of Education necessary for maintaining the requirements of adequate transportation. Such policies shall include at least the following responsibilities of the director or supervisor of transportation, the school principal or other designated staff and the bus operator for uniform school bus operating procedures:

1. No change.

2. Responsibilities of the school principal or other designated school staff:

a. To assume responsibility under the direction of the superintendent for all student disciplinary cases that ~~which~~ arise in connection with transportation.

b. through f. No change.

3. Responsibilities of the school bus operator:

a. through f. No change.

g. To attend and participate in conferences and training classes for school bus operators and to be prepared at any time to ~~pass~~ successfully pass an ~~a reasonable~~ examination concerning traffic laws, state and local transportation rules and driving skills.

h. through o. No change.

p. To prepare immediately after every accident involving the bus, or a school bus passenger, an accident report to be filed with the director or supervisor of transportation.

q. To ascertain and ensure that all persons are off the bus before filling the fuel tank.

r. No change.

s. To inspect the bus at least daily prior to the beginning of the first daily trip or more often as required by the school district and to report any defect affecting safety or economy of operation immediately and in writing to authorized service personnel. The inspection shall include all items identified in the procedures related to the mandatory daily pre-trip inspection in the Basic School Bus Operator Curriculum.

t. through u. No change.

v. To wear a seat belt and instruct all passengers to wear a seat belt at all times when the bus is in operation, in accordance with sSection 1006.25(4), F.S.

w. To use roof-mounted white flashing strobe lights, at a minimum, whenever headlights are required to be used due to reduced visibility conditions pursuant to s ~~Section~~

316.217(1)(b), F.S., except that insufficient light due only to the time of day or night shall not require use of the strobe light.

x. To report immediately to the director or supervisor of transportation, school principal or other designated officials:

(I) No change.

(II) Complaints requiring the attention of school authorities;

(III) No change.

(IV) Causes for failure to maintain the school bus route ~~time~~ schedule; and,

(V) Overloaded conditions on the bus which exceed the rated seating capacity of the bus.

y. through z. No change.

(3) No change.

(4) Transported students.

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) To suspend for a period not to exceed ten (10) days, upon recommendation of the superintendent, any student who willfully and persistently violates school board policies, in accordance with s. Section 1003.01(5)(a), F.S.

(5) Purchases, lease and use of school buses.

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) To ensure ~~assure~~ that contracts entered into by school boards for operation of school buses and alternate vehicles are in accordance with law and rules of the State Board of Education.

(d) To adopt policies governing the use of publicly owned and contracted school buses and alternate vehicles for transportation of students to school and school activities, and to ascertain and ensure that buses, ~~and~~ bus bodies and alternate vehicles are used only after policies have been adopted and upon written instructions signed by the superintendent or designee. Such district policies shall include the provision that any equipment carried in a school bus or alternate vehicle which could shift on impact or sudden stop shall be securely fastened and shall not block any aisle or exit at any time.

(6) Routes and schedules.

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) To ensure ~~assure~~ that county and city officials are advised of hazards on bus routes and hazards involving students walking to and from school.

(7) School bus operating principles. To ensure ~~assure~~ that all buses are operated in accordance with municipal, county and state traffic requirements and that every precaution is taken to ensure ~~assure~~ the safety of students.

(8) Inspection and maintenance of school buses.

(a) To provide, after considering recommendations of the superintendent, adequate storage, maintenance and inspection procedures for all buses owned by the school board, and to ensure ~~assure~~ that all contract buses and charter school buses in

use in the district are properly inspected and maintained in accordance with law and rules of the State Board of Education.

(b) Inspections of school buses ~~The inspection~~ shall be conducted at an interval not to exceed 101 calendar days between inspections by technicians certified as school bus safety inspectors in accordance with procedures including and include all items described listed in the State of Florida School Bus Safety Inspection Manual, December 2025 2020 Edition (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18874-12218>) and documented on the respective Florida School Bus Safety Inspection Form 2025-BIF or 2025 EBIF or FDOE-approved electronic equivalent as incorporated in the State of Florida School Bus Safety Inspection Manual. (2020-IF)(<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-12215>), effective October 2020. ~~The manual and form 2020 IF are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule. These documents may be obtained from the department's website at: <http://fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/7585/urlt/0085485-floridaschoolbussafetyinspectionmanual-1.pdf>, and may also be obtained from the department's School Transportation Management Section, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, at a cost not to exceed actual production and distribution cost.~~

(c) Alternate vehicles used to transport students shall have signage or lettering on the vehicle's exterior identifying the vehicle as authorized for student transportation. Inspection of buses shall be scheduled and performed at a maximum interval of thirty (30) school days while school is in session. Any bus that is removed from service or deadlined so as to disrupt the safety inspection schedule shall be inspected prior to being returned to service. All deficiencies discovered during the safety inspection shall be noted on the inspection form(2020-IF). Follow up repairs of all safety related items shall be made before the bus is returned to service and shall be documented on an associated repair order.

(d) Any bus that is removed from service or deadlined to disrupt the safety inspection schedule shall be inspected before being returned to service. All safety-related deficiencies discovered during the school bus inspection must be repaired and documented on the respective inspection form, along with an associated repair order, before the bus is returned to service. No person shall knowingly render inoperative or reduce compliance of any school bus required to meet Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards applicable at the time of manufacture. School bus inspections shall be conducted by technicians certified as school bus safety inspectors in accordance with the State of Florida School Bus Safety Inspection Manual, 2020 Edition. The State of Florida School Bus Safety Inspector Application (Form 2020 SI) (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref->

12216), effective October 2020, and the District Online Test Administrator Application (Form 2025 TA) (Form 2020 TA) (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-12217>), effective October 2020, are hereby incorporated by reference and made part of this rule. These documents may be obtained from the Department's website at: <http://fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/7585/urlt/0085485-floridaschoolbussafetyinspectionmanual1.pdf>, and may also be obtained from the department's School Transportation Management Section, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, at a cost not to exceed actual production and distribution cost. The requirement that inspections be performed by a certified Florida School Bus Safety Inspector may be waived for a period not to exceed six (6) months when an emergency condition exists, upon written notification to the Commissioner of Education by the district superintendent.

