

## Section I

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

#### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

##### Division of State Fire Marshal

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

69A-60.0061 Office Surgery Suites

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rulemaking implements the statutory changes made to the Florida Fire Prevention Code by Chapter 2026-89, Laws of Florida.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Firesafety standards for office surgery suites providing services or treatment simultaneously for up to six patients.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 553.884, 633.104, 633.202, 633.208, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 553.884, 633.104, 633.202, 633.208, 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: Elijah Flowers, Senior Code Analyst, Division of State Fire Marshal at (850)413-3731 or DSFM.Rules@myfloridacfo.com.

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

#### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

##### Division of Unclaimed Property

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

69G-20.0021 Procedures for Filing Claim

69G-20.0030 Claims for United States Savings Bonds

69G-20.041 Reporting Instructions Manual for Unclaimed Property

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rulemaking will revise rule language to reflect recent revisions to sections 717.124(1)(b), F.S., 717.101(12), F.S., and 717.117, F.S., which, respectively, revise procedures related to the withdrawal of a claim by a claimant or claimant's representative; revise the definition of "claimant representative;" and prescribe the duties, procedures, and requirements as it relates to due diligence and written notice.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: This rulemaking will address definitions, claim filing procedures, and reporting instructions as it relates to unclaimed property.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 717.117, 717.124, 717.135, 717.138, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 92.525, 668.50, 717.101, 717.102, 717.103, 717.1035, 717.104, 717.1045, 717.105, 717.106, 717.107, 717.1071, 717.108, 717.109, 717.1101, 717.111, 717.112, 717.1125, 717.113, 717.115, 717.116, 717.117, 717.119, 717.1201, 717.122, 717.124, 717.12403, 717.12404, 717.12405, 717.1241, 717.1242, 717.1243, 717.125, 717.126, 717.1261, 717.1262, 717.129, 717.1311, 717.1315, 717.1322, 717.134, 717.135, 717.138, 717.139, 717.1400, 731.201, 736.0103, F.S.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Phillip Carlton, Director, Division of Unclaimed Property, (850)413-5570 or Phillip.Carlton@myfloridacfo.com.

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

#### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

##### Division of Consumer Services

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

69J-7.001 My Safe Florida Home Program

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rulemaking implements the statutory changes made to the My Safe Florida Home Program (Program) by Chapter 2026-174, Laws of Florida. The rulemaking will clarify the application process, property eligibility, and eligible mitigation projects.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: This rulemaking will address the My Safe Florida Home Program application procedures and requirements.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 215.5586, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 215.5586, F.S.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Steven Fielder, Chief Business Manager, (850)413-2910 or Steven.Fielder@myfloridacfo.com.

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

**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES****Division of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:  
69K-5.012 Application and Renewal Procedures for  
Broker of Burial Rights License

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rulemaking implements the statutory changes made by Chapter 2026-174, Laws of Florida. The rulemaking will update the application procedures and requirements for licensure, incorporated materials, and the Rulemaking Authority and Law Implemented Sections.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: This rulemaking will address application for licensure and application for licensure renewal procedures and requirements.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 497.103, 497.281 F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 497.103, 497.281 F.S.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Mary Schwantes, Division Director, Division of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services, (850)413-4984, or Mary.Schwantes@myfloridacfo.com.

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

**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES****Division of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services**

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:  
69K-18.001 Embalmer Intern Training Program  
69K-18.002 Funeral Director Intern Training Program  
69K-18.003 Concurrent Internships  
69K-18.004 Intern Training Agencies

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rulemaking implements the statutory changes made by Chapter 2026-174, Laws of Florida. The rulemaking will update application procedures and requirements for licensure, incorporated materials, and the Rulemaking Authority and Law Implemented Sections.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: This rulemaking will address application procedures and requirements for licensure of embalmer interns, funeral director interns, concurrent internships, and intern training agencies.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 497.103, 497.141, 497.370, 497.375, 497.377 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 497.140, 497.141, 497.147, 497.368, 497.370, 497.371, 497.373, 497.375 FS.

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**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES****Division of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services**

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:  
69K-25.001 Licensure by Endorsement; Embalmers  
69K-25.002 Licensure by Endorsement; Funeral  
Directors

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rulemaking implements the statutory changes made by Chapter 2026-174, Laws of Florida. The rulemaking will update application procedures and requirements for licensure, incorporated materials, and the Rulemaking Authority and Law Implemented Sections.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: This rulemaking will address application procedures and requirements for embalmer licensure by endorsement and funeral director licensure by endorsement.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 497.103, 497.369, 497.374 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 497.140, 497.141, 497.142, 497.146, 497.369, 497.374 FS.

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

**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES****Division of Workers' Compensation****RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:**

69L-7.740 Insurer Authorization and Medical Bill Review Responsibilities

69L-7.750 Insurer Electronic Medical Report Filing to the Division

**PURPOSE AND EFFECT:** The proposed rulemaking for rule 69L-7.740 Insurer Authorization and Medical Bill Review Responsibilities implements the statutory change made by chapter 2026-174, Laws of Florida, which now allows providers to serve reimbursement dispute petitions to the Department by common carrier with variable tracking methods in addition to United States Postal Service certified mail. Similarly, the proposed rulemaking for rule 69L-7.750 Insurer Electronic Medical Report Filing to the Division implements the statutory change made by chapter 2026-174, Laws of Florida, which expands the methods by which providers can submit dispute petitions to the Department to include common carriers with verifiable tracking methods in addition to United States Postal Service certified mail.

**SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED:** The rule addresses special billing requirements pertaining to workers' compensation medical reimbursement.

**RULEMAKING AUTHORITY:** 440.13, 440.15, 440.185, 440.20, 440.525, 440.591, 440.593 FS.

**LAW IMPLEMENTED:** 440.09, 440.13, 440.15, 440.185, 440.20, 440.525, 440.593 FS.

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**THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS:** Theresa Pugh, Program Administrator—Medical Services, Bureau of Monitoring and Audit, Division of Workers' Compensation at (850)413-1721 or Theresa.Pugh@myfloridacfo.com.

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

69L-31.008 Computation of Time

**PURPOSE AND EFFECT:** The proposed rulemaking for rules 69L-31.003 Petition for Resolution of Reimbursement Dispute Form and Requirements and 69L-31.004 Carrier Response to Petition for Resolution of Reimbursement Dispute Form and Requirements implements the statutory change made by chapter 174-2026, Laws of Florida, which extends the time period within which the Forms may be filed, by updating the Forms' instructions. The proposed rulemaking for rule 69L-31.007 Service of Petition on Carrier and All Affected Parties implements the statutory change made by chapter 2026-174, Laws of Florida, which expands the method by which Health Care Providers can serve a Petition for Resolution of Reimbursement Dispute Form to include common carriers with verifiable tracking methods in addition to United States Postal Service certified mail. The proposed rulemaking for rule 69L-31.008 Computation of Time implements the statutory change made by chapter 2026-174, Laws of Florida, which extends the time within which Health Care Providers can file a Petition for Resolution of Reimbursement Dispute Form and Response Form.

**SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED:** The rulemaking will address procedures pertaining to the filing of worker's compensation utilization and reimbursement disputes with the Department.

**RULEMAKING AUTHORITY:** 440.13, 440.591 FS.

**LAW IMPLEMENTED:** 440.13 FS.

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

**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES****Division of Workers' Compensation****RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:**

69L-31.003 Petition for Resolution of Reimbursement Dispute Form and Requirements

69L-31.004 Carrier Response to Petition for Resolution of Reimbursement Dispute Form and Requirements

69L-31.007 Service of Petition on Carrier and All Affected Parties

## Section II Proposed Rules

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES****Florida Forest Service****RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:**

5I-4.002 Purpose and Definitions

5I-4.003 Vehicular, Animal and Pedestrian Control

5I-4.005 Protection of Managed Lands

5I-4.006 Recreational Activities and Facilities  
 5I-4.007 Garbage, Water Pollution and Glass Containers  
 5I-4.008 Vendors; Authorizations; Fees  
 5I-4.011 Penalties for Violations

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this rulemaking is to clarify and update existing rules governing the management of state forests.

SUMMARY: The proposed amendments update definitions, clarify rules relating to vehicular, animal, and pedestrian control on managed lands including drone usage, clarify rules relating to the protection of managed lands, add a restriction on the use of pre-charged pneumatic air guns, remove form FDACS-11228 from rule, address the harvesting of flowers, seeds, or fruit, refine rules relating to recreational activities and facilities, add a maximum number of nights a camper may stay in a six month period, restrict the use of electric bicycles to specified locations, add off-highway vehicles to the commercial vendors rule, prescribe a new penalty chart for violations, and add trespass warnings to the penalty rule.

#### SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

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

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 570.07(23), 589.011(4), 589.071, 589.12 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 589.04, 589.011, (1), (3), (4), 589.071, 589.19, 590.14 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: Alan Davis, Land Administration Manager and Rules Coordinator, 3125 Doyle Conner Blvd., Suite 203, Tallahassee, FL 32301, (850)681-5816; alan.davis@fdacs.gov.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

#### 5I-4.002 Purpose and Definitions

~~For the purposes of this chapter, is to provide information regarding the utilization of lands and facilities managed or controlled by the Department of Agricultural and Consumer Services, Florida Forest Service. The following words have the meaning indicated:~~

(1) Access point: ~~The Florida Forest Service designated entrance or access to or from managed lands by the general public.~~

(2) Aircraft: ~~a~~ powered or unpowered machine or device capable of atmospheric flight including, ~~but not limited to,~~ airplanes, helicopters, ultra lights, gliders, hang gliders, and any ~~drone device as defined specified in s~~Section 934.50(2)(a), F.S. ~~Aircraft does not include parachutes, parachute except a or other such devices device used primarily as safety equipment.~~

(3) All-~~terrain~~ ~~v~~Vehicle (ATV): ~~a~~Any motorized off-highway vehicle as ~~defined specified in s~~Sections 261.03, 316.2074, and 317.0003, F.S.

(4) Bicycle ~~Trail~~: ~~a~~A designated trail on which human-powered, pedal-driven bicycles, or Class 1 electric bicycles as ~~defined in section 316.003, F.S.,~~ are allowed.

(5) Campground: ~~a designated~~ ~~An overnight developed area, other than a hunt camp or primitive camp, designated for overnight camping, consisting of two (2) or more individual campsites, or that can accommodate greater than eight (8) persons, which may provide the user with conveniences such as water, restrooms, or electric hook ups at each site, and full flush restrooms with showers.~~

(6) Campsite ~~Camp Zone~~: ~~a~~An individual location designated for camping that has the primary occupant(s) using tents, motor vehicles and/or recreational vehicles, for shelter and can typically accommodate up to eight (8) persons. ~~overnight camping area included as part of a trail system. Camp zones have no facilities and are not accessible from designated roads. Fees are not charged.~~

(7) Carrying ~~c~~Capacity: ~~t~~The maximum number of persons, motor vehicles, off-highway vehicles, horses, or watercraft permitted within any ~~campsite, campground, day-use area, parking designated area, body of water, or designated trail,~~ without degrading any of the natural resource values on managed lands.

(8) Day-~~u~~Use ~~a~~Area: ~~a~~An established area designated for public recreational activities from sunrise to sunset during daylight hours only.

(9) Department: ~~t~~The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

(10) Designated ~~r~~Road: ~~a~~Any land surface area, unpaved or paved, named or numbered, open to the public operating motor vehicles or non-motorized transportation vehicles.

(11) Designated ~~t~~Trail: ~~a~~A specific trail on which particular uses are allowed as specified by the Service and which is appropriately denoted and maintained for those uses.

(12) Developed campground: a campground that includes a sanitary dump station and a restroom with a shower.

(13)(12) Group ~~c~~Camp: ~~a~~A designated primitive or developed camping area designed to accommodate organized groups greater than eight (8) persons for overnight visits.

(14) Helispot: any Service designated location where a helicopter (or powered-lift craft) can safely take off and land.

(15)(13) Hiking ~~t~~Trail: ~~a~~A designated trail on which only pedestrian traffic is allowed.

(14) Helispot: ~~Any Service designated location where a helicopter (or powered-lift craft) can safely take off and land.~~

(16)(15) Horse: ~~a~~Any member of the equine family.

(17)(16) Horse ~~t~~Trail: ~~a~~A designated trail on which only horse traffic is allowed.

(18)(17) Hunt ~~c~~Camp: ~~a~~An area ~~consisting of~~ designated for camping during a hunting season campsites that requires ~~require~~ a ~~h~~Hunt ~~c~~Camp ~~p~~Permit for the entire length of a specific hunt ~~season (e.g. Archery, General Gun, Muzzleloader, Small Game or Spring Turkey)~~ and is available only to properly licensed hunters with applicable quota hunt permit(s).

(19)(18) Managed lands ~~Land(s)~~: ~~a~~Any land, body of water body, or facility managed, controlled, or occupied by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Florida Forest Service.

(20)(19) Motor ~~v~~Vehicle: ~~a~~An automobile, motorcycle, truck, trailer, semi-trailer, truck tractor and semi-trailer combination, or any other vehicle operated on the roads of this state, used to transport persons or property, and propelled by power other than muscular power, but the term does not include traction engines, road rollers, such vehicles as run only upon track, bicycles, or mopeds.

(21)(20) Multi-~~u~~Use ~~t~~Trail: ~~a~~A trail shared by more than one user group.

(22)(21) Nature ~~t~~Trail: ~~a~~A hiking trail to be used for environmental or forest education.

(23)(22) Non-~~m~~Motorized transportation Vehicle: ~~a~~Any non-motorized method of transporting persons or materials (which may include other items that are drawn or towed). Examples include: hiking, bicycling, paddling, other human-powered transportation, or horseback riding, wheeled

conveyance, intended for the transportation of whether human-powered, drawn or towed.

(24)(23) Off-~~h~~Highway ~~m~~Motorcycle (OHM): ~~a~~Any off-highway ~~motor~~ vehicle used off the roads or highways of this state that has a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and is designed to travel with not more than two wheels in contact with the ground, but excludes a tractor or a moped.

(25)(24) Off-~~h~~Highway ~~v~~Vehicle (OHV): ~~a~~Any ATV, two rider ATV, ROV, or OHM that is used for recreation and that is used off the roads or highways of this state and is not registered and licensed for highway use under Chapter 320, F.S.

(26)(25) Organized ~~g~~Group: ~~a~~Any organization or collection of nine (9) or more persons using managed lands for the same purpose.

(26) Primitive Camps: ~~Designated overnight areas that have limited facilities.~~

(27) Person: ~~an~~ Any individual human being or group of human beings, child, firm, association, joint venture, partnership, estate, trust, business trust, syndicate, fiduciary, corporation, and all other groups or combinations.

(28) Pet: ~~a~~An animal which is easily tamed or domesticated and kept primarily for companionship and is not a service animal.

(29) Primitive campground: a campground with no additional amenities other than a restroom.

(30) Primitive campsite: an individual campsite with no water or electricity.

(31) Primitive camp zone: an overnight camping area accessible only by non-motorized transportation that does not require a use fee or contain designated campsites, nor does it contain facilities including: showers, restrooms, running water, or electricity.

(32)(29) Recreational ~~o~~Off-highway ~~v~~Vehicle (ROV): ~~a~~Any motorized recreational off-highway vehicle as defined specified in sSections 261.03, and 317.0003, F.S. The term "ROV" does not include a golf cart as defined in ~~sSections 320.01(22) and 316.003(68), F.S., or a low-speed vehicle as defined in sSection 320.01(42), F.S.~~

(33)(30) Recreational ~~v~~Vehicle: ~~a~~A motor vehicle designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use, which has its own propulsion or is mounted on or towed by another motor vehicle.

(34)(31) Runway: ~~a~~A Service designated area that is a leveled strip of smooth ground along which aircraft take off and land.

