

Section I

Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

FLORIDA GAMING CONTROL COMMISSION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

75-5.004 Temporary Occupational Licenses

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rulemaking amends the temporary license provisions of Commission rule to authorize occupational license applicants without any disqualifying convictions in the ten years preceding the application date to obtain a ninety-day temporary license while the Commission reviews the entire three-year occupational license application and updates the incorporated form.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Occupational Licensing

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 16.712(2)(a), 550.0251(3), 550.105(2)(b), (6) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 16.712(1)(a), 550.0251, 550.105 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: Shireen Anbardan, Chief Attorney, Florida Gaming Control Commission, 4070 Esplanade Way, Suite 250, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. Tel: (850)794-8079. Email: Shireen.Anbardan@flgaming.gov.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS AVAILABLE AND CAN BE OBTAINED, AT NO CHARGE, FROM THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED ABOVE.

FLORIDA GAMING CONTROL COMMISSION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

75-14.007 Business Occupational License
Requirements for an Independent Testing
Laboratory

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rulemaking amends Commission rule to align with the statutory requirements for independent testing laboratories, updates statutory citations, and corrects typographical errors.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Pari-Mutuel Wagering Facility Slot Machine Operations

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 551.103(1), 551.122 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 551.103(1)(a), (b), (c), 551.107, 551.108 FS.

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Section II

Proposed Rules

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Child Support Program

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

12E-1.011 Lottery Intercept

12E-1.032 Electronic Remittance of Support Payments

12E-1.039 Request for Services

12E-1.041 Review for Modification of Support Order

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed amendment of Rule 12E-1.011, F.A.C. (Lottery Intercept), is to reflect the procedure specified in the Department's 2024 Interagency Agreement with the Department of the Lottery and incorporate the Verification of Past Due Support Lottery Intercepts form (CS-EF161). The purpose of the proposed Rule 12E-1.032, F.A.C. (Electronic Remittance of Support Payments), is to update procedure, outline the requirements to electronically remit payments by ACH Debit, revise forms (CS-FM42, CS-FM43, and CS-FM47), and remove an obsolete form (CS-FM48). The purpose of the proposed amendment of Rule 12E-1.039, F.A.C. (Request for Services), is to clarify the information the Department needs to begin providing services and to amend the Request for More Information form (CS-ES54). The purpose of proposed Rule 12E-1.041, F.A.C. (Review for Modification), is to update procedure, clarify the requirement to document a change in circumstances, and revise forms (CS-POBB, CS-POBC, and CS-POBJ).

SUMMARY: The proposed amendments to Rule 12E-1.011, F.A.C. (Lottery Intercept), update procedure in accordance with the Department's 2024 Interagency Agreement with the Department of the Lottery and incorporate an amended verification of past due support form. The proposed amendments to Rule 12E-1.032, F.A.C. (Electronic Remittance

of Support Payments), update the current procedure to include requirements for remitting payments by ACH Debit, incorporate revised forms, and remove an obsolete form. The proposed amendments to Rule 12E-1.039, F.A.C. (Request for Services), clarify the information the Department needs to begin providing services and incorporate a revised request for information form. The proposed amendments to Rule 12E-1.041, F.A.C. (Review for Modification of Support Order), reflect current procedure, clarify requirements for documentation of circumstance change, and incorporate revised declaration of circumstance change and support order review notification forms.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: 1) no requirement for the Statement of Economic Regulatory Costs (SERC) was triggered under Section 120.541(1), F.S.; and 2) based on past experiences regarding rules of this nature, the adverse impact or regulatory cost, if any, do not exceed nor would exceed any one of the economic analysis criteria in a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs, as set forth in Section 120.541(2)(a), F.S.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 61.1824(6)(b), 409.2557(3), 409.2563(16), FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 24.115(4), 61.1824(6), 61.30(1)(c), 409.2563, 409.2564(11)(a), and 409.2567, 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: Donna Vela, Government Analyst II, Child Support Program, Department of Revenue, P.O. Box 8030, Mail Stop 2-4464, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8030, Telephone: (850)617-8129 or email Donna.Vela@floridarevenue.com.

THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

12E-1.011 Lottery Intercept.

(1) No change.

(2) Definitions. As used in this rule:

(a) "Obligor" means a person responsible for making payments pursuant to an order establishing, enforcing, or modifying an obligation for child support, ~~spousal support~~, or for child and spousal support when enforced by the Department.

(b) "Past-due support" means the amount of support owed pursuant to an order for child support, ~~spousal support~~, or for child and spousal support when enforced by the Department that has not been paid. Also included in past-due support are amounts owed to the Department for court or administrative costs.

(c) No change.

(3) Procedure. Certification of Past Due Support. ~~The Department certifies all parents who owe a past due amount for lottery intercept. Prior to the payment of a prize to any obligor owing past due support, the Department of the Lottery will verify the information provided by the Department to determine if past due support is owed. Upon the request of the Department of the Lottery, the Department will provide written certification that the obligor owes past due support and specify the amount owed. Upon receipt of such written certification from the Department, the Department of the Lottery will transmit the prize money, not to exceed the amount certified as past due support, to the Department.~~

(a) Pursuant to section 24.115, F.S., the Department transmits data to the Department of the Lottery identifying obligors who owe past-due support for the Department of the Lottery to compare with personally identifying information provided by claimants of prizes equal to or greater than \$600.

(b) If the Department of the Lottery determines that a claimant is an obligor who owes past-due support, the Department of the Lottery notifies the Department. The Department then provides a completed Verification of Past Due Support Lottery Intercepts (CS-EF161) form to the Department of the Lottery that indicates the amount of past-due support owed or that the Department is withdrawing its claim against the claimant's prize. Form CS-EF161, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20269>), is hereby incorporated by reference, effective 11/26.

(c) If the claimant owes past-due support as indicated on form CS-EF161, the Department mails the obligor a Notice of Intent to Deduct Lottery Winnings (CS-EF160) form, as specified in subsection (4).

(d) After receiving a form CS-EF161 from the Department confirming that the claimant owes past-due support, the Department of the Lottery withholds payment of the prize to the

claimant and remits payment to the Department by check, up to the amount of past-due support.

(e) The Department holds the payment remitted by the Department of the Lottery until the proceeding is concluded. If the matter is uncontested or the Department prevails in a contested proceeding, the Department applies the payment to the child support case as a credit against past-due support and disburses the payment due. If the action is contested and the obligor prevails, the Department sends all or part of the payment to the obligor in accordance with the findings and conclusions in the final order.

(4) Notification of Intercept.

(a) The Department ~~shall~~ ~~will~~ notify the obligor by regular U.S. mail, that the prize money is being intercepted and will be applied to the balance of past-due support. The Notice of Intent to Deduct Lottery Winnings (CS-EF160), hereby incorporated ~~herein~~ by reference, effective 07/22, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14345>), ~~shall~~ ~~will~~ be sent to the address provided by the obligor to the Department of the Lottery. The obligor may request an administrative hearing as set forth in Chapter 120, F.S., to contest a mistake of fact about the amount of past-due support or the identity of the obligor.

(b) If a petition for administrative hearing is not received within 21 days of receipt of the notice specified in paragraph (4)(a), the prize received from the Department of the Lottery ~~shall~~ ~~will~~ be applied to the obligor's past-due support.

(c) To request an administrative hearing pursuant to Chapter 120, F.S., the obligor ~~must~~ ~~will~~ file a petition for an administrative hearing with the Department of Revenue, Child Support Program, Deputy Agency Clerk, P.O. Box 8030, Tallahassee, FL 32314-8030, within 21 days of receipt of ~~this~~ notice. If a petition for administrative hearing is not received within 21 days of receipt of ~~the~~ ~~this~~ notice, the obligor will be considered to have waived the right to a hearing and the intercept ~~shall~~ ~~will~~ be applied to the obligor's past-due support obligation. Administrative hearings will be conducted pursuant to Chapter 120, F.S.

(5) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 409.2557(3) FS. Law Implemented 24.115(4) History—New 6-17-92, Amended 7-20-94, Formerly 10C-25.008, Amended 1-23-03, 9-17-18, 11-12-20, 6-9-22,_____.