(e) The State of Florida School Bus Safety Inspection Manual, which includes the School Bus Safety Inspector Application form 2025-SI, District Online Test Administrator Application form 2025-TA, Bus Inspection form 2025-BIF, and Electric Bus Inspection Form 2025-EBIF are made effective December 2025 and hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule. These documents may be obtained from the department's website at <https://www.fldoe.org/schools/healthy-schools/transportation/>. They may also be obtained from the department's School Transportation Management Section, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, at a cost that does not exceed actual production and distribution costs. No person shall knowingly render inoperative or reduce compliance of any school bus equipment required to meet Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards applicable at the time of manufacture.

(f) The requirement that inspections be performed by a certified Florida School Bus Safety Inspector may be waived for a period not to exceed six (6) months when an emergency condition exists, upon written notification to the Commissioner of Education by the district superintendent.

(9) Transportation records, reports and accounting.

(a) No change.

(b) To ~~ensure~~ assure that all records and reports are properly completed and ~~are~~ furnished on the dates due to those designated to receive them.

(c) through (f) No change.

(g) To report bus inventories using the department's Online Bus Inventory Application, which may be accessed at <https://web01.fldoe.org/BusOnlineInventory/Admin/AdminUserMaintenance.aspx> ~~<http://app4.fldoe.org/BusOnlineInventory/Login.aspx>~~. For viewing purposes only, hard copies of the reporting requirements for the Online Bus Inventory Application may be obtained by contacting the Director of School Transportation

~~Management 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.~~

(10) Inter-agency relationships. To cooperate with municipal, county, state, and federal agencies to promote the safety of the transportation service through the correction of remediable road hazards.

Rulemaking Authority 316.615, 1001.02(1), 1002.33(28), 1003.31, 1006.21, 1006.22, 1006.25(4), 1012.45 FS. Law Implemented 316.615, 1002.33(20)(c), 1003.31, 1006.22, 1006.25(4), 1012.45 FS. History—New 9-4-64, Amended 3-25-66, 1-17-72, 7-20-74, Repromulgated 12-5-74, Amended 11-24-76, 10-1-81, Formerly 6A-3.17, Amended 9-30-87, 6-26-89, 11-15-94, 8-28-95, 4-18-96, Formerly 6-3.017, Amended 6-11-00, Formerly 6-3.017, Amended 4-21-03, 11-26-08, 3-23-16, 3-22-17, 10-27-20, 11-23-21.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
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DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: October 20, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: October 10, 2025

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B3-6.001 Manner of Application

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes amendments to implement a new background screening requirement for applicants for licensure that will become effective July 1, 2025, in accordance with Chapter 2024-243, Laws of Florida.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendments incorporate by reference the amended licensure applications implementing §456.0135, the background screening requirement for applicants for licensure effective July 1, 2025, in accordance with Chapter 2024-243, Laws of Florida.

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, 483.805(4), 483.807 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 381.0034(3), 456.013, 456.0135, 456.022, 456.033, 456.0635, 483.807, 483.815, 483.823, 483.824 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, Executive Director, Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin # C07, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3257, (850)488-0595 or by email, Dayle.Mooney@flhealth.gov.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

64B3-6.001 Manner of Application.

(1) Application forms:

(a) All applicants for licensure as a Clinical Laboratory Personnel Director shall apply to the Department on Form #DH-MQA 3008 (Revised 5/2025 10/2020) "Clinical Laboratory Personnel Initial & Upgrade Licensure - Director," <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18570> 42886, which is incorporated by reference herein.

(b) All applicants for licensure as a Clinical Laboratory Personnel Supervisor shall apply to the Department on Form #DH-MQA 3009 (Revised 5/2025 10/2020), "Clinical Laboratory Personnel Initial & Upgrade Licensure - Supervisor," <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18571> 42814, which is incorporated by reference herein.

(c) All applicants for licensure as a Clinical Laboratory Personnel Technologist shall apply to the Department on Form #DH-MQA 3011 (Revised 5/2025 10/2020), "Clinical Laboratory Personnel Initial & Upgrade Licensure - Technologist," <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18573> 42816, which is incorporated by reference herein.

(d) All applicants for licensure as a Clinical Laboratory Personnel Technician shall apply to the Department on Form #DH-MQA 3010 (Revised 5/2025 10/2020), "Clinical Laboratory Initial Licensure - Technician," <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18572> 42815, which is incorporated by reference herein.

(e) Any licensee requesting to add a specialty to his or her current license shall apply to the Department on Form #DH-MQA 3012 (Revised 5/2025 10/2020), "Clinical Laboratory Personnel Licensure - Adding Specialty," <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18574> 42817, which is incorporated by reference herein.

(f) All applicants for licensure by endorsement shall apply to the Department on Form #DH-MQA-5101 (5/2025), "Mobile Opportunity by Interstate Licensure Endorsement (MOBILE)" <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18611>, which is incorporated by reference herein.

(2) through (4) No Change.

Rulemaking Authority 456.013, 456.0635, 483.805(4), 483.807 FS. Law Implemented 381.0034(3), 456.013, 456.0135, 456.022, 456.033, 456.0635, 483.807, 483.815, 483.823, 483.824 FS., History—New 12-29-93, Formerly 61F3-6.001, Amended 5-29-95, 8-1-95, Formerly 59O-6.001, Amended 8-27-97, 9-20-98, 1-5-00, 3-24-02, 4-13-04, 6-17-09, 7-14-10, 6-14-12, 12-24-12, 8-2-15, 9-17-17, 9-4-18, 4-14-21, _____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel
DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 2, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 21, 2025

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Council of Licensed Midwifery

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B24-8.002 Disciplinary Action and Guidelines

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To add a ground and penalty for disciplining a licensed midwife.

SUMMARY: Section 456.072(1)(ss), Florida Statutes, makes being convicted or found guilty of, entering a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, regardless of adjudication, or committing or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit an act that would constitute a violation of any of the offenses listed in s. 456.074(5) or a similar offense in another jurisdiction, grounds for discipline against licensed midwives, which requires rule revision including penalties for violation.

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 the SERC checklist, this rulemaking will not have an adverse impact on regulatory costs in excess of \$1 million within five years as established in s.120.541(2)(a), F.S. Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 456.004(5), 456.072, 456.079, 467.005, 467.203(4), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.072, 456.079, 467.203, F.S.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Stephanie Webster, Executive Director at Stephanie.Webster@flhealth.gov or (850)245-4162.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

64B24-8.002 Disciplinary Action and Guidelines.