(35)(32) Schedule of ~~f~~Fees: ~~t~~The Florida Forest Service is authorized under ~~sSection 589.011(3), F.S., to set and charge fees for the use or operation of facilities on state forest or any lands leased to the Service for management purposes. A list of the current fees can be found in the document entitled, "Fees on Florida Forest Service Managed Lands, April 14, 2016," which~~

is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference. This fee schedule can be obtained by contacting any ~~s~~State ~~f~~Forest office, the Florida Forest Service, Bureau of Forest Management, 3125 Conner Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1650, or by visiting <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06982>.

(33) renumbered (36) No change.

~~(37)~~~~(34)~~ Service animal: ~~a~~As defined in ~~s~~Section 413.08, F.S., means an animal that is trained to perform tasks for an individual with a disability. The tasks may include: ~~but are not limited,~~ guiding a person who is visually impaired or blind, alerting a person who is deaf or hard of hearing, pulling a wheelchair, assisting with mobility or balance, alerting and protecting a person who is having a seizure, retrieving objects, or performing other special tasks. A service animal is not a pet. In accordance with 28 C.F.R. §35.104 and 28 C.F.R. §35.136, a service animal whose sole function is to provide comfort or emotional support does not qualify as a service animal. A service animal must be harnessed, leashed, or tethered, unless these devices interfere with the service animal's work or the individual's disability prevents using these devices, and in that case, the individual must maintain control of the animal through voice, signal, or other effective controls.

~~(38)~~~~(35)~~ Swimming ~~a~~Area: ~~a body of water~~ ~~The area of waterbody~~ that is roped off for swimming, and may include any part of beach, shore, or other access points leading to the swimming area, as posted by the Service.

~~(39)~~~~(36)~~ Watercraft: ~~a~~Any motorized, paddle-propelled, or wind-driven means of water-related transportation.

~~(40)~~~~(37)~~ Youth ~~g~~Group: ~~a~~Any organized group of seven or more youths (under the age of 18) who are accompanied by one or more adult (18 years or older) ~~chaperones~~ ~~chaperone(s)~~.

*Rulemaking Authority 570.07(23), 589.011(4), 570.071, 589.12 FS. Law Implemented 589.04, 589.011(3), 589.071, FS. History—New 5-24-92, Amended 1-19-95, 11-6-95, 5-31-04, 3-2-09, 11-23-10, 5-16-12, 9-30-15, 8-28-16, \_*

#### 5I-4.003 Vehicular, Animal, and Pedestrian Control.

(1) All traffic laws of the State are applicable to managed lands except designated off-highway vehicle OHV recreation areas or as otherwise posted by the Service ~~provided by these rules~~.

(2) No change.

(3) The speed limit in developed recreational areas such as any type of campground, related camping facilities, and day-use day-use areas is 10 m.p.h., unless otherwise posted.

(4) through (6) No change.

(7) No person shall operate a motor vehicle on managed lands unless the vehicle displays a valid license tag and is operated by a ~~properly licensed~~ driver with a valid driver's license.

(8) through (10) No change.

(11) No person shall takeoff or land an aircraft, including any drone as defined in section 934.50, F.S., on managed lands; except at a runway or a helispot and only with authorization from the Service, ~~and~~ Such authorization shall be based upon a determination that the takeoff or landing will not endanger the health, safety, or welfare of any person; potentially damage the forest resources; or interfere with the management objectives of that forest as provided in that forest's management plan. Authorization from the Service is not required in an emergency or for Service official business.

(12) No person shall bring horses or horse trailers into a ~~campsite or campground~~ camping facilities, unless allowed in a designated campsite or campground facility or with written permission granted by the Service. The Service will grant permission upon a determination that there is no threat to public safety, or to the condition of the camping facilities and that the horses and horse trailers do not constitute a nuisance.

(13) No change.

~~(14) No person shall ride horses before sunrise or after sunset on designated horse trails that are located on designated roads.~~

(15) renumbered (14) No change.

~~(15)~~~~(16)~~ Hiking trails and nature trails are for foot traffic only unless the trails follow designated roads or are part of ~~trails~~ designated ~~for~~ multi-use trails.

(17) renumbered (16) No change.

~~(17)~~~~(18)~~ The Service will temporarily or permanently close any road, trail, facility, or area, or restrict the use thereof upon determination that there is a danger to the health, safety, and welfare of any person; potential damage to ~~the~~ resources; or when it is determined to be necessary in the proper management of the forest.

*Rulemaking Authority 589.011(4), 589.071 FS. Law Implemented 589.04, 589.071 FS. History—New 5-24-92, Amended 1-19-95, 11-6-95, 5-31-04, 5-16-12, 9-30-15, 8-28-16, \_\_\_\_\_.*

#### 5I-4.005 Protection of Managed Lands.

(1) No person shall:

(a) Enter or exit any managed lands except through designated access entrance/exit points.

(b) Enter any managed lands for the purpose of using the resources or facilities therein without paying the appropriate fee, where required ~~applicable~~.

(c) through (d) No change.

(e) Ignite or attempt to ignite any fire on managed lands except in designated areas. Designated ~~These~~ areas include: any type of campsite and related camping facilities, hunt camps, and day-use day-use areas. No person shall leave any type of campsite a camping facility, hunt camp, or day-use day-use

area, without completely extinguishing any fire started by said person.

(f) through (k) No change.

(l) Engage in disorderly conduct, as defined in §Section 877.03, F.S., on managed lands.

(m) Leave any items such as: item, including but not limited to tents, trailers, motor vehicles, off-highway vehicles, recreational vehicles, motoreycles, or other items, in a campsite, campground or related facilities, unattended before or after the registered camping dates ~~on a Florida Forest Service Registration/Receipt, self service pay envelope, or state forest authorization received from the Florida Forest Service field.~~ Any lost or abandoned property on managed lands will be secured for up to 48 hours, and after a reasonable attempt is made to identify the rightful owner, items will be disposed of in accordance with Chapter 705, F.S.

(n) Leave any items item within the boundaries of managed lands state forest boundary, including any motor vehicle, or anything attached thereto; but not limited to, licensed vehicles or trailers, any structure of any nature, or any unattended items. Items shall be removed by the person(s) who placed the items anything within the managed lands state forest boundaries. Any lost or abandoned property on managed lands will be secured for up to 48 hours, and after a reasonable attempt is made to identify the rightful owner, items will be disposed of in accordance with Chapter 705, F.S.

(o) Use a pre-charged pneumatic air gun for the purposes of target practice on managed lands except in areas designated for that purpose.

(2) The Service will allow certain activities on state forest lands ~~through issuance of a State Forest Use Permit (FDACS-11228, Rev. 07/15), hereby incorporated and adopted by reference,~~ available ~~at~~ http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref 05745. A person wishing to engage in one of the activities listed in this section must contact the local Florida Forest Service office of the forest on which the person is requesting to engage in the proposed activity. The Service will issue a State Forest Use Permit (FDACS 11228, Rev. 07/15) provided the proposed use does not interfere with management objectives of that forest as provided in the forest's management plan; create a nuisance to wildlife, other forest users, or Service staff; pose a threat to public safety; or create a risk of wildfire. Unless written permission is given by the Service, Authorization to conduct the activity will be valid only for the time, place, and manner contained in the State Forest Use Permit (FDACS 11228, Rev. 07/15) issued and only for the individual or group listed. Unless authorized by a State Forest Use Permit (FDACS 11228, Rev. 07/15), no person shall do the following:

(a) Attach or place swings, rope, wire, signs, nails, geocaches, or other contrivance, whether permanent or

temporary, on or around ~~to~~ any tree, plant, or other natural feature, or property, within managed lands.

(b) Cut, carve, mark, uproot, damage, break off limbs or branches, destroy or mutilate, or pick the flowers, seeds, or fruit of any living or dead plant or tree. Written permission to harvest flowers, seeds, or fruit, shall be granted only if the Service determines that the harvest meets the criteria of subsection (2) of this rule and the applicable fee has been paid in accordance with Rule 5I-4.002, F.A.C. The Service will define the species, quantities, and harvest areas on a case-by-case basis.

(c) Pick up or remove dead wood from managed lands, except for collecting firewood to be burned in a designated area in a campsite, campground, or primitive camp zone.

(d) No change.

(e) Remove any plant life from any managed lands. Written permission to remove plant life shall be granted only if the Service determines that the removal is for an educational or research purpose and the proposed removal meets the criteria of subsection (2) of this rule. A fee is not charged for the removal of plant life for ~~an~~ educational or research purposes.

(f) No change.

(g) Operate any drone device as defined specified in §Section 934.50(2)(a), F.S. Drones must ~~Any such device will~~ only carry a nonlethal payload.

(h) Operate a commercial enterprise on managed lands. Written permission to operate a commercial ~~commercial~~ enterprise shall be granted from the Service only if the commercial enterprise will provide a compatible service to forest visitors, the applicable fee has been paid in accordance with Rule subsection 5I-4.002(32), F.A.C., to the Service and the proposed operation meets the criteria of subsection (2) of this rule.

*Rulemaking Authority 589.011(4) FS. Law Implemented 589.04, 589.011 FS. History—New 5-24-92, Amended 1-19-95, 5-15-95, 11-6-95, 5-31-04, 5-16-12, 9-30-15, 8-28-16, \_\_\_\_\_.*

#### 5I-4.006 Recreational Activities and Facilities.

(1) Swimming and §Sunbathing:

(a) All persons shall comply with hours posted by the Service ~~during which use of swimming areas is prohibited.~~

(b) through (d) No change.

(e) Swimming will be prohibited in any ~~water~~ body of water, or portion thereof, on managed lands at any time the Service determines there is a threat to the life, limb, or property of any human being or damage to any natural or cultural resource.

(2) Boating:

(a) Boating is allowed on any ~~water~~ body of water within managed lands unless the ~~water~~ body of water is posted otherwise. Posting may include restrictions on the use and the type of watercraft propulsion system allowed.

(b) No change.

(3) Fishing:

(a) Fishing by any legal method is allowed in ~~water~~ bodies of ~~water~~ on managed lands, except where prohibited by the Service. ~~The Applicable~~ rules of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission apply.

(b) No change.

(4) Camping and Day-Use:

(a) ~~Campsites~~ ~~A limited number of camping and day use areas~~ on managed lands ~~must may~~ be reserved in advance by ~~persons~~ eighteen (18) years of age or older. Day-use area fees ~~must be paid prior to utilizing these facilities, where required.~~

(b) Camping within managed lands is authorized only in designated campsites, campgrounds, primitive camp zones, and hunt camps areas.

(c) No person shall remain in any day-use area during the times it is designated as closed unless written permission has been given ~~a State Forest Use Permit (FDACS-11228, Rev. 07/15) has been issued by the Service in accordance with subsection 51.4.005(2) F.A.C.~~

(d) No change.

(e) Camping within managed lands, except in designated hunt camps, is limited to fourteen (14) consecutive nights to prevent any camper from taking up long term camping at any one campsite and possibly displacing other campers. After fourteen (14) consecutive nights, the camper must leave the state forest for at least three (3) nights before returning for a new stay. Changing the registered name of a person ~~an individual or organized group~~ to circumvent the fourteen (14) consecutive nights, maximum length of stay is prohibited. However, based upon medium occupancy at any campground, the district or center manager has the authority to extend campsite use between fifteen (15) and twenty-nine (29) consecutive nights. Campers may not stay more than a maximum of fifty-six (56) cumulative nights during a six-month period, with those periods defined as October 1 to March 31 and April 1 to September 30.

(f) No change.

(g) Except upon determination authorization by the Service ~~and upon the Service's determination~~ that there will be no danger to the health, safety, and welfare of the campgrounds, no more than eight (8) ~~five~~ persons, with a maximum number of one (1) recreational vehicle and one (1) tent or a maximum number of three (3) tents, are allowed per campsite.

(h) Visitors of registered campers in any types of developed campgrounds are allowed provided the total number of visitors or their vehicles do not create a nuisance or hazard to other campers, interfere or obstruct pedestrian or vehicular traffic, or interfere with other ~~proper~~ uses of the campground camping facility. Visitors are prohibited during quiet time, as

defined in paragraph (4)(m) of this rule, unless otherwise posted.

(i) In accordance with ~~§~~Section 790.15~~(4)~~, F.S., it is a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in ~~§~~Sections 775.082 and 775.083, F.S., to knowingly discharge a firearm in a state forest, unless a person is lawfully defending life or property or performing official duties requiring the discharge of a firearm or discharging a firearm on public roads or properties expressly approved for hunting by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) ~~and~~ ~~or~~ the ~~Florida~~ Forest Service. State forests are public places intended and designed to be frequented or resorted to by the public. State forest campsites, campgrounds, camping areas and day-use areas, including, ~~but not limited to,~~ hunt camps, the Clear Creek Off-Highway Vehicle Area, and the Croom Motorcycle Area, are not approved for hunting with firearms, and the discharge of a firearm in these areas is strictly prohibited. In the Croom Motorcycle Area, hunting with bows, crossbows, or air guns is allowed during FWC designated game seasons. On lands designated as wildlife management areas or wildlife and environmental areas, firearms may be used as outlined in FWC ~~a~~Administrative Rule 68A-15.004 or 68A-17.004, F.A.C. ~~Note: A person in possession of a valid Concealed Weapon or Firearm License may carry concealed handguns on managed lands (including non wildlife management areas, camping areas and day use areas) under the provisions of Section 790.06, F.S., throughout the year, unless otherwise prohibited pursuant to state or federal law.~~

(j) No change.

(k) Chainsaw use in campsites and campgrounds ~~camping facilities~~ is prohibited.

(l) Persons who are not registered campers or visitors who are guests of registered campers are not allowed to park in a manner that obstructs a registered camper's use of any camping facilities or use of any other campsites.

(m) Quiet time is 10:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. Noise should not carry beyond the ~~visitor's~~ campsite during quiet ~~quite~~ time. Examples include: pet noise, generator noise, music, closing car doors, setting car alarms, etc., from within the campsite.

(n) Organized groups must have request reservations from the Service ~~or, and~~ have written authorization from the Service to use managed lands, ~~provided authorization may be given only if the proposed use will not adversely affect managed lands.~~

(5) Hunt Camps:

(a) No change.

(b) If all hunt campsites ~~camp sites~~ are occupied, then the Service may assign hunters to non-hunt campsites. The district or center manager shall designate the number of persons that will be allowed per non-hunt campsite and the normal non-hunt campsite fee shall be charged. The district or center manager



may seasonally assign underutilized designated campsites or campgrounds as hHunt cCamps and charge the applicable hHunt cCamp fees.

(c) Temporary structures may be erected in hunt camps on managed lands. Any such structure must be removed no later than six days after the end of the hunting season for which the hunt campsite authorization is issued. Persons that do not remove camping equipment, trailers, or temporary structures, by this ending date will be charged the current primitive campsite ~~camp site~~ rate per day until their removal.

(d) Hunt camp ~~campsite~~ authorizations are to be displayed on the numbered post designating the individual campsite or at a place as designated by the district or center managers.

(e) Hunt camp permits shall be issued on a renewal basis, first come, first served basis or through a lottery system, depending upon the best resource management technique for each state forest that provides hunt camps. Only one (1) hunt camp permit will be issued annually to a single household for Tate's Hell State Forest and John M. Bethea State Forest. No more than two (2) hunt camp permits will be issued annually to a single household for Withlacoochee State Forest.

(f) These hunt campsites require a hHunt cCamp pPermit for the entire length of a specific hunt and are available only to properly licensed hunters during hunting seasons. These areas are closed to camping outside of designated hunting seasons, unless written permission ~~a State Forest Use Permit (FDACS-11228, Rev. 07/15)~~ has been given ~~issued~~ by the Service ~~in accordance with subsection 51-4.005(2), F.A.C.~~

(6) Service designated Off-hHighway vVehicle areas:

(a) No person shall operate an off-highway vehicle inside the boundaries of the Service designated OHV areas unless the vehicle visibly displays a valid Service issued authorization at a location ~~as~~ designated by the Service.

(b) No person shall operate an off-highway vehicle within the Service designated OHV areas between sunset and sunrise.

(c) No change.