Substantial rewording of Rule 12E-1.032, F.A.C. follows. See Florida Administrative Code for present text.

12E-1.032 Electronic Remittance of Support Payments.

(1) Section 61.1824(6), F.S., provides for the electronic remittance of support payments deducted by an employer pursuant to an income deduction order or income deduction notice and the electronic submission of associated case data to the State Disbursement Unit. An employer who needs

information or assistance may contact the State Disbursement Unit at fl.smartchildsupport.com or 1(888)883-0743.

(2) Definitions. As used in this rule:

(a) "Addenda record" means information required by the Department in an Automated Clearing House Credit or "ACH credit" transfer that is needed to completely identify an employee or provide information concerning a payment, in an approved electronic format.

(b) "Associated case data" means support payment information required to be submitted to the State Disbursement Unit pursuant to Title IV-D of the Social Security Act.

(c) "Automated Clearing House" or "ACH" means a central distribution and settlement point for the electronic clearing of debits and credits between financial institutions rather than the physical movement of paper items.

(d) "Automated Clearing House Credit" or "ACH credit" means the electronic transfer of funds initiated by the employer, cleared through the ACH for deposit to the State Disbursement Unit.

(e) "Automated Clearing House Debit" or "ACH Debit" means the electronic transfer of funds initiated by the State Disbursement Unit, cleared through the ACH for deposit to the State Disbursement Unit.

(f) "Department" means the Florida Department of Revenue.

(g) "Employer" means a person, business, or organization that pays one or more workers to perform a service or engage in an activity in exchange for financial compensation.

(h) "Employer's designated child support payment processor" or "employer's processor" means a financial institution or business used by the employer to provide ACH support payment services.

(i) "National Automated Clearing House Association" or "NACHA" means the national trade association for electronic payments associations that establishes the rules, industry standards, and procedures governing the exchange of commercial ACH payments by depository financial institutions.

(j) "State Disbursement Unit" or "SDU" means the single unit in the state that receives and processes support payments pursuant to Section 61.1824, F.S.

(3) Employers or employers' processors electronically submitting support payments and associated case data may remit payments using ACH Credit or ACH Debit.

(4) Procedures for ACH Credit.

(a) The employer or employer's processor must contact the employer's financial institution and arrange remittance of the support payment to the State Disbursement Unit by ACH credit.

(b) For the employer to establish ACH payments directly to the State Disbursement Unit, the employer or the employer's processor must contact the SDU at fl.smartchildsupport.com

and provide the information in paragraph (4)(c) of this rule. The State Disbursement Unit shall compare the information provided by the employer or the employer's processor with identifying information in the SDU's system. Identifying information submitted by the employer or the employer's processor must match the identifying information in the SDU's system. The SDU shall work with the employer to resolve any discrepancies.

(c) The employer or the employer's processor must provide the SDU with the following information for each employee for whom payments will be remitted:

1. Employee's first and last name;
 2. Employee's Social Security Number;
 3. County where the support order was entered as stated in the income withholding order;
 4. Remittance ID as stated in the income withholding order;
- and
5. Payment amount to be remitted for the employee.

(d) When the information provided in paragraph (4)(c) matches the information in the SDU's system, the SDU shall provide the employer or the employer's processor with the SDU's banking information. The employer must complete a prenotification test before electronic remittance of support payments begins.

(e) Neither the State Disbursement Unit nor the Department will pay for expenses incurred by the employer or employer's processor to use ACH credit.

(f) All ACH credit transactions must be in the NACHA Cash Concentration and Disbursement Plus (CCD+) or NACHA Corporate Trade Exchange (CTX) format containing an Accredited Standards Committee (ASC) X12 820 Payment Order/Remittance Advice Transaction Set with associated addenda records for child support. The required NACHA guidelines and formats for electronic remittance and associated case data are contained in the User Guide For Electronic Child Support Payments, Using The Child Support Application Banking Convention, Version 9.0, revised February 24, 2017, hereby incorporated by reference, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14350>). A copy of the NACHA guidelines may be obtained at fl.smartchildsupport.com. The employer, the employer's financial institution, or the employer's processor providing ACH services may contact the State Disbursement Unit at fl.smartchildsupport.com for assistance in implementing the required formats, standards, and technical requirements.