(1) No Change

(2) Violations and Range of Penalties. In imposing discipline upon applicants and licensees the department shall act in accordance with guidelines and shall impose a penalty within a range corresponding to the violations set forth in form DH-MQA ~~5110 5015~~, Council of Licensed Midwifery Disciplinary Guidelines October 2024 (10/2024 09/2015), incorporated herein by reference and available at <https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18878> ~~<https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref06546>~~.

(3) through (4) No Change

Rulemaking Authority 456.004(5), 456.072, 456.079, 467.005, 467.203(4) FS. Law Implemented 456.072, 456.079, 467.203 FS. History—New 7-14-94, Formerly 61E8-8.002, 59DD-8.002, Amended 10-3-06, 10-28-10, 3-22-16,_____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Stephanie Webster, Executive Director

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Joseph A. Ladapo, MD, PhD, State Surgeon General

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: September 17, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT
PUBLISHED IN FAR: October 8, 2025

Section III Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Marine Fisheries

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68B-27.006 Allowable Gear; Prohibited Gear; Harvest
Methods

NOTICE OF CORRECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following correction has been made to the proposed rule in Vol. 51 No. 201, October 15, 2025 issue of the Florida Administrative Register.

68B-27.006 Allowable Gear; Prohibited Gear; Harvest Methods.

(1) A person may harvest or attempt to harvest an oyster only by or with the use of the following gear or methods:

(a) No change.

~~(b)~~(b) Tongs.

1. through 5. No change.

(2) through (4) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: December 9, 2025

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 12-9-25.

Section IV Emergency Rules

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

Section V Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61C-4.010 Sanitation and Safety Requirements

The Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants hereby gives notice: On October 2, 2025 the 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 Petition for this variance was published in Vol. 51/193 on October 3, 2025. The Order for this Petition was signed and approved on October 20, 2025. After a complete review of the variance request, the Division finds that the application of this Rule will create a financial hardship to the food service establishment. Furthermore, the Division finds that the Petitioner meets the burden of demonstrating that the underlying statute has been achieved by the Petitioner ensuring that each pan within the steam table is properly covered with an individual lid; the steam table is enclosed within a cabinet with tight-fitting doors, and is protected by an air curtain installed and operated according to the manufacturer's specifications that protects against flying vermin or other environmental contaminants; all steam table foods must be properly reheated for hot holding at approved commissaries and held hot at the proper minimum temperature per the parameters of the currently adopted FDA Food Code; and steam table food is to be dispensed by the operator with no customer self-service. The Petitioner shall also strictly adhere to the operating procedures and copies of the variance and operating procedures are to be present on the MFDV during all periods of operation.

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

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on September 29, 2025, the Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling, received a petition for variance and waiver submitted by Natalie Wiseman, Petitioner. Although Petitioner cited the incorrect rule it appears that Petitioner is seeking a variance and waiver from the requirements of Rule 64B4-31.007, F.A.C. Petitioner requests that the Board retroactively recognize and credit 151 face-to-face counseling hours and 28 supervision hours which Petitioner accumulated and submitted prior to July 1. Petitioner requests that the hours be credited towards her application for licensure as a Mental Health Counselor.

Comments on the petition should be filed with the Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin # C08, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3258, telephone: (850)488-0595, or by electronic mail – Ashleigh.Irving@flhealth.gov, within 14 days of publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Ashleigh Irving, Executive Director, Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling, at the above address.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Division of Consumer Services

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

69J-7.001 My Safe Florida Home Program

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 16, 2025, the Department of Financial Services, received a petition for Waiver from Pamela Wise. Pamela Wise is requesting that the Department of Financial Services grant a Waiver from subsection 69J-7.001(2) of the Florida Administrative Code regarding the Improvement 1.0 – Opening Protection.

Comments on this Petition should be filed with the DFS Agency Clerk via mail at 200 East Gaines Street, 612 Larson Building, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0333; via fax at (850)488-0697; or via email at DFSAgencyClerk@myfloridacfo.com within 14 days of publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: DFS Agency Clerk at any of the contacts above or by telephone at (850)413-4279.

Section VI

Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council

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

DATE AND TIME: November 6, 2025, 9:00 a.m. Board of Directors

PLACE: 40 East Adams Street, Jacksonville, FL 32202.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Regular Meeting & Planning Workshop.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: (904)279-0880.

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: (904)279-0880. If you are hearing or speech

impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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

For more information, you may contact: (904)279-0880.

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

Southwest Florida Water Management District

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

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, November 4, 2025, 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: This is a meeting conducted by means of communications media technology (CMT). Join the meeting via Microsoft Teams from our website calendar at <https://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/about/calendar/public-supply-advisory-committee-11/04/2025>.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Public Supply Advisory Committee meeting: Anyone who wishes to provide public input will be able to do so by joining the meeting via Microsoft Teams. An additional telephone connection is available at (786)749-6127 and entering conference code 766-873-762#. Additional instructions regarding viewing of and participation in the meeting are available at WaterMatters.org or by calling 1(800)423-1476 and requesting assistance.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: WaterMatters.org – Boards, Meetings & Event Calendar; 1(800)423-1476 (FL only) or (352)796-7211

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 Chief at 1(800)423-1476 (FL only) or (352)796-7211; or email to ADACoordinator@WaterMatters.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Barbara.Matrone@WaterMatters.org; 1(800)423-1476 (FL only) or (352)325-5772

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 workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 13, 2025, 5:30 p.m.

PLACE: This meeting will be an internet-based meeting and will take place on Microsoft Teams. Please click on or copy and paste the following link into your browser and follow the instructions provided at the website to register:

<https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/c8c9d293-7ad8-42fe-a7db-fa6891aa03f8@7d508ec0-09f9-4402-8304-3a93bd40a972>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Proposed minimum levels for Lakes Angelo and Denton, in Highlands County, pursuant to Sections 373.042, and 373.0421, F.S.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: T.J. Venning, PWS, Staff Environmental Scientist, at (352)269-5980, or by email at tj.venning@swfwmd.state.fl.us.

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: T.J. Venning, PWS, Staff Environmental Scientist, at (352)269-5980, or by email at tj.venning@swfwmd.state.fl.us.