(d) No person shall operate an off-highway vehicle within the Service designated off-highway vehicle OHV areas unless such vehicle has a muffler system conforming to the requirements of section 261.20, F.S. ~~the Florida Highway Patrol Handbook.~~

(e) No person shall operate an off-highway vehicle faster than five (5) miles per hour inside the Service designated off-highway vehicle OHV area campground, related ~~camping~~ facilities, and day-use parking areas.

(f) No person under the age of sixteen (16) shall operate or ride an off-highway vehicle in the Service designated off-highway vehicle OHV areas without the direct supervision of an adult (a person eighteen (18) years of age or older).

(g)(~~h~~) A person who has not attained sixteen (16) years of age, operating any off-highway vehicle, must comply with the

requirements of section 261.20, F.S. ~~wear eye protection, over the ankle boots, and a safety helmet that is approved by the United States Department of Transportation or Snell Memorial Foundation.~~

(i) redesignated (h) No change.

(7) Bicycles: No person shall operate a bicycle on managed lands except on designated roads, bicycle trails or designated ~~designed~~ multi-use trails. Class 1 electric bicycles, as defined in section 316.003, F.S., are permitted in the same locations as traditional bicycles. Class 2 and Class 3 electric bicycles, as defined in section 316.003, F.S., are not permitted on designated trails and are only permitted on designated roads open to licensed vehicular traffic.

(8) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 589.011(4), 589.071, 589.12 FS. Law Implemented 589.04, 589.071, 589.19 FS. History—New 5-24-92, Amended 1-19-95, 11-6-95, 5-31-04, 3-2-09, 5-16-12, 9-30-15, 8-28-16, \_\_\_\_\_.*

#### **51-4.007 Garbage, Water Pollution and Glass Containers.**

(1) No pPerson shall transport garbage or trash in any form onto mManaged Lands.

(2) No pPerson shall dump or deposit garbage or trash on mManaged Lands.

(3) No pPerson shall dispose of garbage or trash in state dumping facilities or containers on managed lands other than that generated from recreational activities on mManaged Lands. If such dumping facilities or containers are not available, pPersons responsible for the generation of garbage or trash shall remove it from mManaged Lands.

(4) No pPerson shall throw, discharge, or otherwise place or cause to be placed in any water body of water on mManaged Lands any substance, matter or thing, liquid or solid, which will or may pollute the waters.

(5) Glass containers are prohibited in and around all waterways within the boundaries of mManaged Lands and on any other area specified by the Service.

*Rulemaking Authority 570.07(23), 589.011(4), 589.12 FS. Law Implemented 589.011(4), (4) FS. History—New 5-24-92, Amended 1-19-95, 11-6-95, 5-31-04, 5-16-12, \_\_\_\_\_.*

#### **51-4.008 Vendors; Authorizations; Fees.**

Any commercial enterprise desiring to provide animals or equipment such as horses, canoes, off-highway vehicles, or bicycles, to any person for use on managed lands shall pay any applicable fees in accordance with Rule subsection ~~51-4.002(32)~~ 51-4.002(32), F.A.C., to the Service. The commercial enterprise shall post or provide all customers with copies of general information governing use of the forest.

*Rulemaking Authority 589.011(4) FS. Law Implemented 589.04, 589.011 FS. History—New 5-24-92, Amended 11-6-95, 5-31-04, 5-16-12, 9-30-15, 8-28-16, \_\_\_\_\_.*

**5I-4.011 Penalties for Violations.**

Section 589.011, F.S., provides that the ~~Florida Forest Service~~ on behalf of the state may adopt and enforce rules necessary for the protection, utilization, occupancy, and development of state forest lands or any lands leased by or otherwise assigned to the Service for management purposes Any person violating the law will be assessed the penalty for each violation as set forth in the table below. Additionally, all violations of statute and/or rule will result in the referral to law enforcement for a trespass warning for the following terms: one year for a first offense, two years for a second offense, and three years for a third offense. Any trespasser who violates any term or condition of the trespass warning may be subject to criminal prosecution. Any person violating or otherwise failing to comply with any of the provisions of Sections 589.011, 589.071, or 590.14, F.S., or rules adopted pursuant to Section 589.011, F.S., is guilty of a non-criminal violation as defined in Section 775.08(3), F.S., punishable only by a fine not to exceed \$1,000.00.

| <u><b>VIOLATION</b></u>                                 | <u><b>PENALTY RANGE</b></u>   |                                |                                              |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
|                                                         | <u><b>FIRST VIOLATION</b></u> | <u><b>SECOND VIOLATION</b></u> | <u><b>THIRD OR SUBSEQUENT VIOLATIONS</b></u> |
| <u>5I-4.003(1)-(15) except (5) and (6)</u>              | <u>\$75</u>                   | <u>\$150</u>                   | <u>\$250</u>                                 |
| <u>5I-4.003(5)</u>                                      | <u>\$500</u>                  | <u>\$500</u>                   | <u>\$500</u>                                 |
| <u>5I-4.003(6)</u>                                      | <u>\$500</u>                  | <u>\$500</u>                   | <u>\$500</u>                                 |
| <u>5I-4.005(1)(a)-(d), (g), (j), (k), (l), (m), (n)</u> | <u>\$75</u>                   | <u>\$150</u>                   | <u>\$250</u>                                 |
| <u>5I-4.005(1)(e), (f), (h), (i)</u>                    | <u>\$250</u>                  | <u>\$375</u>                   | <u>\$500</u>                                 |
| <u>5I-4.005(2)(a)-(e)</u>                               | <u>\$75</u>                   | <u>\$150</u>                   | <u>\$250</u>                                 |
| <u>5I-4.005(2)(f)-(h)</u>                               | <u>\$500</u>                  | <u>\$500</u>                   | <u>\$500</u>                                 |
| <u>5I-4.006(1)-(8) Except (4)(i), which is _____ a</u>  | <u>\$75</u>                   | <u>\$150</u>                   | <u>\$250</u>                                 |

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| <u>misdemeanor or pursuant to section 790.15, Florida Statutes</u> |              |              |              |
| <u>5I-4.007(1)-(5)</u>                                             | <u>\$250</u> | <u>\$500</u> | <u>\$500</u> |

Rulemaking Authority 570.07, 589.011(4), 589.071 FS. Law Implemented 589.011, 589.071, ~~590.14~~ FS. History—New 5-24-92, Amended 1-19-95, 5-31-04, 5-16-12, 9-30-15, \_\_\_\_\_.

**NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:**

Alan Davis, Land Administration Manager

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

**DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD:** July 10, 2026

**DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR:** July 15, 2026

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**RULE NOS.:** **RULE TITLES:**

25-6.0435 Interim Rate Relief

25-6.109 Refunds

**PURPOSE AND EFFECT:** To update and clarify the rules following the statutory rule review mandated by Section 120.5435, Florida Statutes.

Docket No.: 20260036-OT

**SUMMARY:** These rules are being amended to make them more readable, reflect current practice, remove obsolete references, and update the rules to reflect current, widely accepted accounting guidelines. The proposed amendments to Rules 25-6.0435 and 25-6.109, F.A.C., reflect use of the AA non-financial 30-day commercial paper rate published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, rather than the rate for high-grade, unsecured note as published in the Wall Street Journal. The Wall Street Journal has not reliably published the 30-day AA non-financial commercial paper rate since September 2011. The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System publishes the 30-day AA non-financial commercial paper rate every business day (if there is sufficient trading data) and is more reliable.

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:**

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

The SERC can be viewed in its entirety on the Commission's website at file://fp3/filings/psc/library/filings/2026/03975-2026/03975-2026.pdf. The SERC examined the factors required by Section 120.541(2), F.S., and concluded that the rule amendments will not likely increase regulatory costs, including any transactional costs or have an adverse impact on business competitiveness, productivity, or innovation in excess of \$1 million in the aggregate within five years of implementation.

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 upon the information contained in the SERC.

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: 350.127(2), 366.05(1), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 366.03, 366.04(1), 366.04(2)(f), 366.06, 366.071, 367.081, 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: Susan Sapoznikoff, Office of General Counsel, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850, (850)413-6630, susan.sapoznikoff@psc.state.fl.us.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

#### **25-6.0435 Interim Rate Relief.**

(1) Each electric utility petitioning for interim rate relief pursuant to Section 366.071, F.S., must shall file the data required by paragraph 25-6.043(1)(a), F.A.C.

(2) The requested interim increase in base rate revenues must shall be divided by interim test year base rate revenues to derive a percentage increase factor. The percentage increase factor must shall be applied uniformly to all existing base rates and charges to derive the interim base rates and charges.

(3) Interim rate relief collected is subject to refund pending final order in the permanent rate relief request. Such increase is shall be subject to a corporate undertaking or under bond as authorized by the Commission and any refund must shall be made with an interest factor determined by using the AA non-financial 30-day commercial paper rate published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on its website for high-grade, unsecured notes, sold through dealers by major corporations in multiples of \$1,000, as regularly published in the Wall Street Journal. The annual rate as published on the first

day of the current business month would be added to the rate as published on the first day of the subsequent business month and halved to obtain the simple average rate to be applied in that month. This rate of interest must would be applied to the refund amount for that month. The amount of interest calculated must would be added to the beginning balance of the following month ~~so as~~ to accomplish the compounding of the interest feature of the refund provision.

Rulemaking Authority 366.05(1) F.S. Law Implemented 366.04(2)(f), 366.06, 366.071 F.S. History—New 5-27-81, Formerly 25-6.435, Amended 2-12-04, \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **25-6.109 Refunds.**

(1) Applicability. With the exception of deposit refunds and refunds associated with adjustment factors, all refunds ordered by the Commission must shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this Rule, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

(2) Timing of Refunds. Refunds must be made within ninety (90) days of the Commission's order unless a different time frame is prescribed by the Commission. Unless a stay has been requested in writing and granted by the Commission, a motion for reconsideration of an order requiring a refund will not delay the timing of the refund. In the event that a stay is granted pending reconsideration, the timing of the refund must shall commence from the date of the order disposing of any motion for reconsideration. This rule does not authorize any motion for reconsideration not otherwise authorized by Chapter 25-22, F.A.C.

(3) Basis of Refund. When Where the refund is the result of a specific rate change, including interim rate increases and the refund can be computed on a per customer basis that will be the basis of the refund. In such cases, refunds must may be made by either recalculating the affected customer's bill or by applying an appropriate refund factor to the consumption used by the customer during the refund period. However, when where the refund is not related to specific rate changes, such as a refund for overearnings, the refund must will be made to customers of record as of a date specified by the Commission. In such case, refunds must shall be made on the basis of consumption. Per customer refund refers to a refund to every customer receiving service during the refund period. Customer of record refund refers to a refund to every customer receiving service as of a date specified by the Commission.

(4) Interest.

(a) When In the case of refunds the Commission orders refunds to be made with interest, the average monthly interest rate until the refund is posted to the customer's account must shall be based on the AA non-financial 30-day thirty (30) day commercial paper rate published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on its website for high-grade,

~~unsecured notes sold through dealers by major corporations in multiples of \$1,000 as regularly published in the Wall Street Journal.~~

(b) This average monthly interest rate must ~~shall~~ be calculated for each month of the refund period:

1. No change.

2. The average monthly interest rate for the month prior to distribution must ~~shall~~ be the same as the last calculated average monthly interest rate.

(c) The average monthly interest rate must ~~shall~~ be applied to the sum of the previous month's ending balance (including monthly interest accruals) and the current month's ending balance divided by two (2) to accomplish a compounding effect.

(d) Interest Multiplier. When the refund is computed for each customer, an interest multiplier can ~~may~~ be applied against the amount of each customer's refund in lieu of a monthly calculation of the interest for each customer. The interest multiplier must ~~shall~~ be calculated by dividing the total amount refundable to all customers, including interest, by the total amount of the refund, excluding interest. For the purpose of calculating the interest multiplier, the utility may, upon approval by the Commission, estimate the monthly refundable amount.

(e) Commission staff will ~~shall~~ provide applicable interest rate figures and assistance in calculations under this Rule upon request of the affected utility.

(5) Method of Refund Distribution. For those customers still on the system, a credit must ~~shall~~ be made on the bill. In the event the refund is for a greater amount than the bill, the remainder of the credit must ~~shall~~ be carried forward until the refund is completed. If the customer so requests, a check for any negative balance must be sent to the customer within ten (10) days of the request. For customers entitled to a refund but no longer on the system, the company must ~~shall~~ mail a refund check to the last known billing address, except that no refund for less than \$1.00 will be made to these customers.

(6) Security for Money Collected Subject to Refund. In the case of money being collected subject to refund, the money must ~~shall~~ be secured by a bond unless the Commission specifically authorizes some other type of security such as placing the money in escrow, approving a corporate undertaking, or providing a letter of credit. The company must ~~Commission may require the company to~~ provide a report by the 20th ~~10th~~ of each month indicating the monthly and total amount of money subject to refund as of the end of the preceding month. The report must ~~shall~~ also indicate the status of whatever security is being used to guarantee repayment of the money.

(7) Refund Reports. During the processing of the refund, monthly reports on the status of the refund must ~~shall~~ be made

by the 20th ~~10th~~ of the following month. In addition, a preliminary report must ~~shall~~ be made within thirty (30) days after the date the refund is completed and again 90 days thereafter. A final report must ~~shall~~ be made after all administrative aspects of the refund are completed. The above reports must ~~shall~~ specify the following:

(a) through (d) No change.

(8) With the last report under subsection (7) of this rule, the company must ~~shall~~ suggest a method for disposing of any unclaimed amounts. The Commission will ~~shall~~ then order a method of disposing of the unclaimed funds.

*Rulemaking Authority 350.127(2), 366.05(1) FS. Law Implemented 366.03, 366.04(1), (2)(f), 366.06(3), 366.07, 366.071 FS. History—New 8-18-83, Amended \_\_\_\_\_.*

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:  
Matt Vogel

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Public Service Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: July 07, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: March 24, 2026 (Volume 52, Number 57)

## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

25-7.040 Interim Rate Relief

25-7.091 Refunds

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To update and clarify the rules following the statutory rule review mandated by Section 120.5435, Florida Statutes.

Docket No.: 20260036-OT

SUMMARY: These rules are being amended to make them more readable, reflect current practice, remove obsolete references, and update the rules to reflect current, widely accepted accounting guidelines. The proposed amendments to Rules 25-7.040 and 25-7.091, F.A.C., reflect use of the AA non-financial 30-day commercial paper rate published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, rather than the rate for high-grade, unsecured note as published in the Wall Street Journal. The Wall Street Journal has not reliably published the 30-day AA non-financial commercial paper rate since September 2011. The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System publishes the 30-day AA non-financial commercial paper rate every business day (if there is sufficient trading data) and is more reliable. Additionally, in Rule 25-7.040, the way the equations are displayed is amended to make them be more readable.

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 SERC can be viewed in its entirety on the Commission's website at <file:///fp3/filings/psc/library/filings/2026/03975-2026/03975-2026.pdf>. The SERC examined the factors required by Section 120.541(2), F.S., and concluded that the rule amendments will not likely increase regulatory costs, including any transactional costs or have an adverse impact on business competitiveness, productivity, or innovation in excess of \$1 million in the aggregate within five years of implementation. The proposed rule amendments would have no impact on small business, would have no implementation cost to the Commission or other state and local government entities, and would have no impact on small cities or counties.

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 upon the information contained in the SERC.

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: 350.127(2), 366.05(1), 366.071, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 366.06(3), 366.071, 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: Susan Sapoznikoff, Office of General Counsel, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850, (850)413-6630, [susan.sapoznikoff@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:susan.sapoznikoff@psc.state.fl.us).

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

#### 25-7.040 Interim Rate Relief.

(1) Each natural gas utility petitioning for interim rate relief pursuant to Section 366.071, F.S., must shall file the data required in paragraph 25-7.039(1)(a), F.A.C.

(2)(a) Interim rates must shall apply across the board based on base rate revenues for the test period less base gas revenue by rate schedule. The resulting dollar amount must shall be divided by base rate revenues per rate schedule to determine the percent increase applied to each rate schedule.