(g) The employer or employer's processor may combine payments from more than one employee into a single payment, provided the employer or the employer's processor identifies the amount withheld for each employee.

(5) Procedures for ACH Debit.

(a) The employer or employer's processor must contact the State Disbursement Unit at fl.smartchildsupport.com to create an account using the employer's name, Employer Identification Number (EIN), and contact information.

(b) The employer or employer's processor must register a bank account and complete a micro deposit validation to verify the bank account.

(c) The employer or employer's processor must provide the SDU with the information stated in paragraph (4)(c) for each employee for whom payments will be remitted, select a payment frequency and date, and authorize deductions from the registered bank account.

(d) The employer or employer's processor may contact the SDU at 1(888)883-0743 for assistance with the actions required to remit support payments through ACH Debit.

(6) Remittance or Transmission Problems.

(a) If the employer or the employer's processor incorrectly submits associated case data or incorrectly remits support payments, the employer or the employer's processor must contact the SDU at 1(888)883-0743 for specific instructions within one business day after the error is discovered.

(b) The State Disbursement Unit shall review payment errors and associated case data problems reported under paragraph (6)(a) of this rule, determine the course of action to correct errors, and process the information and payment as able.

(c) The State Disbursement Unit shall contact the employer or employer's processor as needed to correct errors identified by the SDU.

(7) The employer or employer's processor must remit payments within two business days after the date the employee is paid.

(8) Waiver From Electronic Filing Requirements. To request a waiver from the requirement to remit payments electronically, the employer must complete and submit the Electronic Remittance of Child Support Payments Request for Waiver (CS-FM42). Form CS-FM42, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20270>), is hereby incorporated by reference, effective 11/26. The Department reviews written requests and responds to requesters using the Electronic Remittance of Child Support Payments Waiver Approval (CS-FM43) or Electronic Remittance of Child Support Payments Waiver Denial (CS-FM47) notice. Form CS-FM43, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20271>), is hereby incorporated by reference, effective 11/26. Form CS-FM47, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20272>), is hereby incorporated by reference, effective 11/26.

(9) Members of the public may obtain a copy of the forms used in this rule chapter, incorporated by reference, without cost, by writing to the Department of Revenue, Child Support

Program, Attn: Forms Coordinator, P.O. Box 8030, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8030.

Rulemaking Authority 61.1824(6), 409.2557(3)(o) FS. Law Implemented 61.1824(6) FS. History—New 5-31-07, Amended 9-18-08, 6-9-22, _____.

12E-1.039 Request for Services.

(1) Definitions. For purposes of this rule:

(a) “Public assistance ~~recipient~~” is defined as provided in Section 409.2554(12) means a person receiving temporary cash assistance under Section 414.095, F.S., Medicaid under Section 409.963, F.S., or food assistance under Section 414.31, F.S.

(b) “Alleged father” means “putative father” as defined by Section 409.256(1)(g), F.S., ~~which is an individual who is or may be the biological father of a child whose paternity has not been established and whose mother was unmarried when the child was conceived and born.~~

(c) “Caregiver” means a person, other than the mother, father, or a putative father, who has physical custody of a child or with whom the child primarily resides.

(2) Services Provided. The Department establishes paternity; establishes, modifies, enforces, collects, and disburses support. The Department ~~shall will~~ initiate location activities to obtain address, asset, employment, health insurance, and other personal identifying information needed in order to provide services.

(3) Who can receive services ~~Eligibility.~~

(a) A parent, caregiver, or alleged father who needs has a ~~need for~~ services regarding a dependent child may apply for services.

(b) A public assistance recipient ~~receiving temporary cash assistance or food assistance~~ does not need to apply for services. A case is created automatically upon receipt of a referral from the Florida Department of Children and Families.

(c) To receive services, an individual who does not receive public assistance or who receives ~~A public assistance recipient receiving only Medicaid benefits must submit a completed application as described in subsection (4) apply for services. A case is not automatically created.~~

(d) A former recipient of public assistance or child support services whose case has been closed and who wants the Department to resume services must submit a completed complete an application.