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Florida Digital Service

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

DATE AND TIME: October 29, 2025, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, ET

PLACE: Virtual

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Cybersecurity Advisory Council Respond Work Group announces its agenda to include cybersecurity reports and recommendations. The public may participate by phone by dialing: United States (toll free) 1(305)224-1968; Phone Conference ID: (274)310-3408.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting:

https://www.dms.myflorida.com/other_programs/cybersecurity_advisory_council

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: amber.tyson@digital.fl.gov or (850)631-2403. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES**Florida Digital Service**

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

DATE AND TIME: October 29, 2025, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., ET

PLACE: Virtual

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Cybersecurity Advisory Council Identify Work Group announces its agenda to include cybersecurity reports and recommendations. The public may participate by phone by dialing; United States (toll free) 1(305)224-1968; Phone Conference ID: (274)310-3408.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting:

https://www.dms.myflorida.com/other_programs/cybersecurity_advisory_council

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: amber.tyson@digital.fl.gov or (850)631-2403. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES**Florida Digital Service**

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

DATE AND TIME: October 30, 2025, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., ET

PLACE: Virtual

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Cybersecurity Advisory Council Govern Work Group announces its agenda to include cybersecurity reports and recommendations. The public may participate by phone by dialing; United States (toll free) 1(305)224-1968; Phone Conference ID: (274)310-3408.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting:

https://www.dms.myflorida.com/other_programs/cybersecurity_advisory_council

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: amber.tyson@digital.fl.gov or (850)631-2403. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION**Board of Accountancy**

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

DATE AND TIME: Friday, November 21, 2025, 8:00 a.m., EST (Probable Cause); 9:00 a.m., EST (Board Meeting)

PLACE: Probable Cause: <https://meet.goto.com/406869765>

Board Meeting: <https://meet.goto.com/810029685>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Probable Cause Panel will meet at 8:00 a.m., EST to conduct hearings on disciplinary matters. These meetings are closed to the public; however, there may be cases where probable cause was previously found which are to be publicly dismissed. The Board will meet at 9:00 a.m. to consider enforcement proceedings including consideration of investigation officers' reports, rules, and other general business. This meeting will also hold elections for the 2026 Board Chair and Vice-Chair.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Kevin Brown, (352)333-2505

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 2 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Kevin Brown. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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

For more information, you may contact: Kevin Brown

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

The Department of Children and Families announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 4, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Children's Board, 1002 E Palm Ave, Tampa, FL 33605 for an in-person only meeting.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Community Alliance Advisory Committee Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Justin Wilkins at communityalliance@cbhcf.fl.gov or (813)204-1762.

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: Justin Wilkins at communityalliance@cbhcfcl.gov or (813)204-1762. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Justin Wilkins at communityalliance@cbhcfcl.gov or (813)204-1762.

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Mental Health Program

The Department of Children and Families, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Program Office announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, December 5, 2025, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., EST, Dual Diagnosis Treatment Subcommittee

PLACE: Virtual meeting via Microsoft Teams Webinar. Participants must register for the event using the registration link below:

<https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/665ac709-0b56-4c16-b976-664b6285c7e8@f70dba48-b283-4c57-8831-cb411445a94c>

The registration link is also available on the Department of Children and Families calendar of events located here:

<https://www.myflfamilies.com/news-and-events>

Dial in by Phone: 1(412)912-1530, Phone Conference ID: 409 474 81#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Commission on Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder is meeting in accordance with section 394.9086, F.S. Discussion topics will include the status of Florida's behavioral health system of care and opportunities to further examine the current methods of providing mental health and substance use services in the state.

The agenda and meeting materials will be forth coming. For information on the Commission please visit the Commission website:

<https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/samh/commission-mental-health-and-substance-use-disorder>

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Aaron Platt at Aaron.platt@myflfamilies.com or (850)717-4331.

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: Aaron Platt at Aaron.platt@myflfamilies.com or (850)717-4331. 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).

NORTHEAST FLORIDA AREA AGENCY ON AGING

The ElderSource announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 24, 2025, 12:00 noon

PLACE: Zoom

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Executive Committee Meeting-Employee Benefit review

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

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

For more information, you may contact: adminsupport@myeldersource.org

MOFFITT CANCER CENTER & RESEARCH INSTITUTE

The H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 29, 2025, 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Moffitt International Plaza, 4101 Jim Walter Blvd, Tampa, FL 33607.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct the general business of the Joint Finance Committee.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Kris Butler, Administration, Moffitt Cancer Center, 12902 Magnolia Drive, Tampa, 33612.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 24 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Kris Butler. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

FLORIDA LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE COMMISSION

The Florida Local Government Finance Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 29, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Via Conference Call, 1(877)304-9269 (passcode 359237#)

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

For the purposes of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), notice is hereby given that the Florida Local Government Finance Commission (the "Issuer") will hold a public hearing on October 29, 2025, at 10:00 A.M., or as soon thereafter as practicable. In accordance with Internal Revenue Service Revenue Procedure 2022-20, this public hearing will be held by telephone conference. Interested persons are encouraged to attend the telephone conference using the following instructions:

TELEPHONE CONFERENCE INSTRUCTIONS:

TOLL-FREE DIAL IN NUMBER: 1(877)304-9269

PASSCODE: 359237#

The public hearing is being conducted for the purpose of receiving comments and hearing discussion concerning the proposed adoption by the Issuer of a resolution approving the issuance and sale by the Issuer of not exceeding \$[32],000,000 of its Florida Local Government Finance Commission Educational Facilities Revenue Bonds (Archimedean Academy Project) to be issued in one or more series of qualified 501(c)(3) bonds, as defined in Section 145 of the Code (collectively, the "Bonds"), pursuant to a plan of finance.

The proceeds of the Bonds, when and if issued, will be loaned to Archimedean Academy, Inc., a Florida not-for-profit corporation and organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code (the "Borrower"). The proceeds will be used by the Borrower for the purposes of: (a) financing and/or refinancing the costs of the acquisition, construction, renovation, improvement and/or equipping of certain educational facilities located at 12425 SW 72nd Street (Sunset Drive), Miami, Florida 33183 (the "Project"); (b) funding necessary reserves and capitalized interest related to the Bonds, if deemed necessary or desirable; and (c) paying certain costs of issuance associated with the Bonds.

The Project will be owned and operated by the Borrower (or an entity or entities affiliated with or designated thereby pursuant to one or more qualified use or management agreements).