(b) In determining the interim increase, the following data must shall be provided by rate schedule: Therm sales; base rate

revenue less base gas cost; base gas revenue; total base rate revenue; purchased gas adjustment revenue; total revenue. The interim increase must shall be shown by dollar amount and percentage by rate schedule calculated in the following manner:

1. Required Interim Revenue Relief / (Base rate revenue – base gas cost) = Percentage constant

2. Percentage constant \* (Base rate revenue – base gas cost) = Dollar increase to rate schedule

3. Dollar increase / Total base rate revenue = percent increase applied to rate schedule

#### ~~I. Required Interim~~

#### ~~Revenue Relief~~

|                    |                     |   |
|--------------------|---------------------|---|
|                    | Across the board    |   |
| Base rate revenue  |                     | = |
|                    | percentage constant |   |
| less base gas cost |                     |   |

~~II. Percentage Constant~~  $\times$  ~~Base rate Revenue less base gas cost~~ = Dollar increase to rate schedule

#### ~~III. Dollar Increase~~

|                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
|                 | Percent increase |
| Total base rate |                  |
| Revenue         | applied to       |
|                 | rate schedule    |

(3) Interim rate relief collected is subject to refund pending final order in the permanent rate relief request. Such increase is ~~shall be~~ subject to a corporate undertaking or under bond as authorized by the Commission and any refund must shall be made with an interest factor determined by using the AA non-financial 30-day commercial paper rate published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on its website for highgrade, unsecured notes, sold through dealers by major corporations in multiples of \$1,000, as regularly published in the Wall Street Journal. The annual rate as published on the first day of the current business month must would be added to the rate as published on the first day of the subsequent business month and halved to obtain the simple average rate to be applied in that month. This rate of interest must would be applied to the refund amount for that month. The amount of interest calculated will be added to the beginning balance of the following month ~~so as~~ to accomplish the compounding of the interest feature of the refund provision.

*Rulemaking Authority 366.05(1), 366.071 FS. Law Implemented 366.06(3), 366.071 FS. History—New 5-27-81, Formerly 25-7.40, Amended \_\_\_\_\_.*

#### 25-7.091 Refunds.

(1) Applicability. With the exception of deposit refunds and refunds associated with adjustment factors, all refunds ordered by the Commission must shall be made in accordance

with the provisions of this rule, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

(2) Timing of Refunds. Refunds must be made within ninety (90) days of the Commission's order unless a different time frame is prescribed by the Commission. Unless a stay has been requested in writing and granted by the Commission, a motion for reconsideration of an order requiring a refund will not delay the timing of the refund. In the event that a stay is granted pending reconsideration, the timing of the refund must ~~shall~~ commence from the date of the order disposing of any motion for reconsideration. This rule does not authorize any motion for reconsideration not otherwise authorized by Chapter 25-22, F.A.C.

(3) Basis of Refund. ~~When~~ ~~Where~~ the refund is the result of a specific rate change, including interim rate cases and the refund can be computed on a per customer basis, that will be the basis of the refund. However, ~~when~~ ~~where~~ the refund is not related to specific rate changes, such as a refund for overearnings, the refund must ~~shall~~ be made to customers of record as of a date specified by the Commission. In such case, refunds must ~~shall~~ be made on the basis of consumption. Per customer refund refers to a refund to every customer receiving service during the refund period. Customer of record refund refers to a refund to every customer receiving service as of a date specified by the Commission.

(4) Interest.

(a) ~~When~~ ~~In the case of refunds which~~ the Commission orders refunds to be made with interest, the average monthly interest rate until the refund is posted to the customer's account must ~~shall~~ be based on the AA non-financial 30-day ~~thirty (30) day~~ commercial paper rate published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on its website for high-grade, unsecured notes sold through dealers by major corporations in multiples of \$1,000 as regularly published in the Wall Street Journal.

(b) This average monthly interest rate must ~~shall~~ be calculated for each month of the refund period:

1. No change.

2. The average monthly interest rate for the month prior to distribution will ~~shall~~ be the same as the last calculated average monthly interest rate.

(c) No change.

(d) Interest Multiplier. When the refund is computed for each customer, an interest multiplier may ~~can~~ be applied against the amount of each customer's refund in lieu of a monthly calculation of the interest for each customer. The interest multiplier must ~~shall~~ be calculated by dividing the total amount refundable to all customers, including interest, by the total amount of the refund, excluding interest. For the purpose of calculating the interest multiplier, the utility may, upon

approval by the Commission, estimate the monthly refundable amount.

(e) Commission staff will ~~shall~~ provide applicable interest rate figures and assistance in calculations under this rule upon request of the affected utility.

(5) Method of Refund Distribution. For those customers still on the system, a credit must ~~shall~~ be made on the bill. In the event the refund is for a greater amount than the bill, the remainder of the credit must ~~shall~~ be carried forward until the refund is completed. If the customer so requests, a check for any negative balance must be sent to the customer within ten (10) days of the request.

For customers entitled to a refund but no longer on the system, the company must ~~shall~~ mail a refund check to the last known billing address except that no refund for less than \$1.00 will be made to these customers.

(6) Security for Money Collected Subject to Refund. In the case of money being collected subject to refund, the money must ~~shall~~ be secured by a bond unless the Commission specifically authorizes some other type of security such as placing the money in escrow, approving a corporate undertaking, or providing a letter of credit. The company must ~~Commission may require the company to~~ provide a report by the 20th ~~10th~~ of each month indicating the monthly and total amount of money subject to refund as of the end of the preceding month. The report must ~~shall~~ also indicate the status of whatever security is being used to guarantee repayment of the money.

(7) Refund Reports. During the processing of the refund, monthly reports on the status of the refund must ~~shall~~ be made by the 20th ~~10th~~ of the following month. In addition, a preliminary report must ~~shall~~ be made within thirty (30) days after the date the refund is completed and again 90 days thereafter. The above reports must ~~shall~~ specify the following:

(a) through (d) No change.

(8) With the last report under subsection (7) of this rule, the company must ~~shall~~ suggest a method for disposing of any unclaimed amounts. The Commission will ~~shall~~ then order a method of disposing of the unclaimed funds.

*Rulemaking Authority 350.127(2) FS. Law Implemented 366.06(3), 366.071(2) FS. History—New 8-18-83, Formerly 25-7.91, Amended*

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:  
Matt Voge

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE  
PROPOSED RULE: Florida Public Service Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY  
HEAD: July 07, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT  
PUBLISHED IN FAR: March 24, 2026 (Volume 52, Number  
57)

## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

25-30.117 Accounting for Pension Costs

25-30.360 Refunds

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To update and clarify the rules following the statutory rule review mandated by Section 120.5435, Florida Statutes.

Docket No.: 20260036-OT

SUMMARY: These rules are being amended to make them more readable, reflect current practice, remove obsolete references, and update the rules to reflect current, widely accepted accounting guidelines. In Rule 25-30.117, F.A.C., the proposed amendments reflect use of the Accounting Standards Codification 715 (ASC 715), rather than the Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 87, Employers' Accounting for Pensions (SFAS 87). The Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) supersedes the Statement of Financial Accounting Standards as the centralized source of U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (U.S. GAAP), all updates to standards are now made to the ASC. In Rule 25-30.360, F.A.C., reflect use of the AA non-financial 30-day commercial paper rate published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, rather than the rate for high-grade, unsecured note as published in the Wall Street Journal. The Wall Street Journal has not reliably published the 30-day AA non-financial commercial paper rate since September 2011. The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System publishes the 30-day AA non-financial commercial paper rate every business day (if there is sufficient trading data) and is more reliable

## SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The SERC can be viewed in its entirety on the Commission's website at file://fp3/filings/psc/library/filings/2026/03975-2026/03975-2026.pdf. The SERC examined the factors required by Section 120.541(2), F.S., and concluded that the rule amendments will not likely increase regulatory costs, including any transactional costs or have an adverse impact on business competitiveness, productivity, or innovation in excess of \$1 million in the aggregate within five years of implementation. The proposed amendments would have no

impact on small business, would have no implementation cost to the Commission or other state and local government entities, and would have no impact on small cities or counties.

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 upon the information contained in the SERC

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: 350.127(2), 367.121, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 367.081, 367.0814, 367.082(2) 367.121, 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: Susan Sapoznikoff, Office of General Counsel, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850, (850)413-6630, susan.sapoznikoff@psc.state.fl.us.

## THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

### 25-30.117 Accounting for Pension Costs.

Any utility that has an established defined benefit pension plan as defined by the Financial Accounting Standard's Board in the Accounting Standards Codification 715 (ASC 715), dated March 2017 ~~Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 87, Employers' Accounting for Pensions (SFAS 87), dated December, 1985,~~ must ~~shall~~ account for these costs pursuant to ASC 715, as well as Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2017-07, dated December 15, 2018, and ASU 2018-14, dated August 2018, ~~SFAS 87~~ as they apply ~~it applies~~ to business enterprises in general.

*Rulemaking Authority 367.121 FS. Law Implemented 367.121 FS. History—New 11-30-93, Amended \_\_\_\_\_.*

### 25-30.360 Refunds.

(1) Applicability. All refunds under this chapter must ~~shall~~ be made in accordance with this rule, unless another rule in this chapter specifically sets forth the procedure for making refunds. The calculation for overbillings must ~~shall~~ be pursuant to Rule 25-30.350, F.A.C., and disbursed pursuant to this rule.

(2) Timing of Refunds. Refunds must be made within 90 days of the Commission's order unless a different time frame is prescribed by the Commission. A timely motion for reconsideration temporarily stays the refund, pending the final order on the motion for reconsideration. In the event of a stay

pending reconsideration, the timing of the refund ~~must shall~~ commence from the date of the order disposing of any motion for reconsideration. This rule does not authorize any motion for reconsideration not otherwise authorized by Chapter 25-22, F.A.C.

(3) Basis of Refund. ~~When Where~~ the refund is the result of a specific rate change, including interim rate increases, and the refund can be computed on a per customer basis, that will be the basis of the refund. However, ~~when where~~ the refund is not related to specific rate changes, such as a refund for overearnings, the refund ~~must shall~~ be made to customers of record as of a date specified by the Commission. In such case, refunds ~~must shall~~ be made on the basis of usage. Per customer refund refers to a refund to every customer receiving service during the refund period. Customer of record refund refers to a refund to every customer receiving service as of a date specified by the Commission.

(4) Interest.

(a) ~~When In the case of refunds which~~ the Commission orders ~~refunds~~ to be made with interest, the average monthly interest rate until refund is posted to the customer's account ~~must shall~~ be based on the AA non-financial 30-day 30-day commercial paper rate published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on its website for high-grade, unsecured notes sold through dealers by major corporations in multiples of \$1,000 as regularly published in the Wall Street Journal.

(b) This average monthly interest rate ~~must shall~~ be calculated for each month of the refund period:

1. No change.

2. The average monthly interest rate for the month prior to distribution ~~must shall~~ be the same as the last calculated average monthly interest rate.

(c) The average monthly interest rate ~~must shall~~ be applied to the sum of the previous month's ending balance (including monthly interest accruals) and the current month's ending balance divided by 2 to accomplish a compounding effect.

(d) Interest Multiplier. When the refund is computed for each customer, an interest multiplier may be applied against the amount of each customer's refund in lieu of a monthly calculation of the interest for each customer. The interest multiplier ~~must shall~~ be calculated by dividing the total amount refundable to all customers, including interest, by the total amount of the refund, excluding interest. For the purpose of calculating the interest multiplier, the utility may, upon approval by the Commission, estimate the monthly refundable amount.

(e) Commission staff ~~will shall~~ provide applicable interest rate figures and assistance in calculations under this rule upon request of the affected utility.

(5) Method of Refund Distribution. For those customers still on the system, a credit must be made on the bill. In the event the refund is for a greater amount than the bill, the remainder of the credit ~~must shall~~ be carried forward until the refund is completed. If the customer so requests, a check for any negative balance must be sent to the customer within 10 days of the request. For customers entitled to a refund but no longer on the system, the company ~~must shall~~ mail a refund check to the last known billing address except that no refund for less than \$1.00 will be made to these customers.

(6) Security for Money Collected Subject to Refund. In the case of money being collected subject to refund, the money must be secured by a bond unless the Commission specifically authorizes some other type of security such as placing the money in escrow, approving a corporate undertaking, or providing a letter of credit. The company ~~must shall~~ provide a report by the 20th of each month indicating the monthly and total amount of money subject to refund as of the end of the preceding month. The report ~~must shall~~ also indicate the status of whatever security is being used to guarantee repayment of the money.

(7) Refund Reports. During the processing of the refund, monthly reports on the status of the refund must be made by the 20th of the following month. In addition, a preliminary report ~~must shall~~ be made within 30 days after the date the refund is completed and again 90 days thereafter. A final report ~~must shall~~ be made after all administrative aspects of the refund are completed. The above reports must specify the following:

(a) through (d) No change.

(8) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 350.127(2), 367.121 FS. Law Implemented 367.081, 367.0814, 367.082(2) FS. History—New 8-18-83, Formerly 25-10.76, 25-10.076, Amended 11-30-93, 11-25-19, \_\_\_\_\_.*

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:  
Matt Vogel

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Public Service Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: July 07, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: March 24, 2026 (Volume 52, Number 57)

#### COMMISSION ON ETHICS

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

34-8.001

General

34-8.002

General Rules for Filing the CE Form 6 - Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests

34-8.008

Final Filing Using the CE Form 6F



- 34-8.009 Amended Filing Using the CE Form 6X  
 34-8.202 General Rules for Filing the CE Form 1 -  
 Statement of Financial Interests  
 34-8.208 Final Filing Using the CE Form 1F  
 34-8.209 Amended Filing Using the CE Form 1X

**PURPOSE AND EFFECT:** These amendments relate to material incorporated by reference within these rules. Each rule contains instructions on how to complete a certain type of financial disclosure form (i.e., the Form 6, the Form 6F, the Form 6X, the Form 1, the Form 1F, and the Form 1X). The purpose of the proposed amendments is to update, clarify, and re-adopt these instructions. The updates/clarifications are explained in the summary section of this Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The following changes will be made to the instructions: (1) Update the calendar years in any dates (change needed on instructions for the Form 6, Form 6F, Form 1, and Form 1F); and (2) Update and correct statutory citations (individual changes needed on the instructions for all the Forms).

#### 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: Approximately 40,000 persons are required by law to file the Form 6 or Form 1 (and related forms) each year, depending on their positions. Other than the amount of time they expend to complete the forms, any economic impact is nominal. The Commission absorbs in its annual budget the costs of creating and maintaining the electronic filing system which is used to submit the various types of disclosure filings. Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

**RULEMAKING AUTHORITY:** Art. II, Section 8, Fla. Const., 112.3144, 112.3145, 112.3147, 112.322(9), F.S.

**LAW IMPLEMENTED:** Art. II, Section 8, Fla. Const., 112.3144, 112.3145, 112.3147, F.S.

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

**DATE AND TIME:** August 28, 2026, 8:30 a.m.

**PLACE:** First District Court of Appeal, 2000 Drayton Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0950

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Diana Westberry; westberry.diana@leg.state.fl.us; (850)488-7864. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

**THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS:** Gray Schafer, Assistant General Counsel, Florida Commission on Ethics, schaffer.grayden@leg.state.fl.us; Amelia Naomi, Attorney, Florida Commission on Ethics, naomi.amelia@leg.state.fl.us; (850)488-7864

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

#### **34-8.001 General.**

(1) No change.