(e) The Department provides services at the request of ~~other states~~ Title IV-D agencies from other states, child support agencies from foreign countries with which the State of Florida or the United States government has a reciprocal agreement for regarding child support, and central authorities from member to ~~child support agencies or the equivalent in~~ countries of that ~~have signed~~ The Hague Convention on the International

Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance.

(f) The Department does not provide services to a minor child requesting seeking to collect support from a parent.

(g) The Department does not provide services to an adult requesting seeking to collect support from a parent for the time during which the adult seeking to collect support was a minor child dependent.

(4) Application.

(a) To apply for services, an individual ~~who does not receive temporary cash assistance or food assistance~~ must submit a completed signed and complete electronic or paper application. For tThe Department to begin providing services, the applicant must provide at a minimum the will obtain information concerning parents and children including: name, address, and date of birth of the person applying for services, the first and last name of each parent or alleged father, and the name and date of birth of each child for whom services are requested Social Security Number, employment, health insurance, military service, and other relevant information necessary to provide child support services.

~~(b)1-~~ An individual may submit the Online Application for Child Support Services form CS-ES51b through the Department’s website at floridarevenue.com. Form CS-ES51b, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-08649>), is hereby incorporated ~~herein~~ by reference, effective 09/19/2017. The Department ~~shall will~~ send an electronic confirmation message to the applicant once the application is processed and the case has been opened.

~~(c)2-~~ A paper hardcopy application may be obtained by calling 1(850)488-KIDS (5437) or contacting a child support local office. Local child support office information is provided on the Department’s website floridarevenue.com.

~~1.a-~~ Upon request, the Department ~~shall will~~ provide an individual who requests services with ~~fForms~~ CS-ES51 and CS-ES50. Form CS-ES51, Application for Child Support Services, is hereby incorporated by reference effective 09/23, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15871>). Form CS-ES50, Application Instructions, is hereby incorporated by reference effective 12/21, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13864>). The applicant must complete and submit the CS-ES51 form provided.

~~2.b-~~ When an applicant requests services for more than one child, the Department ~~shall will~~ provide the applicant with form CS-ES51ACI, a Child Information, Form CS-ES51ACI, for each additional child. Form CS-ES51ACI, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15872>), is hereby incorporated ~~herein~~ by reference, effective 09/23. The applicant must complete and submit the CS-ES51ACI form(s) provided.

~~3.e.~~ When there is more than one alleged father, the Department ~~shall will~~ provide the applicant ~~with~~ a separate ~~form CS-ES52~~. Other Parent Information, ~~Form CS-ES52~~, for each alleged father.

Form CS-ES52, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13867>), is hereby incorporated ~~herein~~ by reference, effective 12/21. The applicant must complete and submit the CS-ES52 form(s) provided.

~~4.d.~~ When the applicant is applying for services for more than one child with different fathers, the applicant ~~must will be required to~~ submit a separate application for each child and father.

(5) Supporting documents; additional requirements. An individual who applies for services under subsection (4) or who receives public assistance must:

~~(a) An individual who applies for services under subsection (4) or who receives public assistance must:~~

~~(a)1.~~ Provide the Department with the all information needed necessary to provide process the request for services.

~~(b)2.~~ Provide the Department copies of all supporting documents, including as applicable, Final Judgment of Dissolution of Marriage, support order, birth certificate of child(ren) not born in Florida, paternity judgment, payment record, or written agreement between the applicant or public assistance recipient and the other parent concerning paternity, support, and parenting time, and other relevant documents upon request, as needed, necessary to provide child support services.

~~(c)3.~~ Provide a paternity declaration for each child who does not have a legal father.

~~1.a.~~ The Department uses form CS-PO34, the Paternity Declaration, ~~Form CS-PO34~~, for the mother and provides the form ~~to each parent~~ with the Application for Child Support Services. Form CS-PO34, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13863>), is hereby incorporated ~~herein~~ by reference, effective 12/21.