The Bonds shall be payable solely from the revenues derived by the Issuer from a loan agreement, mortgage and security agreement and other financing documents entered into by and between the Issuer and the Borrower prior to or contemporaneously with the issuance of the Bonds. Such Bonds and the interest thereon shall not constitute an indebtedness or

pledge of the general credit or taxing power, if any, of the Issuer, Brevard County, Charlotte County, Lee County, Osceola County, Sarasota County, St. Johns County, the State of Florida, or any political subdivision or agency thereof (including Miami-Dade County). The Issuer has no taxing power.

Issuance of the Bonds shall be subject to several conditions including satisfactory documentation, the approval by bond counsel as to the tax-exempt status of the interest on all or a portion of the Bonds and receipt of necessary approvals for the financing. The aforementioned hearing shall be a public hearing and all persons in attendance will be given an opportunity to be heard and to express their views on the proposed issuance of the Bonds and the location and nature of the Project by accessing the telephone conference as indicated above. Written comments may also be submitted prior to the hearing to the Florida Local Government Finance Commission c/o Nabors Giblin & Nickerson, P.A. at 2502 N. Rocky Point Drive, Suite 1060, Tampa, Florida 33607, directed to Issuer's Counsel or via email sent to the following email address: rharb@ngn-tampa.com. Comments made at the hearing are for the consideration of the party(ies) providing an approval of the Bonds but will not bind the Issuer or such party(ies) as to any action it may take.

ALL PERSONS FOR OR AGAINST SAID APPROVAL CAN BE HEARD AT SAID TIME AND PLACE. IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE ISSUER WITH RESPECT TO SUCH HEARING OR MEETING, (S)HE WILL NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF SUCH HEARING OR MEETING IS MADE (AT THEIR SOLE COST AND EXPENSE), WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS BASED.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in the meeting is requested to advise the Issuer at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting by contacting counsel to the Issuer at (813)281-2222 or via email sent to the following email address: rharb@ngn-tampa.com.

By order of the Florida Local Government Finance Commission.

FLORIDA LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE COMMISSION

/s/ Nicole Jovanovski

Chair

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Richard B. Harb, (813)281-2222, rharb@ngn-tampa.com

FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES

The Florida Municipal Investment Trust (FMIvT) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, December 11, 2025, 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Hammock Beach Golf Resort & Spa, 200 Ocean Crest Dr, Palm Coast, FL 32137 - (866)841-0287

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Florida Municipal Investment Trust (FMIVT) general meeting conducted through the use of communications media technology, as authorized by Section 163.01(18), Florida Statutes. Persons interested in attending may do so in person at Hammock Beach Golf Resort & Spa, 200 Ocean Crest Dr, Palm Coast, FL 32137 - (866)841-0287, where a communications media technology facility will be located.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Michaela Metcalfe, email: mmetcalfe@flcities.com or call: (850)701-3619.

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

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FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES

The Florida Municipal Loan Council (FMLC) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, December 11, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Hammock Beach Golf Resort & Spa, 200 Ocean Crest Dr, Palm Coast, FL 32137 - (866)841-0287

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Florida Municipal Loan Council (FMLC) general meeting conducted through the use of communications media technology, as authorized by Section 163.01(18), Florida Statutes. Persons interested in attending may do so in person at Hammock Beach Golf Resort & Spa, 200 Ocean Crest Dr, Palm Coast, FL 32137 - (866)841-0287, where a communications media technology facility will be located.

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FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES

The Florida Municipal Pension Trust Fund (FMPTF) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, December 11, 2025, 11:00 a.m.

PLACE: Hammock Beach Golf Resort & Spa, 200 Ocean Crest Dr, Palm Coast, FL 32137 - (866)841-0287

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Florida Municipal Pension Trust Fund (FMPTF) general meeting conducted through the use of communications media technology, as authorized by Section 163.01(18), Florida Statutes. Persons interested in attending may do so in person at the Hammock Beach Golf Resort & Spa, 200 Ocean Crest Dr, Palm Coast, FL 32137 - (866)841-0287, where a communications media technology facility will be located.

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FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES

The Florida Municipal Insurance Trust (FMIT) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, December 12, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Hammock Beach Golf Resort & Spa, 200 Ocean Crest Dr, Palm Coast, FL 32137 - (866)841-0287

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Florida Municipal Insurance Trust (FMIT) general meeting

conducted through the use of communications media technology, as authorized by Section 163.01(18), Florida Statutes. Persons interested in attending may do so in person at Hammock Beach Golf Resort & Spa, 200 Ocean Crest Dr, Palm Coast, FL 32137 - (866)841-0287, where a communications media technology facility will be located.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

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

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, November 4, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Indian River County Board of County Commissioners Meeting, Indian River County Administration Complex, 1801 27th Street, Building A Commission Chambers, Vero Beach, FL 32960-3388.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Roadway Jurisdiction Transfer Between FDOT and Indian River County: CR-512 (Sebastian Boulevard) from I-95/SR-9 to CR-510 (90th Avenue) AND CR-510 (90th Avenue/85th Street) from CR-512 (Sebastian Boulevard) to US-1/SR-5 AND CR-606 (Oslo Road) from I-95/SR-9 to US-1/SR-5 to be transferred ON to the State Highway System from the COUNTY.

Additionally, the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners will consider a resolution which authorizes the transfer of maintenance obligations for the two (2) railroad crossings located within the transfer limits of CR-510 (85th Street) and CR-606 (Oslo Road) to FDOT contingent upon FDOT entering into a Railroad Crossing Agreement with Florida East Coast Railway, L.L.C.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Kathy Copeland, Indian River County Legislative Affairs and

Communications Director, by email at KCopeland@indianriver.gov or by phone at 1(772)226-4329, or by visiting the County's Legislative Calendar at: <https://stluciecofl.portal.civicclerk.com/>. The public hearing will consist of a brief discussion of the items to be considered, followed by an opportunity for public comment.