(2) As used in this chapter and as referenced in the electronic filing system created and maintained by the Commission as provided in Section 112.31446, F.S., unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) "CE Form 6 – Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests" means the fields of information required to complete the full and public disclosure requirements of Section 8, Art. II of the State Constitution, as set forth by the instructions available at <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19814> (1/2027)

~~<https://flrules.org/gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18508> (1/2026).~~

(b) "CE Form 6F – Final Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests" means the fields of information required to complete the final disclosure statement required by Section 112.3144(10), F.S., as set forth by the instructions available at <https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19815> (1/2027) ~~<https://flrules.org/gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18510> (1/2026).~~

(c) "CE Form 6X – Amendment to Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests" means the fields of information required on an amendment to a full and public disclosure of financial interest submitted pursuant to Section 112.3144(11), F.S., as set forth by the instructions available at <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19816> (1/2027) ~~<https://flrules.org/gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18512> (1/2026).~~

(d) "CE Form 1 – Statement of Financial Interests" means the fields of information required to complete the statement of financial interests requirements of s. 112.3145, Florida Statutes, as set forth by the instructions available at <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19817>

(1/2027) <https://flrules.org/gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18514> (1/2026).

(e) "CE Form 1F – Final Statement of Financial Interests" means the fields of information required to complete the final disclosure statement required by s. 112.3145(2)(b), Florida Statutes, as set forth by the instructions available at <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19818>

(1/2027) <https://flrules.org/gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18516> (1/2026).

(f) "CE Form 1X – Amendment to Statement of Financial Interests" means the fields of information required on an amendment to a statement of financial interests submitted pursuant to s. 112.3145(13), Florida Statutes, as set forth by the instructions available at

<http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19819>

(1/2027) <https://flrules.org/gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18518> (1/2026).

**PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 2027

*Rulemaking Authority Art. II, Section 8, Fla. Const., 112.3144, 112.31446, 112.3145, 112.3147, 112.322(9) FS. Law Implemented Art. II, Section 8, Fla. Const., 112.3144, 112.3145 FS. History–New 4-7-77, Formerly 34-8.01, Amended 8-7-94, 11-7-01, 1-1-22, 1-1-23, 1-1-24, 4-11-24, 1-1-25, 1-1-26, 1-1-27.*

### **34-8.002 General Rules for Filing the CE Form 6 – Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests.**

(1) Every person who holds an office specified in Rule 34-8.003, F.A.C., must file full and public disclosure of his or her financial interests with the Commission by July 1 of each year during which he or she is in office, and every person who held an office specified in Rule 34-8.003, F.A.C., on December 31st of a year must file full and public disclosure of his or her financial interests with the Commission by July 1 of the following year, except that candidates who have already filed with a qualifying officer as part of qualifying are not required to also file with the Commission. Full and public disclosure of financial interests means completing, through the electronic filing system created and maintained by the Commission as provided in Section 112.31446, F.S., a sworn disclosure filing, identified in the system as the CE Form 6 – Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests, showing net worth, assets, liabilities, and sources of income. The instructions for completing the Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests (1/2027) <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19820> (1/2026) <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18509>, are incorporated by reference herein and may be obtained without cost from the Florida Commission on Ethics, P.O. Drawer 15709, Tallahassee, Florida 32317-5709, and may also be downloaded from the Commission's website: [www.ethics.state.fl.us](http://www.ethics.state.fl.us). A candidate for an elective office specified in Rule 34-8.003, F.A.C., or otherwise specified by

law must file this information prior to or at the time he or she qualifies as a candidate.

(2) through (4) No change.

**PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 2027

*Rulemaking Authority Art. II, Section 8, Fla. Const., 112.3144, 112.31445, 112.31446, 112.3145, 112.3147, 112.322(9) FS. Law Implemented Art. II, Section 8, Fla. Const., 112.3144 FS. History–New 4-7-77, Amended 10-3-84, Formerly 34-8.02, Amended 8-7-94, 7-2-00, 11-7-01, 1-19-11, 1-1-12, 1-1-13, 1-1-14, 1-1-15, 1-1-16, 1-1-17, 1-1-18, 1-1-19, 1-1-20, 1-1-21, 1-1-22, 1-1-23, 1-1-24, 4-11-24, 1-1-25, 1-1-26, 1-1-27.*

### **34-8.008 Final Filing Using the CE Form 6F.**

(1) Each person who is required to file full and public disclosure of financial interests shall, within 60 days of leaving his or her public position, complete and file through the electronic filing system created and maintained by the Commission as provided in Section 112.31446, F.S., a final disclosure statement covering the period between January 1 of the year in which the person leaves and his or her last day in the position, unless he or she takes another position within that 60-day period which requires full and public disclosure. The final filing shall be identified in the system as the CE Form 6F – Final Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests. The instructions for completing the Final Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests (1/2027) (1/2026), <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19821> <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18511>, are incorporated by reference herein and may be obtained without cost from the Florida Commission on Ethics, P.O. Drawer 15709, Tallahassee, Florida 32317-5709, and may also be downloaded from the Commission's website: [www.ethics.state.fl.us](http://www.ethics.state.fl.us). The filer may include attachments or other supporting documentation when filing a disclosure.

(2) through (3) No change.

**PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 2027

*Rulemaking Authority Art. II, Section 8, Fla. Const., 112.3144, 112.31446, 112.3147, 112.322(9) FS. Law Implemented Art. II, Section 8, Fla. Const., 112.3144(5) FS. History–New 11-7-01, Amended 1-19-11, 1-1-12, 1-1-13, 1-1-14, 1-1-15, 1-1-16, 1-1-17, 1-1-18, 1-1-19, 1-1-20, 1-1-21, 1-1-22, 1-1-23, 1-1-24, 4-11-24, 1-1-25, 1-1-26, 1-1-27.*

### **34-8.009 Amended Filing Using the CE Form 6X.**

(1) At any time after submitting the CE Form 6 – Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests, a person may amend his or her original disclosure filing to add to or modify the information originally reported. Filers shall complete an amended filing through the electronic filing system created and maintained by the Commission as provided in Section 112.31446, F.S., which will allow them to access and complete the disclosure filing identified in the system as the CE Form 6X – Amendment to the Full and Public Disclosure of Financial

Interests. The instructions for completing the Amendment to the Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests (1/2027) (~~1/2026~~), <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19822>, <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18513>, are incorporated by reference herein and may be obtained without cost from the Florida Commission on Ethics, P.O. Drawer 15709, Tallahassee, Florida 32317-5709, and may also be downloaded from the Commission's website: [www.ethics.state.fl.us](http://www.ethics.state.fl.us). The filer may include attachments or other supporting documentation when filing a disclosure.

(2) through (3) No change.

**PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2027**

*Rulemaking Authority Art. II, Section 8, Fla. Const., 112.3144, 112.3146, 112.3147, 112.322(9) FS. Law Implemented Art. II, Section 8, Fla. Const., 112.3144(7) FS. History—New 11-7-01, Amended 1-19-11, 1-1-12, 1-1-13, 1-1-14, 1-1-15, 1-1-16, 1-1-17, 1-1-18, 1-1-20, 1-1-21, 1-1-22, 1-1-24, 4-11-24, 1-1-25, 1-1-26, 1-1-27.*

**34-8.202 General Rules for Filing the CE Form 1 – Statement of Financial Interests.**

(1) A person who was a local officer as defined in Section 112.3145, F.S., except for those local officers specified in Section 112.3144(1)(d), F.S., on December 31st of a year must file by July 1 of the following year a statement of financial interests on the form prescribed by the Commission, CE Form 1 – Statement of Financial Interests. A statement of financial interests means completing, through the electronic filing system created and maintained by the Commission as provided in s. 112.31446, a disclosure filing, identified in the system as the CE Form 1 – Statement of Financial Interests. The instructions for completing the Statement of Financial Interests (1/2027) (~~1/2026~~), <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19823>, <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18515>, are incorporated by reference herein and may be obtained without cost from the Florida Commission on Ethics, P.O. Drawer 15709, Tallahassee, Florida 32317-5709, and may also be downloaded from the Commission's website: [www.ethics.state.fl.us](http://www.ethics.state.fl.us).

(2) through (6) No change.

**PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2027**

*Rulemaking Authority 112.3145, 112.31445, 112.31446, 112.3147, 112.322(9) FS. Law Implemented 112.3145, 112.312(10) FS. History—New 11-7-01, Amended 1-19-11, 1-1-12, 1-1-13, 1-1-14, 1-1-15, 1-1-16, 1-1-17, 1-1-18, 1-1-19, 1-1-20, 1-1-21, 1-1-22, 1-1-23, 1-1-24, 4-11-24, 1-1-25, 1-1-26, 1-1-27.*

**34-8.208 Final Filing Using the CE Form 1F.**

(1) No change.

(2) The final filing shall be identified in the system as the CE Form 1F – Final Statement of Financial Interests. The instructions for completing the Final Statement of Financial

Interests (~~1/2027~~) (~~1/2026~~), <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19824>, <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18517>, are incorporated by reference herein and may be obtained without cost from the Florida Commission on Ethics, P.O. Drawer 15709, Tallahassee, Florida 32317-5709, and may also be downloaded from the Commission's website: [www.ethics.state.fl.us](http://www.ethics.state.fl.us). The filer may include attachments or other supporting documentation when filing a disclosure.

(3) through (4) No change.

**PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2027**

*Rulemaking Authority 112.3145, 112.31446, 112.3147, 112.322(9) FS. Law Implemented 112.3145 FS. History—New 11-7-01, Amended 1-19-11, 1-1-12, 1-1-13, 1-1-14, 1-1-15, 1-1-16, 1-1-17, 1-1-18, 1-1-19, 1-1-20, 1-1-21, 1-1-22, 1-1-23, 1-1-24, 1-1-25, 1-1-26, 1-1-27.*

**34-8.209 Amended Filing Using the CE Form 1X.**

(1) At any time after submitting the CE Form 1 – Statement of Financial Interests, a person may amend his or her original disclosure filing to add to or modify the information originally reported. Filers shall complete an amended filing through the electronic filing system created and maintained by the Commission as provided in s. 112.31446, Florida Statutes, which will allow them to access and complete the disclosure filing identified in the system as the CE Form 1X – Amendment to Statement of Financial Interests. The instructions for completing the Amendment to Statement of Financial Interests (1/2027) <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19825> (~~1/2026~~) <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18519>, is incorporated by reference herein and may be obtained without cost from the Florida Commission on Ethics, P.O. Drawer 15709, Tallahassee, Florida 32317-5709, and may also be downloaded from the Commission's website: [www.ethics.state.fl.us](http://www.ethics.state.fl.us). The filer may include attachments or other supporting documentation when filing a disclosure.

(2) No change.

**PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2027**

*Rulemaking Authority 112.3145(13), 112.31446, 112.3147, 112.322(9) FS. Law Implemented 112.3145(9) FS. History—New 11-7-01, Amended 1-19-11, 1-1-12, 1-1-13, 1-1-14, 1-1-15, 1-1-16, 1-1-17, 1-1-18, 1-1-20, 1-1-21, 1-1-22, 1-1-24, 4-11-24, 1-1-25, 1-1-26, 1-1-27.*

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:  
Gray Schafer, Assistant General Counsel, Florida Commission on Ethics; Amelia Naomi, Attorney, Florida Commission on Ethics

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Kerrie J. Stillman, Executive Director, Florida Commission on Ethics

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY  
HEAD: July 22, 2026  
DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT  
PUBLISHED IN FAR: July 15, 2026

## DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

### Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares and Mobile Homes

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:  
61B-23.001 Board of Administration and Committees;  
Fiduciary Duty

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed amendments will update the rule generally and implement section 718.112(2), F.S. (per HB 913). Changes include updating the definition of “committee meeting,” specifications as to the use of audiovisual communication platforms, and measures that must be implemented for all meetings (notices, rescheduling, inspection of meeting materials, agenda, right to speak, etc.)

SUMMARY: Rule 61B-23.001, F.A.C. addresses the requirements that govern the operation of the board of administration and committees as to condominium meetings.

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 economic review conducted by the Agency.

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: 718.112(2)(b)5.,  
718.112(2)(d)2., 718.112(2)(e)1., FS

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 718.111(1), FS.

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

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, August 13, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: CTMH Conference Room (B509), Department of  
Business and Professional Regulation, 2601 N Blair Stone Rd,  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Madison Presley, Manager I, Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares and Mobile Homes, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, (850)717-1415, madison.presley@myfloridalicense.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE  
PROPOSED RULE IS: Madison Presley, Manager I, Division  
of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares and Mobile Homes,  
Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 2601  
Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, (850)717-1415,  
madison.presley@myfloridalicense.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

Substantial rewording of Rule 61B-23.001, F.A.C. follows. See  
Florida Administrative Code for present text.

#### **61B-23.001 Condominium Board of Administration and Committees Meetings; Fiduciary Duty.**

##### (1) Definitions.

(a) “Board Meeting,” “board of administration meeting,”  
or “meeting of the board” means any gathering of the members  
of the board of directors, at which a quorum of the members is  
present for the purpose of conducting association business.

(b) “Committee meeting” means any gathering of a  
committee, at which a quorum of the committee members is  
present for the purpose of conducting association business, and  
has been properly appointed by the board to make  
recommendations to the board or take permissible action on  
behalf of the board.

(c) “Unit Owner Meeting” means a meeting of the  
members of the association at which a quorum is met and unit  
owners are entitled to attend and, when applicable, vote on  
matters properly before the membership as authorized under  
Chapter 718, Florida Statutes, the association’s governing  
documents, or applicable law; and does not include a meeting  
of the board of administration, a committee meeting, or any  
other gathering that is not a meeting of the members of the  
association.

(d) “Quarter” means every three consecutive months.

(2) Video conference. Video conference is any platform  
capable of supporting simultaneous audio and visual  
communication. Video conference platforms include, but are  
not limited to, Zoom, GoTo Meeting, Microsoft Teams, Webex,  
and Google Meet. Any meeting conducted by video conference

must be recorded, regardless of if video or audio is disabled or becomes disabled, and such recordings must be maintained as official records of the association.

(3) Access to records. Subject to reasonable rules of the association, excluding meetings closed to unit owners and records deemed not accessible to unit owners by statute, unit owners shall have the right to inspect meeting materials, agreements, contracts, and all other documents being voted upon or on agenda for discussion, prior to any meeting being held. Any record or document made available electronically shall include, or be accompanied by, either a functional hyperlink granting access to the complete version of the record, or clear instructions on how the record may be accessed or obtained in its complete form.

(4) Notice of meetings. The notice for any meeting, for the purpose of conducting any association business, must comply with the following requirements:

(a) For meetings requiring unit owner vote, other than meetings for which specific notice requirements are prescribed by the governing documents or statute, the notice must be mailed, delivered, or electronically transmitted to each unit owner, and posted conspicuously on the condominium property at least 14 days in advance of the meeting. The notice shall:

1. Specify the procedures for voting in person, by proxy, or by other authorized means.

2. Advise that proxies, when permitted, must be signed, dated, and filed with the association before the vote is taken, unless otherwise provided by the governing documents.

3. Include, or be accompanied by, a ballot or voting instrument, and, if applicable, instructions for electronic voting.

(b) The notice must include the date, time, and location of the meeting, together with any applicable telephone number, conference code, or electronic link necessary for video conference participation, and shall contain a detailed agenda of all items to be considered. Each agenda must include:

1. Clearly identified agenda items for which a vote or action will be taken. The description of each matter must be sufficiently detailed to identify the subject of the proposed vote or action and may not consist of a vague, general, or single-word reference.

2. A designated period during which unit owners may ask questions and make comments. Unit owners must be given an opportunity to speak and ask questions regarding each agenda item. For items requiring a vote, the opportunity to speak must be given prior to the board taking a vote on that item.

(c) If the board will consider a contract, agreement, or proposal relating to, or proposed to be used in connection with, a special assessment, loan, or line of credit, that will require unit owner vote, or is subject to disclosure due to conflict of interests, the contract, agreement, or proposal shall be made available for inspection and copying by all members of the

association, at least 14 days prior to the meeting, or concurrently with the meeting notice being issued, whichever occurs later.

(d) If a proposed annual budget of an association will be considered by the board or unit owners, the board shall hand deliver, mail, or electronically transmit the meeting notice and a copy of the proposed budget, and if applicable, a substitute budget, at least 14 days prior the meeting. The officer, manager, or other person providing notice required by section 718.112(2)(e), F.S., shall execute an affidavit evidencing compliance with section 718.112(2)(e), F.S.