~~2.b.~~ The Department uses form CS-PO102, the Paternity Statement by Non-Parent, ~~Form CS-PO102~~, for the ~~non-parent~~ caregiver applicants. Form CS-PO102, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-08655>), is hereby incorporated ~~herein~~ by reference, effective 09/19/2017.

~~3.e.~~ The Department uses form CS-PO103, the Paternity Statement by Alleged Father, ~~Form CS-PO103~~ for the alleged father. Form CS-PO103, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-12350>), is hereby incorporated ~~herein~~ by reference, effective 11/20.

~~(d)4.~~ Provide a separate completed form CS-ES119, Father/Alleged Father Information ~~form (CS-ES119)~~ for each

alleged father named on the paternity declaration. Form CS-ES119,

(<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13868>), is hereby incorporated by reference, effective 12/21.

~~(e)5.~~ Provide the Department with proof of health insurance if the child(ren) is insured.

~~(f)6.~~ Inform the Department of any changes in information for himself or herself, the child(ren), or the other parent(s). This includes addresses, employment, phone numbers, and where the child(ren) resides.

7. through 8. renumbered (g) through (h) No change.

(6) Application and Referral Review.

(a) The Department ~~shall will~~ review applications submitted by an individual ~~who does not receive temporary cash assistance or food assistance~~ to determine whether the application is complete.

1. If the applicant returns some, but not all required information, or returns incomplete or inaccurate information, the Department ~~shall will~~ send the applicant ~~Form CS-ES54~~, Request for More Information, by regular mail, requesting the missing, incomplete, or corrected information. Form CS-ES54, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20273>), is hereby incorporated by reference, effective 11/26/09/19/2017,

(<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-08657>),

2. If the application is complete, the Department ~~shall will~~ send ~~Form CS-ES55~~, Response to Request for Services and/or Information Request, to the applicant informing them that the application was received. When additional information is required for the Department to proceed, the CS-ES55 notifies, ~~will instruct~~ the applicant to provide the required information within 30 days after the date of the notice. Form CS-ES55, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14353>), is hereby incorporated by reference, effective 07/22.

3. The Department ~~shall will~~ close the request for services ~~ease~~ if an application is not returned or completed within 65 calendar days after the Department begins the application review.

4. If there is a support order for one or more children named in the application, the Department shall mail the applicant form CS-ES54, Request for More Information, to inquire if the applicant wants the Department to review the support order for possible modification.

(b) The Department ~~shall will~~ review public assistance referrals received from the Florida Department of Children and Families to determine whether additional information or documents are required to provide services.

1. The Department ~~shall will~~ send form CS-ES56, the Information Needed to Provide Services, ~~Form CS-ES56~~, to the public assistance recipient, informing them that a request to

open a child support case was received and additional information is required for the Department to proceed. Form CS-ES56,

(<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14354>), is hereby incorporated by reference, effective 07/22.

2. The Department ~~shall send~~ will provide the public assistance recipient ~~f~~Form CS-ES51ACI, Child Information, if there is more than one child in the household. The public assistance recipient must complete and submit the CS-ES51ACI form(s) provided.

3. The Department ~~shall~~ will notify the Department of Children and Families ~~Family Services~~ in accordance with Section 409.2572, F.S., if a recipient of the public assistance does not ~~recipient fails to provide all required~~ information needed by the Department to provide services.

Rulemaking Authority 409.2557(3)(h), (i) F.S. Law Implemented 409.2567 F.S. History—New 9-19-17, Amended 8-28-19, 11-12-20, 11-21-21, 6-9-22, 9-14-23, _____.

12E-1.041 Review for Modification of Support Order.

(1) Initiating a review.

(a) The Department automatically initiates a monthly review of support orders to determine if modification is appropriate for cases in which the parent due support is receiving cash assistance from the Department of Children and Families, the support order has not been reviewed under Section 409.2564(11), F.S., or modified for at least three years, and the Department has a mailing address for both parents, or caregiver, if applicable.

(b) No change.

(c) The Department begins a review by mailing the applicable forms to both parents when the review is initiated under paragraph (1)(a) or to the parent who requests a review under paragraph (1)(b) of this rule.