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: Sharon Singh Hagyan, FDOT District 4 Title VI Coordinator by email at Sharon.SinghHagyan@dot.state.fl.us or by phone at 1(954)777-4190 or 1(800). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

FLORIDA SURPLUS ASSET FUND TRUST

The Florida Surplus Asset Fund Trust announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, October 30, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Zoom Meeting ID: 874 8577 1342 Passcode: 972549

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES - BOARD OF PARTICIPANTS

A. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Call to Order/ Roll Call
2. Participant and Guest Introductions
3. Public Comments
4. Approval Prior Board Meeting Minutes

(a) July 31, 2025

5. Proposed Budget 2026, Jeff

B. STAFF REPORTS

1. Investment Advisor/Operations Manager Update - Chandler

- (a) Economic and Market Update
- (b) FL SAFE LGIP Portfolio Update
- (c) Operations Manager Report
- (d) Marketing Update
- (e) Chandler Comments

2. Administrator Update - FMAS

(a) Presentations, Conferences, FIPP Update, General Comments

(b) Board Elections Update – Effective January 2026

(c) FMAS Comments

C. OTHER ITEMS

1. FLSAFE Counsel's Comments
2. Participant's Comments
3. Advisory Council Member Comments
4. Board Member's Comments

D. SET NEXT MEETING DATE/ ADJOURNMENT

1. Future meeting dates: January 29, 2026; April 30, 2026

I look forward to seeing you in the meeting. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jeff Larson, FLSAFE Administrator at (407)496-1597, jl Larson@floridamanagementservices.com

Very truly yours,

Linda Senne, CPA, Chair

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DESOTO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT

The DeSoto County Hospital District d/b/a DeSoto Memorial Hospital announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 10, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: DeSoto Memorial Hospital, McSwain Conference Room

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Pursuant to Florida Statute section 155.40, the Board of Directors determined at the public meeting held June 26, 2025 that it is in the best interest of our community to initiate the Request for Proposal (RFP) process in search of a qualified partner, lessor, affiliate, purchaser or joint venture participant. Please be advised that DCHD has initiated the RFP process which may be viewed on the DMH.org website. A public meeting was held on October 16th to evaluate all proposals and three finalists were selected to make presentations to the Board of Directors on November 10th.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Andrea Griffis Carson at (863)494-8402.

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contacting: Andrea Griffis Carson at (863)494-8402. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Andrea Griffis Carson at (863)494-8402

QUEST CORPORATION OF AMERICA, INC.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, October 29, 2025, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: In-Person at Wildwood Community Center and virtually

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will hold a project open house to update the community on the status of plans to widen U.S. 301 (State Road 35) from County Road 470 to Florida's Turnpike. (FPID Nos. 430132-2, 430132-4, 430132-5)

The purpose of this project is to widen U.S. 301 to four lanes to address traffic growth, ease congestion, accommodate the high volume of current and future truck traffic, and support social and economic opportunities in this fast-growing region. The project also includes realigning a portion of U.S. 301 around the City of Coleman. Additional details are available in the attached project information handout. The open house is an opportunity for the community to learn about the project plans and provide feedback.

The in-person open house will be held at Wildwood Community Center, 6500 Powell Road, Wildwood, FL 34785. Attendees will be able to view a looping presentation and project displays, speak with project team members, and submit comments or questions.

To provide additional flexibility for stakeholders, the FDOT is also offering online opportunities to get involved:

- Join an online webinar at 5:30 p.m. to watch a project presentation and submit written questions or comments using the webinar questions box. To attend using this option, register at

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2778878650327044693>. Please make sure to provide adequate time to log in to view the presentation in its entirety.

- Visit the project websites at your convenience at

www.cflroads.com/project/430132-2,

www.cflroads.com/project/430132-4,

or

www.cflroads.com/project/430132-5. Visitors to the page may watch the project presentation, view project exhibits, and submit comments and questions directly to the project manager. Updated project materials will be available beginning Wednesday, October 29, and will be the same as what will be shared at the in-person open house. While the information will remain on the website throughout the project, please provide comments or questions by November 10, 2025, to have the comments included in the open house record.

If you are unable to attend the open house or participate online, you may contact the FDOT project manager directly at the phone number listed below.

FDOT is seeking feedback from nearby property owners, business owners, interested persons, organizations, and the general public about this project and the proposed improvements.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to FDOT compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting Melissa McKinney, FDOT District Five Title VI Coordinator, at Melissa.McKinney@dot.state.fl.us.

Information about this project is also available online at www.cflroads.com. Simply type 430132-2 or 430132-4 or 430132-5 in the search box, click “go” and then select the project. We encourage you to participate in the U.S. 301 Widening Open House.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: n/a
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: Carolyn Fitzwilliam at (386)943-5221 or by email at Carolyn.Fitzwilliam@dot.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: FDOT Project Manager, Derek Dean, P.E., by phone at (386)943-5161 by email at Derek.Dean@dot.state.fl.us, or U.S. mail at Florida Department of Transportation, 719 South Woodland Blvd., M.S. 542, DeLand, FL 32720.

SCALAR CONSULTING GROUP INC.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: The Alternatives Public Workshop will be held virtually and in-person on separate days. Virtual: Wednesday, October 29, 2025, 5:30 p.m.; In-person: Thursday, November 6, 2025, 5:30 p.m.

The same information will be presented at both the virtual and the in-person Alternatives Public Workshop, so attending both is not necessary. In the event that the Alternatives Public Workshop cannot be held on Wednesday, October 29, 2025 for the Virtual and Thursday, November 6, 2025 for the In-Person due to severe weather or other unforeseen conditions, the meetings will be held on Tuesday, December 2, 2025, 5:30 p.m. for the Virtual and Thursday, December 4, 2025, 5:30 p.m. for the In-Person.

PLACES: Participants are requested to register in advance for the virtual experience. To register for the Alternatives Public Workshop, please use the following link <https://tinyurl.com/I95-439170-1>. For the in-person experience please see workshop address location below.

Virtual: Persons who do not wish to attend the Alternatives Public Workshop in person can join the workshop Virtually at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 29, 2025. To register for the Alternatives Public Workshop, please use the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/I95-439170-1>. You will receive an email with a link to log in the day of the Virtual meeting. If using a mobile device, the “GoToWebinar” application is required to attend. Please allow adequate log-in time to view the presentation in its entirety. To join by phone during the Virtual meeting, please dial: 1(562)247-8422, Access Code: 455-184-855.