(5) Notice of rescheduled meetings. Any rescheduled meeting must be renoticed following the procedures and notice requirements set forth in Chapter 718, Florida Statutes, and this rule chapter.

(6) Conduct of meetings. The association shall implement the following measures for all board of administration, committee, and unit owner meetings:

(a) For the purposes of establishing a quorum at any association meeting, written joinders or absentee ballots submitted by unit owners and/or board members shall not be utilized to establish a quorum.

(b) Unit owners, their authorized representatives, and the Division have the right to attend and observe all board of administration meetings, all unit owner meetings, and any committee or other meetings of the association or unit owners, unless explicitly restricted or exempted by statute.

(c) All rules adopted by the association governing the frequency, duration, and manner of unit owner participation must be applied uniformly.

(d) Any unit owner may audio or video record meetings of the board of administration, committee meetings, or unit owner meetings, subject to the following restrictions:

1. The audio and video equipment and devices unit owners utilize at any such meeting do not produce distracting sound or light emissions.

2. If adopted in advance by the board or unit owners as a written rule, anyone utilizing audio or video equipment shall:

a. Give prior notice to the board, excluding unobtrusive personal handheld devices such as a cellphone.

b. Assemble and place equipment in designated areas prior to commencement of the meeting.

c. Not be permitted to move about while the meeting is in session.

3. No association rule shall prohibit a unit owner from making an audio or video recording, nor impose restrictions so burdensome as to effectively preclude recording.

(e) Meetings held via video conference, telephone, or similar real-time electronic media shall be conducted in a manner reasonably designed to permit all unit owners to participate.



(f) Subject to reasonable rules of procedure adopted by the board, any unit owner shall have the right to speak with respect to all agenda items. Unit owners shall also have the right to ask questions concerning topics expressly addressed by statute, including but not limited to, reports on the status of construction or repair projects, the status of revenues and expenditures during the current fiscal year, and other issues affecting the condominium. The right to speak and ask questions shall be permitted whether physically present or participating by authorized electronic means. This right applies to all meetings of the board of administration and committees.

(g) The board shall make a good faith effort to provide accurate and responsive answers to questions posed by the unit owners. For purposes of this section, a "good faith effort" means an honest, reasonable, and diligent response that reasonably addresses the substance of the question, is based on all material information reasonably available at the time, and does not omit or misrepresent material facts. A good faith effort also requires disclosure of any known limitations, uncertainties, or unavailable information relevant to the response.

(h) Unless otherwise prohibited by statute, unit owners may vote electronically, by limited proxy, in person, or by video conference if the meeting is conducted via video conference.

(i) Should a board or committee member attending by video conference, telephone, or similar real-time electronic or video communication become disconnected from the meeting, the meeting minutes shall state the approximate period of the board or committee member's absence. If any technical failure materially disrupts the quorum requirement, the meeting shall be paused until the failure is resolved and/or quorum is restored. If the association is unable to resolve the failure within a reasonable amount of time, the meeting shall be adjourned and rescheduled with proper notice.

(j) The meeting minutes for any meeting held by video conference or similar real-time electronic or video communication shall reflect the method by which the meeting was conducted, identify any disruptions, and identify the board or committee member(s), if any, who attended the meeting via video conference or similar real-time electronic or video communication.

(7) Division representative attendance at meeting. When requesting the Division's attendance at a meeting, the requestor must complete the Division's online request form and submit the request with as much advanced notice as possible.

(8) Where the declaration, articles of incorporation, or bylaws preclude non-unit owners from serving on the association's board of administration, one acting under a power of attorney from a unit owner is similarly precluded from serving on the board unless he or she is a unit owner.

Rulemaking Authority 718.112(2)(b)5., 718.112(2)(c), 718.112(2)(d), 718.501(1)(g) 718.501(4)(f) FS. Law Implemented 718.111(1),

718.112(2) FS. History—New 7-22-80, Amended 7-6-81, 8-31-83, 12-4-83, 10-1-85, Formerly 7D-23.01, Amended 1-27-87, 9-7-88, 7-17-91, 12-20-92, Formerly 7D-23.001, Amended 2-22-94, 4-14-99,

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:  
Madison Presley, Manager I, Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares and Mobile Homes, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, (850)717-1415, madison.presley@myfloridalicense.com.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Melanie S. Griffin, Secretary, Department of Business and Professional Regulation

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: June 25, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: October 20, 2025 (v. 51, n. 204)

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

### Division of Environmental Health

RULE NO.: 64E-3.0032  
RULE TITLE: Radiologist Assistant Duties and Supervision.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To incorporate the national practice standards for the profession of radiologist assistant and to delete outdated provisions regarding specific duties and supervision levels.

SUMMARY: The proposed changes incorporate selected sections of the national practice standards for the profession of radiologist assistant and delete outdated provisions prescribing specific duties and supervision levels.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The department's analysis of the potential adverse impact and potential regulatory costs of the proposed rule did not exceed the criteria for a SERC established in section 120.541(2)(a), F.S. As part of this analysis, the department relied upon its own experiences with other rulemaking and licensure of this type; and the expertise and experience of the state Advisory Council on Radiation Protection (Council), whose members represent the radiologic technology and

various other radiation-related professions, and which supports this rule amendment.

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.

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: 468.302(3)(h), 468.303 FS

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 468.302(1), (3)(h) 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: Brenda Andrews, Bin C21, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1741; (850)901-6568; Brenda.Andrews@FLHealth.gov.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

#### **64E-3.0032 Radiologist Assistant Practice Standards Duties and Supervision.**

(1) ~~The duties that a radiologist assistant practice standards may perform, and the level of supervision which must be provided by the supervising radiologist, are specified in *The ASRT Practice Standards for Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy – Radiologist Assistant*, effective June 30, 2025, the “Radiologist Assistant Role Delineation – January 2005,” which is herein incorporated by reference and available at <https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19226>, except that a radiologist assistant is not permitted to:~~

(a) ~~Manage, handle~~ With regard to Clinical Activity #23, the radiologist assistant shall not administer, document, or dispose of radiopharmaceuticals or other radioactive materials, or perform nuclear medicine duties, unless the assistant is also currently certified by the Department as a Nuclear Medicine Technologist.

(b) ~~Perform radiation therapy duties~~ With regard to Clinical Activity #24, unless the radiologist assistant is also currently certified by shall only administer medications orally while under the Department as a radiation therapy technologist direct supervision of the radiologist.

(c) ~~Interpret images~~ With regard to Clinical Activity #25, the radiologist assistant shall only monitor the patient for side effects or complications of a pharmaceutical while under the direct supervision of the radiologist.

(d) ~~Make diagnoses~~ With regard to Clinical Activity #27f, the radiologist assistant shall only perform PICC (peripherally

~~inserted central catheter) placement while under the direct supervision of the radiologist.~~

(e) ~~Prescribe medications or therapies~~ With regard to Clinical Activity #28, the radiologist assistant may only perform those additional procedures authorized in compliance with the Radiologist Assistant Role Delineation; however, a radiologist assistant is prohibited from performing the duties specified in Section 468.302(3)(h)2., F.S.

(2) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 468.302(3)(h), 468.303 FS. Law Implemented 468.302(1), (3)(h) FS. History—New 5-14-07, Amended.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:

James Futch, Environmental Administrator

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

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: July 14, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: March 31, 2026

#### **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

##### **Division of Emergency Preparedness and Community Support**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64J-1.019 Emergency Treatment of Insect Stings

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To establish the approval process for programs offering certification of training in the use of prescription epinephrine auto-injectors.

SUMMARY: To delete unnecessary application fees, requirements, and forms, expand the types of health care professionals who can offer training, and simplify the process for training programs to request approval.

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 regulatory cost analysis performed during completion of the Office of Fiscal Accountability and Regulatory Reform document titled “Proposed Rule: Is a SERC Required.”

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal

for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 381.88(4), FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 381.88, 381.885, 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: Ty Carhart, Ty.Carhart@flhealth.gov, (850)558-9549.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

Substantial rewording of Rule 64J-1.019 follows. See Florida Administrative Code for present text.

**64J-1.019 Training In Emergency Epinephrine Auto-Injector Use Treatment of Insect Stings.**

(1) To obtain department approval to certify training in the use and administration of prescription emergency epinephrine auto-injectors, a training program must submit to the department at EMS@flhealth.gov a written program description that includes the following:

(a) The legal and fictitious or business name of the program, as applicable. Programs may be conducted by nationally recognized organizations experienced in training laypersons in emergency health treatment or by individuals or entities. Programs conducted by individuals or entities must include the program director's name, email address, and telephone number.

(b) The physical street address where instruction will be offered and the program mailing address, if different from the physical street address.

(c) The program website, social media address(es), and email address.

(d) Training program instructor names with licensure or certification, as applicable, of each. Instructors must be physicians, osteopathic physicians, registered nurses, emergency medical technicians, or paramedics licensed or certified by any state, territory, or possession of the United States.

(e) A description of the curriculum for each of the following sections, with the time allotted for instruction and expected learner outcomes for each section:

1. Section I - recognition of symptoms of systemic reactions to food, insect stings, and other allergens.

2. Section II - how and when to use an epinephrine auto-injector, with specific instruction for adult and pediatric use, and

3. Section III - Florida law governing the use of epinephrine auto-injectors, including but not limited to section 381.885, Florida Statutes.

(f) A description of how the program will exempt emergency medical technicians (EMTs) from the requirement to complete Section III.

(g) A description of how the training program will ensure that certificates of training are only provided to students who are 18 years of age or older and have or reasonably expect to have responsibility for or contact with at least one other person as a result of the student's occupational or volunteer status.

(h) A description of how the training program will ensure that certificates of training are only provided to students who successfully complete Sections I-III and to EMTs who successfully complete Sections I-II.

(i) A blank, voided sample of the certificate of training that is to be provided to students upon successful completion of training. The certificate of training must state on its face: "Upon presentation of this certificate, the holder is authorized to receive a prescription for one or more epinephrine auto-injector(s), and, in an emergency situation when a physician is not immediately available, to possess and administer such prescribed epinephrine auto-injector to a person experiencing a severe allergic reaction, in accordance with sections 381.88 and 381.885, Florida Statutes."

(2) Copies of training program records regarding each student must be maintained for two years following the issuance of that student's certificate of training and must be provided to the department upon request.

(3) Emergency allergy treatment training program approval expires when the training program name, training program instructor(s), training program curriculum, or form of the certificate of training changes, unless the emergency allergy treatment training program obtains the department's written approval of the change(s) not less than 45 days before or 45 days after implementing the change(s).

*Rulemaking Authority 381.88(4)(3) FS. Law Implemented 381.88, 381.885 FS. History--New 9-3-00, Amended 4-15-01, Formerly 64E-2.035, Amended \_\_\_\_\_.*

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Ty Carhart, EMS Administrator

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

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: July 14, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: March 31, 2026



### Section III

## Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

#### DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

##### Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares and Mobile Homes

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:  
61B-19.004 Educational Courses for Directors of Homeowners' Associations  
NOTICE OF CHANGE

Notice is hereby given that the following changes have been made to the proposed rule in accordance with subparagraph 120.54(3)(d)1., F.S., published in Vol. 52 No. 100, May 22, 2026 issue of the Florida Administrative Register.

##### 61B-19.004 Educational Courses for Directors of Homeowners' Associations.

This rule establishes the education and training requirements for directors of homeowners associations in accordance with section 720.3033, F.S. This rule applies to elected or appointed homeowner association directors who must complete a board member course, directors who must complete continuing education annually, and course providers seeking to offer Division-approved board member education and continuing education courses.

(1) No change.

(2) Requirements for Course and Instructor Approval.

(a) Any prospective provider seeking Division approval to provide a Division BMC or CE course shall submit a completed DBPR Form CO 6000-13, Application for Homeowners Association Board Member Certification (BMC) or Continuing Education (CE) Course Approval or Renewal, <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19622>, incorporated herein by reference and effective ~~August June~~ 2026 to CTMHPProviders@myfloridalicense.com or by creating an account through Department online services and completing an application online.

Except as otherwise provided, a completed application must include:

1. through 4. No change.

(b) through (d) No change.

(3) No change.

(4) Verification of Course Completion and Certificate of Completion.

(a) An instructor must take reasonable steps to ensure ~~verify~~ that participants have satisfactorily completed a Division-created or Department-approved CE course in its entirety before issuing a certificate of completion.

(b) No change.

(c) The instructor must retain a copy of the participation roster, course verification records, and all issued certificates of completion for a period of one (1) year from the date the course is completed. These records shall be made available to the Division upon request.

(5) No change.

(6) No change.

(7) Previously approved BMC and CE Courses.

(a) No change.

(b) No change.

(c) Educational credit earned through a Division-approved Board Member Certification (BMC) or Continuing Education (CE) course before the provider's approval is rescinded shall remain valid.

*Rulemaking Authority 720.3033(1)(d) FS. Law Implemented 720.3033(1) FS. History--New.*

NOTE: DBPR Form CO 6000-13, Application for Homeowners Association Board Member Certification (BMC) or Continuing Education (CE) Course Approval or Renewal--footer is being changed to reflect effective date of August 2026 rather than effective date of June 2026.

### 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-5.001 Safety Standards

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on July 16, 2026, the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, received a petition for Pinellas County Jail #1 at 14400 49th St. N., Clearwater, FL 33762. Petitioner seeks an emergency variance of the requirements of ASME A17.1, 2019 Edition, Section 2.7.4.1, as adopted by 61C-5.001, Florida Administrative Code that requires that requires Elevator machine rooms, control rooms, and machinery spaces containing an elevator driving machine not located in the hoistway shall have a clear headroom

of not less than 2 130 mm (84 in.), which poses a significant economic/financial hardship. Any interested person may file comments within 5 days of the publication of this notice with the Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013 (VW2026-096).

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013, [elevators.dhr@myfloridalicense.com](mailto:elevators.dhr@myfloridalicense.com).

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

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A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013, [elevators.dhr@myfloridalicense.com](mailto:elevators.dhr@myfloridalicense.com).

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Medicine

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B8-9.0131 Training Requirements for Physicians Practicing in Pain Management Clinics

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on July 21, 2026, the Board of Medicine, received a petition for variance or waiver filed on behalf of Maria Fernandez, M.D., from Rule 64B8-9.0131, F.A.C., with regard to the training requirements for physicians practicing in pain management clinics. Petitioner is requesting a permanent waiver from the residency requirement contained in the rule based upon Petitioner's collective postgraduate education, training and extensive clinical experience and/or Petitioner's residency and fellowship training. Comments on this petition should be filed with the Board of Medicine, 4052

Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C03, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3053, within 14 days of publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Morgan Rexford, MPH, Executive Director, Board of Medicine/MQA, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C03, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3253, (850)245-4131 or [Morgan.Rexford@flhealth.gov](mailto:Morgan.Rexford@flhealth.gov)

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Osteopathic Medicine

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B15-14.001 Advertisings

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on July 22, 2026, the Board of Osteopathic Medicine, received a petition for variance or waiver filed by Paul Teirstein, MD, President, on behalf of the National Board of Physicians and Surgeons (NBPAS), from Rule 64B15-14.001, F.A.C., with regard to the advertising by physicians who state or imply receiving formal recognition as a specialist. NBPAS request a waiver of the requirement of the rule that the comprehensive specialty examination be administered by the recognizing agency, thereby permitting physicians certified by NBPAS in all specialties, who otherwise satisfy Rule 64B15-14.001, to represent themselves as board certified within the State of Florida. Comments on this petition should be filed with the Board of Osteopathic Medicine, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C06, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3056, within 14 days of publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Stephanie Webster, Executive Director, Board of Osteopathic Medicine/MQA, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C06, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3256, (850)245-4161 or by email at [Stephanie.Webster@flhealth.gov](mailto:Stephanie.Webster@flhealth.gov).

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

67-48.0072 Credit Underwriting and Loan Procedures

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on July 23, 2026, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, received a petition for waiver of subsections 67-48.0072(12) and 67-21.026(10), Florida Administrative Code (effective July 6, 2022) from Burlington Post 2, Ltd., to engage the Solar Contractor and Lightning Contractor directly and to permit the solar panel installation and installation of the lightning protection system for the Development to be performed outside of the guaranteed maximum price contract with the general contractor.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Ana McGlamory, Corporation Clerk, Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, FL 32301-1329. The Petition has also been posted on Florida Housing's website at [floridahousing.org](http://floridahousing.org). Florida Housing will accept comments concerning the Petition for 14 days from the date of publication

of this notice. To be considered, comments must be received on or before 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the 14th day after publication of this notice at CorporationClerk@floridahousing.org or Florida Housing Finance Corporation, Attn: Corporation Clerk, 227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301-1329.

#### FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

##### RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

67-21.026 HC Credit Underwriting Procedures

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on July 23, 2026, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, received a petition for waiver of subsection 67-21.026(10), F.A.C. (7-8-18) and paragraph 67-21.026(13)(e), F.A.C. (7-10-25) from EHDOC Council Towers Partnership so that Petitioner may have costs outside of the Guaranteed Maximum Price contract and that the General Contractor is permitted to self-perform work exceeding a de minimis amount.

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

## Section VI

### Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

#### DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES

##### Division of Driver Licenses

##### RULE NOS.:RULE TITLES:

- 15A-6.001 Purpose
- 15A-6.002 Definitions
- 15A-6.003 Filing
- 15A-6.004 Computation of Time
- 15A-6.005 Notice of Suspension/ Disqualification
- 15A-6.006 Request for Review
- 15A-6.007 Appearances
- 15A-6.008 Recusal
- 15A-6.009 Location of Hearings
- 15A-6.010 Motions
- 15A-6.011 Notice of Hearing; Prehearing Order

- 15A-6.012 Subpoenas
- 15A-6.013 Formal Review; Introduction of Evidence; Order
- 15A-6.014 Preservation of Testimony
- 15A-6.015 Failure to Appear
- 15A-6.018 Informal Review
- 15A-6.019 Judicial Review

The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, August 14, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, Eastern Time

PLACE: Neil Kirkman Bldg, Rm B-203, 2900 Apalachee Pkwy, Tallahassee, FL 32399, or by Microsoft Teams Meeting: Join:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/252664948484940?p=e1yPkOoz5FKY0yCNZ5>

Meeting ID: 252 664 948 484 940

Passcode: LW9Yh3WA

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The workshop will address the Department's proposed amendments to Chapter 15A-6, F.A.C., and materials incorporated by reference, to update the facilitation of administrative suspension review hearings.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Tom Moffett, Bureau of Administrative Reviews, at TomMoffett@flhsmv.gov.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Attn: Title VI Coordinator, Neil Kirkman Bldg, Rm A-417, 2900 Apalachee Pkwy, Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850)617-3202. 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 HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES

##### Division of Driver Licenses

##### RULE NOS.:RULE TITLES:

- 15A-1.019 Reinstatement; Hardship
- 15A-1.0195 Right of Review

The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, August 14, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, Eastern Time

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<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/252664948484940?p=e1yPkOoz5FKY0yCNZ5>

Meeting ID: 252 664 948 484 940

Passcode: LW9Yh3WA

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** The workshop will address the Department's proposed amendments to Rules 15A-1.019 and 15A-1.0195, F.A.C., and materials incorporated by reference, regarding the review process for a person whose license has been cancelled, suspended, disqualified, or revoked and petitioning the Department for modification of an order or for reinstatement when one's driver license has been suspended, revoked, or cancelled.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Tom Moffett, Bureau of Administrative Reviews, at TomMoffett@flhsmv.gov.

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#### REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Central Florida Regional Planning Council

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

**DATE AND TIME:** July 28, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

**PLACE:** Central Florida Regional Planning Council, 555 E. Church Street, Bartow, FL 33830

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** Meeting of the Central Florida Regional Planning Council (CFRPC) Finance Committee to review annual budget items.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jennifer Codo-Salisbury, Executive Director, jcodosalisbury@cfrpc.org, 1(863)534-7130, ext. 178.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Jennifer Codo-Salisbury, Executive Director, jcodosalisbury@cfrpc.org, 1(863)534-7130, ext. 178. 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: Jennifer Codo-Salisbury, Executive Director, jcodosalisbury@cfrpc.org, 1(863)534-7130, ext. 178.

#### REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Central Florida Regional Planning Council

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

**DATE AND TIME:** Wednesday, August 5, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

**PLACE:** Hardee County Agri Civic Center, Training Room; 515 Civic Center Drive; Wauchula, FL 33873-9460

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** Regular meeting of the Central Florida Regional Planning Council (CFRPC) and/or its subcommittees.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, income, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact the CFRPC Title VI/Nondiscrimination Coordinator, Indihra Chambers, (863)534-7130, or via Florida Relay Service 711, or by email: ichambers@cfrpc.org at least three (3) days before the workshop.

La participación pública es solicitada sin distinción de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, edad, discapacidad, religión o situación familiar. Las personas que requieren asistencia bajo la Ley sobre Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (ADA) o la traducción de idiomas, de forma gratuita deben ponerse en contacto con la Coordinadora de Título VI / No Discriminación/ADA, Indihra Chambers, CFRPC a (863)534-7130, oa través de el Transmisión de la Florida 711, o por correo electronico ichambers@cfrpc.org al menos tres (3) días antes del evento o reunion.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jennifer Codo-Salisbury, Executive Director, jcodosalisbury@cfrpc.org, 1(863)534-7130, ext. 178.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Jennifer Codo-Salisbury, Executive Director, jcodosalisbury@cfrpc.org, 1(863)534-7130, ext. 178. 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: Jennifer Codo-Salisbury, Executive Director, [jcodosalisbury@cfprpc.org](mailto:jcodosalisbury@cfprpc.org), 1(863)534-7130, ext. 178.

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#### REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

##### Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

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

DATE AND TIME: August 21, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Wolf High Technology Center, Indian River State College - Chastain Campus, 2400 SE Salerno Road, Stuart, FL 34997

Remote participation remains available:

<https://meet.goto.com/268592461>

By Phone: +1(646)749-3122 / Access Code: 268-592-461

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

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Liz Gulick at (772)221-4060 or [lgulick@tcrpc.org](mailto:lgulick@tcrpc.org)

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Liz Gulick at (772)221-4060 or [lgulick@tcrpc.org](mailto:lgulick@tcrpc.org). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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#### WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

##### South Florida Water Management District

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

DATE AND TIME: Monday, August 3, 2026, 12:00 p.m.

Loxahatchee River Preservation Initiative Meeting

PLACE: Town of Jupiter Utilities Field Office, 3133 Washington Street, Jupiter, FL 33458

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This is a public meeting to discuss and consider Loxahatchee River Preservation Initiative (LRPI) business, including current and future projects and activities.

Since its inception in 2000, the LRPI has guided regional watershed restoration projects within northeastern Palm Beach County and southern Martin County. The LRPI is a multi-agency partnership between the South Florida Water

Management District, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Florida Park Service), Friends of the Loxahatchee River, Jupiter Inlet District, Loxahatchee River Environmental Control District, Martin County, Palm Beach County, South Indian River Water Control District, Town of Jupiter, and Village of Tequesta.

Members of the public are invited to attend and provide public comment.

One or more members of the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District may attend this meeting. No Governing Board action will be taken.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jenny Cadet at (561)682-6041 or [jcadet@sfwmd.gov](mailto:jcadet@sfwmd.gov). The agenda will be posted to the LRPI website at [www.LRPI.us](http://www.LRPI.us) seven days prior to the meeting.

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 seven days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Molly Brown, District Clerk, at [mobrown@sfwmd.gov](mailto:mobrown@sfwmd.gov). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Jenny Cadet at (561)682-6041 or [jcadet@sfwmd.gov](mailto:jcadet@sfwmd.gov)

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#### DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

##### Public Employees Relations Commission

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

60CC-1.001 Showing of Interest

The Public Employees Relations Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: July 30, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: This meeting will be held via the Zoom platform. Advance registration for this meeting can be accessed here: [https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_SyLViUPKRE-9g4cZ\\_pTg2g](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_SyLViUPKRE-9g4cZ_pTg2g)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing the information to join the webinar.

Those wishing to access the technology needed to participate in the meeting may appear at the Commission's headquarters at 4708 Capital Circle NW, Suite 300, Tallahassee, FL 32303.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Approval to publish the notice of proposed rule for amendments to Rule 60CC-1.001, F.A.C.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: PERC Clerk at 4708 Capital Circle NW, Suite 300, Tallahassee, FL 32303, telephone (850)488-8641, or email [PercRulesClerk@perc.myflorida.com](mailto:PercRulesClerk@perc.myflorida.com).

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: PERC Clerk at 4708 Capital Circle NW, Suite 300, Tallahassee, FL 32303, telephone (850)488-8641, or email [PercRulesClerk@perc.myflorida.com](mailto:PercRulesClerk@perc.myflorida.com). If you are hearing or speech-impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice). 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: Leon Melnicoff, rules attorney, at (850)488-8641.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

##### Board of Accountancy

The Florida Board of Accountancy Educational Advisory Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: August 12, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

PLACE: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Join:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/210805307440830?p=gVKmxvYilCZJbfWp7Q>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Educational Advisory Committee meets to consider items relating to the education requirements.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Karan Lee, Florida Board of Accountancy, 240 NW 76th Drive, Suite A, Gainesville, Florida 32607

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: Karan Lee. 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: Karan Lee

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The Department of Environmental Protection's Siting Coordination Office announces a hearing to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: October 22, 23, and 26-29, 2026, 9:00 a.m. Testimony from the Public will be received on October 27, 2026, 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, Miami Airport & Convention Center, 711 Northwest 72nd Avenue, Miami, FL 33126

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: On May 20, 2026, Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) filed a transmission line certification application (Siting Application No. TA26-21, OGC Case No. 26-1490), with the Department of Environmental Protection (Department) for authorization to construct, operate, and maintain two new 500-kilovolt (kV) electrical transmission lines and two new 230 kV electrical transmission lines, to be located in a single corridor that will extend from the existing Andytown substation in Broward County to the planned Oasis substation in Miami-Dade County. The Site Certification Application is available for public inspection on the Department's website at <https://floridadep.gov/water/siting-coordination-office/content/fpl-andytown-oasis-500kv-transmission-line-project> and during normal business hours at the following physical locations: Florida Department of Environmental Protection Siting Coordination Office at 2600 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-2400; Southeast District Office, 3301 Gun Club Rd, MSC 7210-1, West Palm Beach FL 33406; Florida Power & Light Company 700 Universe Boulevard, Juno Beach FL 33408; Miami-Dade Main Public Library, 101 W Flagler Street, Miami, FL 33130; Broward County Main Library, 100 S Andrews Avenue 6th Floor, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301.

Once issued, the Departments Project Analysis Report will be available for public inspection on its website at: <https://floridadep.gov/water/siting-coordination-office/content/fpl-andytown-oasis-500kv-transmission-line-project>.

The case is pending before the Division of Administrative Hearings, Case No 26-2609TL, prior to action by the Governor and Cabinet pursuant to the Florida Electrical Transmission Line Siting Act, Chapter 403, Part II, Florida Statutes (F.S.). Administrative Law Judge Francine M. Ffolkes will conduct a hearing to take written or oral testimony on the environmental effects and any other matters appropriate to the consideration of the corridor and whether to approve the site certification of the proposed FPL Andytown to Oasis Transmission Line Corridor pursuant to the Florida Electrical Transmission Line Siting Act, Sections 403.52-.5365, F.S. The Public Service Commission has previously determined the need for the facility at a separate hearing, and the need determination will not be an issue at this hearing.

Following the hearing, Judge Francine M. Ffolkes will prepare a Recommended Order for submission to and final action by the Governor and Cabinet acting as the Siting Board. Pursuant to Section 403.527(2)(a), F.S., parties to the proceeding shall include the applicant, the Public Service Commission, the

Department of Commerce, the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the South Florida Water Management District, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of Transportation, Broward County, Miami-Dade County, and the Town of Southwest Ranches.

Any party listed in Section 403.527(2)(a), F.S., other than the Department or the applicant, may waive its right to participate in these proceedings if such party fails to file a notice of its intent to be a party on or before the 30th day prior to the certification hearing. In addition, notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 120, F.S., upon the filing with the administrative law judge of a notice of intent to be a party no later than 30 days before the certification hearing, the following shall also be parties to the proceeding: any agency not listed in Section 403.527(2)(a), F.S., as to matters within its jurisdiction; any domestic nonprofit corporation or association formed, in whole or in part, to promote conservation or natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health, or other biological values; to preserve historical sites; to promote consumer interests; to represent labor, commercial, or industrial groups; or to promote comprehensive planning or orderly development of the area in which the proposed electrical transmission line is to be located. Other parties may include any person, including those persons listed herein who have failed to timely file a notice of intent to be a party, whose substantial interests are affected and being determined by the proceeding and who timely file a motion to intervene pursuant to Chapter 120, F.S., and applicable rules. Intervention pursuant to Section 403.527(2)(c), F.S., may be granted at the discretion of the designated administrative law judge and upon such conditions as he or she may prescribe any time prior to 30 days before the commencement of the certification hearing. Motions to intervene must be filed (received) with Administrative Law Judge Francine M. Ffolkes, Division of Administrative Hearings, 2001 Drayton Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32311, at least 30 days prior to commencement of the certification hearing, and must contain the following: reference to the application number; the case number of the Division of Administrative Hearings; the name, address, and telephone number of the person filing the motion; and, allegations sufficient to demonstrate that the person filing the motion is entitled to participate in the hearing. Copies must be sent by mail to the applicant and all parties. A list of parties may be obtained from the Department's Siting Coordination Office at Bob Martinez Center, 2600 Blair Stone Road, M.S. 3500, Tallahassee, FL 32399-2400, [SCO@FloridaDEP.gov](mailto:SCO@FloridaDEP.gov).

Those wishing to intervene in these proceedings, unless appearing on their own behalf, must be represented by an attorney or other person who can be determined to be qualified to appear in administrative proceedings pursuant to Chapter 120, F.S., or Rule 28-106.106, F.A.C.

The certification hearing may be cancelled in accordance with Section 403.527(6)(a), F.S.: "No later than 29 days before the certification hearing, the department or the applicant may request that the administrative law judge cancel the certification hearing and relinquish jurisdiction to the department if all parties to the proceeding stipulate that there are no disputed issues of material fact or law to be raised at the certification hearing, and if sufficient time remains for the applicant and the department to publish public notices of the cancellation of the hearing at least 3 days prior to the scheduled date of the hearing." If the Administrative Law Judge grants the request, the Department will prepare and issue a final order in accordance with Section 403.529(1)(a), F.S.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Nate Senn, Siting Coordination Office, Department of Environmental Protection, Bob Martinez Center, 2600 Blair Stone Road, M.S. 3500, Tallahassee, FL 32399-2400, (850)717-9111, [SCO@FloridaDEP.gov](mailto:SCO@FloridaDEP.gov).

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Nate Senn, Siting Coordination Office, Department of Environmental Protection, Bob Martinez Center, 2600 Blair Stone Road, M.S. 3500, Tallahassee, FL 32399-2400, (850)717-9111, [SCO@FloridaDEP.gov](mailto:SCO@FloridaDEP.gov). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Nate Senn, Siting Coordination Office, Department of Environmental Protection, Bob Martinez Center, 2600 Blair Stone Road, M.S. 3500, Tallahassee, FL 32399-2400, (850)717-9111, [SCO@FloridaDEP.gov](mailto:SCO@FloridaDEP.gov).

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

##### Division of Medical Quality Assurance

The Electrolysis Council, under the Board of Medicine announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 05, 2026, 03:00 p.m., ET

PLACE: Conference Calls: You can dial in using your phone.