In-Person: The Alternatives Public Workshop will be held at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center located at 2400 Charleston Street, Hollywood, Florida 33020 on Thursday, November 6, 2025. The Alternatives Public Workshop will begin at 5:30 p.m. as an open house format.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: On behalf of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), you and your staff are invited to an Alternatives Public Workshop for the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study for the above referenced project. A PD&E Study is FDOT’s process to evaluate the social, economic, and environmental impacts associated with a planned transportation improvement project. The purpose of this study is to improve traffic operations at the existing interchanges, cross streets, and managed lanes, address existing and future traffic demand, and enhance safety along I-95 from Miami-Dade/Broward County Line to north of Griffin Road in Broward County, Florida. The I-95 mainline and interchange alternatives being considered will enhance the community by accommodating planned development growth, improve safety by incorporating innovative designs and facilitating pedestrian and bicycle connectivity, and improve freight access between major hubs and the regional highway network.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by FDOT pursuant

to 23 U.S.C. § 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated May 26, 2022, and executed by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and FDOT.

All exhibits presented at the Alternatives Public Workshop can be viewed electronically on the project website <https://www.fdot.gov/projects/i95southbrowardpde>.

Questions and comments may be submitted in the following ways:

- Speaking directly with staff and/or providing written comments at the in-person Alternatives Public Workshop.
- Providing oral and/or written comments using the virtual chat feature at the virtual Alternatives Public Workshop.
- Submitting comments on the project website.
- Contacting the Project Manager directly by phone and/or email.

Community feedback is at the core of all we do. FDOT works with the public to balance their community vision with the community's transportation needs. This is routine on all our projects to ensure Florida's infrastructure is safe, resilient, and efficient for many years into the future. Notices are being sent to all property owners and tenants located within at least 300 feet on either side of the proposed alignment and to other public officials, regulatory agencies, organizations, and individuals that have expressed interest in the project.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: the FDOT Project Manager: Leslie Wetherell, P.E., FDOT District Four, 3400 West Commercial Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309 or (954)777-4438, toll-free at 1(800)336-8435, ext. 4438, via email at Leslie.Wetherell@dot.state.fl.us or visit the project website at www.fdot.gov/projects/i95southbrowardpde. 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: the FDOT Project Manager, Ms. Leslie Wetherell, P.E., FDOT District Four, 3400 West Commercial Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309 or (954)777-4438, toll-free at 1(800)336-8435, ext. 4438, via email at Leslie.Wetherell@dot.state.fl.us or visit the project website at www.fdot.gov/projects/i95southbrowardpde. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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Section VII

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Finance

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Office of Financial Regulation has issued an order disposing of the petition for declaratory statement filed by Blue Key Equity Group LLC dba KeyBridge on September 08, 2025. The following is a summary of the agency's disposition of the petition:

On October 20, 2025, a Final Order on the Petition was issued. Under the specific set of facts contained within the Petition, Petitioner would not be acting as an intermediary as set forth in section 560.103(24), Florida Statutes; therefore, Petitioner's proposed operation would not require a money services business license pursuant to Chapter 560, Florida Statutes.

****The original petition was published September 12, 2025 in the Florida Administrative Register Volume 51, Number 178.**

A copy of the Order Disposing of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk, Office of Financial Regulation, P.O. Box 8050, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8050, (850)410-9889, Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov.

Please refer all comments to: Agency Clerk, Office of Financial Regulation, P.O. Box 8050, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8050, (850)410-9889, Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov.

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 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
DEP RFSOQ 2026006 Marine Archaeological Remote Sensing
Survey of Submerged Lands

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection is requesting Responses for Marine Archaeological Remote Sensing Survey of Submerged Lands. The Department will post notice of any changes or additional meeting(s) on the Vendor Information Portal (VIP) in accordance with section 287.042(3), Florida Statutes, and will not re-advertise any notice in the Florida Administrative Register (FAR). Access the VIP at: <https://vendor.myfloridamarketplace.com/>

FLORIDA IS FOR VETERANS INC.

Veterans Florida Issues Request for Proposals for Marketing Services

Veterans Florida is looking to establish an agency relationship to fulfill the needs outlined in this Request for Proposals (RFP) for a qualified marketing firm specialized in reaching military and veteran audiences.

Veterans Florida seeks a U.S.-based marketing agency, preferably with a Florida office, specializing in military and veteran audiences. The chosen firm will handle a comprehensive marketing audit, branding update, strategy, asset and content development, tailored marketing plan execution, social media management, media buys, website enhancement, SEO, trend advisement, and maintenance.

The initial contract runs from January to June 2026, with up to four annual renewals contingent on performance and state funding. The budget for this period is \$600,000. Subsequent annual budgets, aligning with Veterans Florida's July 1 - June 30 fiscal year, are not expected to exceed \$600,000 and may vary based on funding, priorities, and marketing strategies.

This RFP seeks an agency capable of effectively reaching Veterans Florida audiences, demonstrating an understanding of Florida's unique appeal to the target demographic.

For more information including timeline and requirements please visit <https://www.veteransflorida.org/submit-proposal>

Section XII
Miscellaneous

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Index of Administrative Rules Filed with the Secretary of State Pursuant to subparagraphs 120.55(1)(b)7. – 8., F.S., the below list of rules were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State between 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 15, 2025, and 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 21, 2025.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
23-21.006	10/21/2025	11/10/2025
23-21.013	10/21/2025	11/10/2025
23-21.014	10/21/2025	11/10/2025
23-21.015	10/21/2025	11/10/2025
23-21.0161	10/21/2025	11/10/2025
62-602.200	10/17/2025	11/6/2025
62-602.230	10/17/2025	11/6/2025
62-602.250	10/17/2025	11/6/2025
62-602.300	10/17/2025	11/6/2025
62-602.360	10/17/2025	11/6/2025
62-602.410	10/17/2025	11/6/2025
62-602.420	10/17/2025	11/6/2025
62-602.600	10/17/2025	11/6/2025
62-602.650	10/17/2025	11/6/2025
64B7-30.002	10/21/2025	11/10/2025
64B16-26.351	10/16/2025	11/5/2025
64B17-7.0029	10/17/2025	11/6/2025
68B-7.008	10/15/2025	11/4/2025

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

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

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR
VEHICLES

Division of Motor Vehicles

Ray Glass Batteries Inc., line-make PLDG

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

Pursuant to section 320.642, Florida Statutes, notice is given that Plastic Development Group LLC, intends to allow the establishment of Ray Glass Batteries Inc., dba Battery Source, as a dealership for the sale and service of low-speed vehicle manufactured by Plastic Development Group LLC (line-make PLDG) at 2402 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Panama City, (Bay County), Florida 32405, on or after November 21, 2025.

The name and address of the dealer operator(s) and principal investor(s) of Ray Glass Batteries Inc. are dealer operator(s): Melinda Barwick, 104 Genesis Pkwy, Thomasville, Georgia 31792, principal investor(s): Melinda Barwick, 104 Genesis Pkwy, Thomasville, Georgia 31792.

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

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

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

A copy of such petition or complaint must also be sent by US Mail to: Ann Yousif, Plastic Development Group LLC, 24445 Northwestern Hwy Suite 101, Southfield, Michigan 48075.

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

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

Certificate of Need

LETTERS OF INTENT

The Agency for Health Care Administration received and accepted the following letters of intent for the November 19, 2025 application filing date for the Nursing Home and ICF/DD batching cycle:

County: Santa Rosa District: 1-1

Date Filed: 10/20/2025 LOI #: N2510001

Applicant/Facility/Project: Sandy Ridge SNF Operations LLC d/b/a Sandy Ridge Center for Rehabilitation and Healing – Add up to 94 community nursing home beds

County: Leon District: 2-4

Date Filed: 10/17/2025 LOI #: N2510002

Applicant/Facility/Project: Presbyterian Retirement Communities Inc. d/b/a Westminster Oaks – Add seven community nursing home beds

County: Alachua District: 3-2

Date Filed: 10/17/2025 LOI #: N2510003

Applicant/Facility/Project: Alachua Nursing and Rehab LLC – Establish a community nursing home of up to 31 beds

County: Alachua District: 3-2

Date Filed: 10/17/2025 LOI #: N2510004

Applicant/Facility/Project: Alachua Nursing and Rehab LLC – Establish a community nursing home of up to 18 beds

County: Alachua District: 3-2

Date Filed: 10/20/2025 LOI #: N2510005

Applicant/Facility/Project: Alachua SNF Operations, LLC – Add 18 community nursing home beds to the 146-bed project approved by CON #10867

County: Marion District: 3-4

Date Filed: 10/17/2025 LOI #: N2510006

Applicant/Facility/Project: Marion Nursing and Rehab LLC – Establish a community nursing home of up to 13 beds

County: Marion District: 3-4

Date Filed: 10/20/2025 LOI #: N2510007

Applicant/Facility/Project: Marion Operations LLC – Add 13 community nursing home beds to the 141-bed project approved by Exemption #E250002

County: Duval District: 4-2

Date Filed: 10/17/2025 LOI #: N2510008

Applicant/Facility/Project: Serenity Health Ventures LLC – Add 12 community nursing home beds to the 217-bed project approved by CON #10869P

County: Duval District: 4-2

Date Filed: 10/17/2025 LOI #: N2510009

Applicant/Facility/Project: Serenity Health Ventures LLC – Add eight community nursing home beds to the 217-bed project approved by CON #10869P

County: Duval District: 4-3

Date Filed: 10/17/2025 LOI #: N2510010

Applicant/Facility/Project: Palm State Health Ventures LLC – Add four community nursing home beds to the 81-bed project approved by CON #10870

County: Hillsborough District: 6-1

Date Filed: 10/20/2025 LOI #: N2510011

Applicant/Facility/Project: Evergreen Health Ventures LLC – Add 34 community nursing home beds to the 138-bed project approved by CON #10873

County: Hillsborough District: 6-1

Date Filed: 10/17/2025 LOI #: N2510012

Applicant/Facility/Project: Fletcher FL Opco, LLC d/b/a Blue Palms Health and Rehabilitation Center at Fletcher – Add 34 community beds by conversion of 34 sheltered nursing home beds

County: Hillsborough District: 6-1

Date Filed: 10/17/2025 LOI #: N2510013

Applicant/Facility/Project: Flowers Nursing and Rehab Center, LLC – Establish a 34-bed community nursing home

County: Hillsborough District: 6-1

Date Filed: 10/17/2025 LOI #: N2510014

Applicant/Facility/Project: Sabal Palm of Riverview Nursing and Rehab Center, LLC – Add 34 community nursing home beds to the 67-bed project approved by CON #10878

County: Manatee District: 6-2

Date Filed: 10/20/2025 LOI #: N2510015

Applicant/Facility/Project: CCRC OPCO-Bradenton, LLC d/b/a The Inn at Freedom Village – Add 52 community beds through the conversion of 52 sheltered nursing home beds

County: Polk District: 6-5

Date Filed: 10/17/2025 LOI #: N2510016

Applicant/Facility/Project: Sunstate Health Ventures LLC – Establish a six-bed community nursing home

County: Osceola District: 7-3

Date Filed: 10/20/2025 LOI #: N2510017

Applicant/Facility/Project: Avante at St. Cloud, Inc. – Add 14 community nursing home beds

County: Seminole District: 7-4

Date Filed: 10/17/2025 LOI #: N2510018

Applicant/Facility/Project: Flowers Nursing and Rehab Center, LLC – Establish a 36-bed community nursing home

County: Seminole District: 7-4

Date Filed: 10/17/2025 LOI #: N2510019

Applicant/Facility/Project: SC Nursing and Rehab Center, LLC – Add 36 community nursing home beds to the 171-bed project approved by CON #10810

County: Charlotte District: 8-1

Date Filed: 10/17/2025 LOI #: N2510020

Applicant/Facility/Project: Charlotte Nursing and Rehab LLC – Establish a community nursing home of up to 40 beds

County: Indian River District: 9-1

Date Filed: 10/20/2025 LOI #: N2510021

Applicant/Facility/Project: ACTS Retirement-Life Communities, Inc. d/b/a WillowBrooke Court at Indian River Estates – Add 20 community beds through the conversion of 20 sheltered nursing home beds

County: Indian River District: 9-1

Date Filed: 10/20/2025 LOI #: N2510022

Applicant/Facility/Project: Vero Beach Operations LLC d/b/a Vero Beach Care Center – Add 30 community nursing home beds

If requested within 14 days after notice that an application has been filed, a public hearing may be held at the local level within 21 days after December 17, 2025, the date the application is scheduled to be deemed complete. Tentative hearing dates will be published on November 26, 2025.

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Florida Digital Service

Notice of Florida Cybersecurity Advisory Council Recover Work Group Update

The Florida Cybersecurity Advisory Council Recover Work Group scheduled for October 27, 2025, as noticed in Issue Vol. 51, No. 205, is RESCHEDULED to October 30, 2025, 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. The agenda is available on the Department's website

at: https://www.dms.myflorida.com/other_programs/cybersecurity_advisory_council

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.