Access Code: 425-309-125

United States: +1(224)501-3412

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:  
General Business Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: The Electrolysis Council, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C05, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3255, by calling the council office at (850)245-4373 or by visiting the website: <http://www.floridahealth.gov/licensing-and-regulation/electrolysis/index.html>



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 Department of Health at (850)245-4444. 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.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

##### Board of Osteopathic Medicine

The Florida Board of Osteopathic Medicine - Probable Cause Panel announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, August 13, 2026, 3:00 p.m. ET

PLACE: You may join the meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone through the following

link: <https://meet.goto.com/594019581>.

You may also join the meeting using your phone at the following number(s):

United States (Toll Free): 1(866)899-4679

United States: +1(571)317-3116

Access code: 594-019-581

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The panel will conduct a meeting related to public disciplinary cases.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Tamecia Blackman at (850)558-9893 or emailing at [Tamecia.Blackman@flhealth.gov](mailto:Tamecia.Blackman@flhealth.gov)

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Tamecia Blackman at (850)558-9893 or emailing at [Tamecia.Blackman@flhealth.gov](mailto:Tamecia.Blackman@flhealth.gov). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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: Tamecia Blackman at (850)558-9893 or emailing at [Tamecia.Blackman@flhealth.gov](mailto:Tamecia.Blackman@flhealth.gov)

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#### FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: August 5, 2026, 9:00 a.m., CDT (10:00 a.m. EDT)

PLACE: Panama City Beach Conference Center at Edgewater Beach & Golf Resort, 520 Richard Jackson Blvd. Panama City Beach, FL 32407

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) will have a meeting to review and discuss substantive and procedural issues associated with the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and to take action on proposed rules and policy issues. The meeting may include fact finding field trips to Commission managed areas or facilities and to other areas to learn generally about management, and enforcement activities.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian St., Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600 or at <https://myfwc.com/about/commission/commission-meetings/>.

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: the ADA Coordinator, at (850)488-6411. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600 or (850)488-4676.

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#### SENIOR CONNECTION CENTER, INC.

The Senior Connection Center announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED MEETING, August 31, 2026 (formerly August 28, 2026), 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Virtual Meeting (via Zoom)

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED MEETING

Please take notice that the August 28, 2026 meeting of Senior Connection Center's Financial Planning & Accounting Committee has been moved to August 31, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.

This is a virtual meeting and members of the public who wish to attend should contact Paula Nelson via email at

paula.nelson@sccmail.org or by phone at (813)676-5583 no later than 9:00 am the day of the meeting to receive the meeting link and access information.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Paula Nelson via email at paula.nelson@sccmail.org or by phone at (813)676-5583

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 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Paula Nelson via email at paula.nelson@sccmail.org or by phone at (813)676-5583. 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: Paula Nelson via email at paula.nelson@sccmail.org or by phone at (813)676-5583

## Section VII

### Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

#### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

FSC - Financial Institution Regulation

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Office of Financial Regulation has received the petition for declaratory statement from Mineral Bank LLC. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of section 655.922, Florida Statutes, as it applies to the petitioner.

On 7/17/2026, the Office of Financial Regulation received a Petition for Declaratory Statement from Mineral Bank LLC. The petition seeks a declaratory statement from the Office on whether section 655.922, Florida Statutes permits Petitioner to lawfully operate under the name Mineral Bank LLC in Florida. Except for good cause shown, motions for leave to intervene must be filed within 21 days after publication of this notice.

A copy 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 EDUCATION

University of Florida

UF-709 Norman Fixel Institute for Neurological Diseases - Professional Selection

NOTICE TO PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS:

The University of Florida Board of Trustees announces that Professional Services in the discipline of Architecture will be required for the project listed below:

Project: UF-709, Norman Fixel Institute for Neurological

Diseases (University of Florida, Fixel Campus, Gainesville, FL)

The University of Florida's Fixel Institute for Neurological Diseases is expanding its campus, which is located minutes from the main Gainesville campus, to solidify its position as a global epicenter for treating and researching Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, ALS, and other complex neurodegenerative diseases. This project will facilitate the Institute's guiding principle, "the patient is the sun," to deliver unparalleled interdisciplinary care through both development of a new comprehensive campus master plan as well as the design of a new building that integrates advanced clinical services, transformative research, and next-generation education.

The Fixel Institute was founded in 2019 as a further development of the Center for Movement Disorders and Neurorestoration and has since grown to house more than 200 neurologists, neurosurgeons, researchers, rehab therapists, social workers, geneticists, nutritionists, and more. This project will support the continued growth of the Institute by providing a new facility that contains advanced neuroimaging suites, adaptable research labs, an infusion center, and collaborative spaces designed to integrate clinical care, research, community engagement, and scientific discovery. A successful new facility will shape the identity of the Institute, establishing "Fixel" as a household name.

The estimated construction budget is approximately \$96,500,000 which may include, but need not be limited to, upgrades to the existing facilities; a new facility with all utilities, connections, fixed equipment and furniture; and full landscape design including hardscaping and pedestrian connections, associated roadwork, parking, stormwater solutions, and monumental signage.

The selected architect/engineer(s) will provide, as directed by the University, either or both of (i) Master Planning services for the Fixel campus, or (ii) design services for the new facility, including programming, developing the Basis of Design, cost estimating, all phases of design, construction administration, substantial and final completion, and post-occupancy services. Basic Services for the new facility – and, therefore, proposed teams – shall include the following disciplines: cost estimating, telecommunications, security, access control, and lab planning. For clarity, the University reserves the right to award two contracts: one for Master Planning only services and one for all aspects of design and administration of the new facility, including post-occupancy services. Additional information will be shared with shortlisted teams.

The project will be delivered using the Construction Manager At-Risk method. GBI Three Globes Green Globes Certification is the required sustainable certification for this project.

Blanket design professional liability insurance will be required from the architect, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, fire

protection, structural, and civil engineering consultants for this project and will be provided as a part of Basic Services. The selected applicant will also be required to provide insurance coverage for General Liability, Automotive Liability, and Workers' Compensation.

Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of their past performance, experience, personnel, design ability, references, workload, and responses to questions posed both in the shortlist and interview phases. The qualifications packages will be scored for the shortlist and after the presentations, the Selection Committee will rank the teams and determine whether to award a single contract or two contracts (Master Planning only and another for all aspects of design and administration of the new facility). The Selection Committee may reject all proposals and stop the selection process at any time.

At the time of application, the applicant and its landscape architectural and engineering consultants must possess current design licenses from the appropriate governing board and be properly registered to practice its profession in the State of Florida. If the applicant is a corporation, it must be chartered by the Florida Department of State to operate in Florida.

Applicants desiring to provide professional services for the project shall submit a qualifications package only after thoroughly reviewing the Project Fact Sheet, and other background information. The qualifications package shall be prepared as specified in the PQS Instructions and shall include:

1. A Letter of Application that concisely illustrates the applicant's understanding of the scope of services, design intent, schedule, and other goals and considerations as outlined in the Project Fact Sheet.
2. A completed, project-specific "Professional Qualifications Supplement" (PQS) proposal with signed certification.
3. Resumes, sustainability accreditation, and other pertinent credentials for all proposed staff (applicant and consultants).
4. Proof of the applicant's corporate status in Florida (if applicable) and copies of current licenses for applicant and all engineering and landscape architecture consultants from the appropriate governing board.
5. Proof of the applicant's and all engineering consultants' ability to be insured for the level of professional liability coverage demanded for this project.

As required by Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, an applicant may not submit a qualifications package for this project if it is on the convicted vendor list for a public entity crime committed within the past 36 months. The selected professional must warrant that it will neither utilize the services of, nor contract with, any supplier, subcontractor, or consultant in excess of \$15,000.00 in connection with this project for a period of 36 months from the date of their being placed on the convicted vendor list.

Incomplete qualifications packages will be disqualified. Submittal materials will not be returned.

Additional information to assist the applicant in preparing a complete qualifications package – including the project-specific PQS forms, instructions, Project Fact Sheet, UF Design and Commissioning Services Guide, UF Design and Construction Standards, standard University of Florida Owner-Professional agreement, and other project and process information – can be found on the Planning Design & Construction website.

Finalists may be provided with supplemental interview requirements and criteria as needed.

Provide the number of copies prescribed in the Project Fact Sheet. Submittals must be received via email to the Planning Design & Construction department by 3:00 PM local time, on Thursday, August 20, 2026.

UF Planning Design & Construction  
245 Gale Lemerand Drive / P.O. Box 115050  
Gainesville, FL 32611-5050  
(352)273-4000  
<https://pdc.ufl.edu/>

## Section XII Miscellaneous

### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Index of Administrative Rules Filed with the Secretary of State Pursuant to subparagraphs 120.55(1)(b)7. – 8., F.S., the below list of rules were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State between 3:00 p.m., Friday, July 17, 2026, and 3:00 p.m., Thursday, July 23, 2026.

| Rule No.   | File Date | Effective Date |
|------------|-----------|----------------|
| 33-103.002 | 7/17/2026 | 8/6/2026       |
| 33-103.005 | 7/17/2026 | 8/6/2026       |
| 33-103.006 | 7/17/2026 | 8/6/2026       |
| 33-103.007 | 7/17/2026 | 8/6/2026       |
| 33-103.011 | 7/17/2026 | 8/6/2026       |
| 33-103.013 | 7/17/2026 | 8/6/2026       |
| 33-103.014 | 7/17/2026 | 8/6/2026       |
| 33-103.015 | 7/17/2026 | 8/6/2026       |
| 33-507.201 | 7/20/2026 | 8/9/2026       |
| 60S-11.001 | 7/17/2026 | 8/6/2026       |
| 60S-11.002 | 7/17/2026 | 8/6/2026       |
| 60S-11.004 | 7/17/2026 | 8/6/2026       |
| 62-304.100 | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-304.300 | 7/17/2026 | -              |

| 62-304.305                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
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| 62-304.310                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-304.315                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-304.325                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-304.330                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-304.810                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-330.021                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-330.052                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-330.302                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-330.320                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-330.401                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-330.437                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-330.603                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-330.630                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-330.631                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-330.632                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-340.750                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-342.100                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
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| 62-342.400                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-342.450                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-342.650                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-342.700                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-342.750                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-342.800                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 62-342.850                                                                                                              | 7/17/2026 | -              |
| 63C-1.001                                                                                                               | 7/23/2026 | 8/12/2026      |
| 63C-1.002                                                                                                               | 7/23/2026 | 8/12/2026      |
| 63C-1.003                                                                                                               | 7/23/2026 | 8/12/2026      |
| 63C-2.001                                                                                                               | 7/22/2026 | 8/11/2026      |
| 63C-2.002                                                                                                               | 7/22/2026 | 8/11/2026      |
| 64B9-8.006                                                                                                              | 7/22/2026 | 8/11/2026      |
| 64B15-9.0085                                                                                                            | 7/21/2026 | 8/10/2026      |
| 64B15-12.005                                                                                                            | 7/21/2026 | 8/10/2026      |
| 64B16-26.351                                                                                                            | 7/17/2026 | 8/6/2026       |
| <b>LIST OF RULES AWAITING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL SECTIONS 120.541(3), 373.139(7) AND/OR 373.1391(6), FLORIDA STATUTES</b> |           |                |
| Rule No.                                                                                                                | File Date | Effective Date |
| 14-10.0043                                                                                                              | 4/11/2025 | **/**/****     |
| 65C-9.004                                                                                                               | 3/31/2022 | **/**/****     |
| 69C-2.004                                                                                                               | 11/5/2025 | **/**/****     |

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| 69C-2.005 | 11/5/2025 | **/**/**** |
| 69C-2.016 | 11/5/2025 | **/**/**** |
| 69C-2.022 | 11/5/2025 | **/**/**** |
| 69C-2.026 | 11/5/2025 | **/**/**** |
| 69C-2.034 | 11/5/2025 | **/**/**** |
| 69C-2.035 | 11/5/2025 | **/**/**** |

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY  
FLORIDA CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION NOTICE (FCEN)  
City of Bowling Green

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has determined that the City of Bowling Green's project, located in Hardee County, for project consisting of replacing deteriorated and obsolete water mains made of ductile iron and galvanized pipes and installing new isolation valves throughout the distribution system to improve overall system performance, operational reliability, and long-term sustainability is not expected to generate controversy over potential environmental effects. The total estimated construction cost is \$7,690,800. The project may qualify for a Drinking Water SRF loan composed of federal and state funds. DEP will consider public comments about the environmental impacts of the proposed projects that are postmarked or delivered at the address below within 30 days of this notice. A copy of the FCEN can be obtained by writing to: Raihan Uddin, DEP, 3900 Commonwealth Blvd., MS 3505, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, or calling (850)245-2912 or emailing Raihan.Uddin@FloridaDEP.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF AMENDED APPLICATION FOR  
TRANSMISSION LINE CERTIFICATION TO INCLUDE  
REQUEST FOR VARIANCE

On May 20, 2026, the Department of Environmental Protection (Department) received an application from Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) for certification of a transmission line corridor pursuant to the Florida Electric Transmission Line Siting Act (TLSA), section 403.52 et seq., Florida Statutes (F.S.), concerning the Andytown-Oasis 500/230 kilovolt (kV) Transmission Line project, Transmission Line Siting Application No. TA26-21 (Application), OGC Case No. 26-1490, DOAH Case No. 26-002609TL. The Department is coordinating the review of the Application pursuant to the TLSA. FPL is seeking certification for the construction, operation, and maintenance of two new 500 kV and two new 230 kV transmission lines, connecting the existing Andytown Substation in Broward County to the planned Oasis Substation in Miami-Dade County. The total length of the proposed transmission line corridor to be certified is 31.2 miles. FPL has

amended its Application to include a request for variance from the filling and excavation restrictions contained in Miami-Dade County Code Chapter 33B for the East Everglades Zoning Overlay, pursuant to sections 403.531(2)(b), and 403.201(1)(c), F.S., and subsection

62-110.104(1), F.A.C. A copy of the Application for certification is available for review at the Siting Coordination Office, Department of Environmental Protection, 2600 Blair Stone Road, M.S. 3500, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400, (850)717-9000 or online at <https://floridadep.gov/water/siting-coordination-office/content/fpl-andytown-oasis-500kv-transmission-line-project>. Pursuant to section 403.526, F.S., and Rule 62-17, Florida Administrative Code, statutory agency parties to the site certification proceeding will review the application and submit their reports and recommendations. A notice of hearing, setting out the date and location of the certification hearing, will be issued by the administrative law judge at a later date. Pursuant to section 403.527(2)(a), F.S., parties to the proceeding shall include the applicant, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Public Service Commission, the Department of Commerce, the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the Department of Transportation, the South Florida Water Management District, Miami-Dade County, Broward County, and the Town of Southwest Ranches. Any party listed in section 403.527(2)(a), F.S., other than the Department of Environmental Protection or the applicant, may waive its right to participate in the proceeding if it fails to file a notice of its intent to be a party on or before the 30th-day prior to the certification hearing. The following shall also be parties to the certification proceeding upon filing a notice of intent to be a party no later than 30 days before the certification hearing: any agency not listed in section 403.527(2)(a), F.S., as to matters within its jurisdiction; any domestic nonprofit corporation or association formed, in whole or in part to promote conservation of natural beauty; to protect the environment, personal health, or other biological values; to preserve historical sites; to promote consumer interests; to represent labor, commercial, or industrial groups; or to promote comprehensive planning or orderly development of the area in which the proposed transmission line or corridor is to be located. Any person, who is not a statutory party to the certification proceeding and whose substantial interest may be affected by the determination in this proceeding, may file a motion to intervene at least 30 days before the date of the certification hearing. Any agency whose properties or works may be affected shall become a party upon the request of the agency or any party to this proceeding. Failure to act within the time frame constitutes a waiver of the right to become a party. Motions to Intervene must be filed (received) with the Administrative Law Judge Francine M. Ffolkes, Division of Administrative Hearings, 2001 Drayton Drive, Tallahassee,

Florida 32311. Pursuant to section 403.527(6), F.S., if all parties to the proceeding stipulate that there are no disputed issues of fact or law to be raised at the certification proceeding, the certification hearing may be cancelled.

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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.

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