1. If the support order under review is an administrative support order issued by the Department, the forms consist of the Declaration of Change in Circumstances (CS-POBB), the Financial Affidavit (CS-OA11), and the Parent Information Form (CS-OA12). If the case is eligible for a parenting time plan under Rule 12E-1.030, F.A.C., the Title IV-D Standard Parenting Time Plan (CS-OA250) is included. Form CS-POBB, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20274> ~~<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15882>~~), is hereby incorporated by reference, effective 11/26 09/23. Forms CS-OA11 and CS-OA12 are incorporated in Rule 12E-1.036, F.A.C.

2. through 3. No change.

(d) through (g) No change.

(2) Conducting the review.

(a) ~~Change in circumstances. The requesting party must provide documentation showing a permanent, involuntary change of circumstance, which may include:~~

1. Proof or showing of a change in circumstances is not required if the support order was established, modified, or reviewed under Section 409.2564(11), F.S., more than three years before the review.

2. Documentation, which must include at a minimum a completed form CS-POBB, demonstrating a permanent, involuntary change in circumstance if the support order was established, modified, or reviewed under Section 409.2564(11), F.S., less than three years before the review. Documentation may include:

1. through 5. renumbered a. through e. No change.

(b) No change.

(c) The Department begins a proceeding to modify a support order when:

1. It has been three years or more since the most recent support order review under Section 409.2564(11), F.S., or since the support order was entered or last modified, and; the child support amount calculated during the review varies from the child support amount in the support order by at least 10 percent or a minimum of \$25.00 per month; ~~and there is a permanent, involuntary change in circumstances.~~

2. No change.

(d) The Department notifies the parents of the results of a completed support order review.

1. No change.

2. When a support order review indicates a judicial support order should be modified, the Department mails both parties the Results of Support Order Review (CS-POBC). Form CS-POBC, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20275> ~~<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15885>~~), is hereby incorporated by reference, effective 11/26 09/23.

3. When the result of a review of an administrative support order issued by the Department is that the order should not be changed ~~reviewed and the review indicates there is not a substantial, permanent, or involuntary change in circumstances~~, the Department concludes the review by mailing the parties ~~f~~Form CS-POBC. ~~When a support order review indicates the Department is unable to proceed with support order modification for reasons other than those stated in Form CS-POBC, the Department concludes the review by mailing the parties the Results of Support Order Review form (CS-POBCa). Form~~ CS-POBCa, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15886>), is hereby incorporated by reference, effective 09/23.

4. When a support order review indicates the Department is unable to proceed with support order modification for reasons

other than those stated in form CS-POBC, the Department concludes the review by mailing the parties the Results of Support Order Review form (CS-POBCa). Form CS-POBCa, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15886>), is hereby incorporated by reference, effective 09/23.

(3) Notice of right to request support order review and modification.

(a) If the mailing address of both parties is known, the Department mails the parties a Your Right to a Support Order Review form (CS-POBJ) at least once every three years in accordance with Section 409.2546(11), F.S. Form CS-POBJ, (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20276> ~~<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-15887>~~), is hereby incorporated by reference, effective 11/26 09/23.

(b) No change.

Rulemaking Authority ~~61.13(1)(b)7., 61.14(1)(d), 409.2557(3)(p), 409.2563(7)(e), 409.2563(16), 409.25633(9)~~ FS. *Law Implemented* ~~61.30(1)(c), 409.2563, 409.2564(11)(a) 409.25633~~, FS. *History—New* 9-14-23, Amended _____.

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Agency for Persons with Disabilities

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

65G-2.001 Definitions

65G-2.018 Personal Needs Allowance

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Agency proposes to amend the rules to comply with Chapter 2025-189, Section 2, Laws of Florida, by deleting the sunset provisions. The Agency is also proposing technical changes to correct punctuation in Rule 65G-2.018, F.A.C., and update the citations to statutory authority in the rule histories.

SUMMARY: The proposed amendments delete the sunset provisions, correct punctuation and update citations to statutory authority.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this rule 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 SERC checklist.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 393.066(8), 393.0662(15), 393.067(1), 393.067(7), 393.501(1), 402.33(3) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 393.066, 393.0662, 393.067, 393.13, 402.33 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: Leslie Bryson, Rules Attorney, Leslie.Bryson@apdcare.org, (850)922-4464, Agency for Persons with Disabilities, 4030 Esplanade Way, Suite 335, Tallahassee, FL 32399.

THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

65G-2.001 Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter, the term:

(1) through (46) No change.

~~(47) This Rule shall be reviewed, and if necessary, renewed through the rulemaking process five years from the effective date.~~

Rulemaking Authority 393.066(8), 393.0662(15), 393.067(1), 393.067(7), 393.501(1), 402.33(3) FS. *Law Implemented* 393.066, 393.0662, 393.067, 393.13, 402.33 FS. *History—New* 7-1-14, Amended 7-1-18, 8-17-23, 2-27-25, _____.

65G-2.018 Personal Needs Allowance

(1) A residential facility, that serves as the representative payee for a client, must set aside a personal needs allowance from the benefit payments or third-party benefits, or both, of the client. The facility is responsible for maintaining and administering the personal needs allowance, in accordance with the wishes of the client or the client's legal representative. The client's personal needs allowance is for the benefit of only that client.

(2) No change.

~~(3) This Rule shall be reviewed, and if necessary, renewed through the rulemaking process five years from the effective date.~~

Rulemaking Authority 393.066(8), 393.0662(15), 393.067(1), 393.067(7), 393.501(1), 402.33(3) FS. *Law Implemented* 393.066, 393.0662, 393.067, 402.33, FS. *History—New* 8-17-23, Amended _____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Sean Buchanan, Assistant Director of Quality and Accountability

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Bob Asztalos, Director of APD

DATE PROPOSED RULE WAS APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: September 28, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF RULE DEVELOPMENT WAS PUBLISHED IN FAR: March 27, 2026

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

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
69K-1.009 Effect of Law Enforcement Records on
 Applications for Licensure

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes a new rule stating the effect of law enforcement records on applications for licensure.

SUMMARY: The proposed new rule clarifies the effect of law enforcement records on applications for licensure.

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

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

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

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 497.1411 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 497.1411 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: Mary Schwantes, Division Director, Board of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services, 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0361, (850)413-4984, or by email: mary.schwantes@myfloridacfo.com.

THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

**69K-1.009 Effect of Law Enforcement Records on
Applications for Licensure.**

(1) For the purposes of this rule chapter, the following definitions will apply:

(a) "Applicant" means an individual applying for licensure or relicensure under Chapter 497, F.S., and an officer, director, majority owner, partner, manager as defined in Chapter 605, F.S., or other person who manages or controls an entity applying for licensure or relicensure under Chapter 497, F.S.

(b) "Application" or "application process" refers to an application for licensure procedurally processed under Chapter 497, F.S.

(c) "Charge" or "charges" refers to the official allegations contained in the official document setting out the crimes that an applicant is alleged to have committed, including an "information," "indictment," or other document that specifies the charges against an applicant.

(d) "Felony" means and includes any crime of any type, whether or not related to the death care industry, which crime is designated as a "felony" by statute in the jurisdiction of prosecution, or designated as a "felony" in the charges. If a crime is a felony in the jurisdiction of prosecution, it will be treated as a felony under this rule notwithstanding that the same activity is not a felony in Florida. The term "felony" includes felonies of all degrees.

(e) "Law enforcement record" includes the following:

1. Any criminal charge filed against the applicant in the courts of any state or federal district or territory, or other country, for which the applicant pled guilty or no contest, regardless of whether there was an adjudication of guilt by the court, or for which the applicant was found guilty, and regardless of whether the matter is under appeal by the applicant; and,

2. Criminal charges that were subsequently pardoned or for which civil rights have been restored. The phrase includes criminal charges which, at the time of the application, are under an order to seal by a court of competent jurisdiction; and

3. All criminal charges against the applicant, whether by information or other charging document, even where no formal determination of disposition has been made.

(f) "Misdemeanor" means and includes any crime of any type which is designated as a "misdemeanor" by statute in the jurisdiction of prosecution, or is so designated in the charges. If a crime is considered a misdemeanor in the jurisdiction of prosecution, it will be treated as a misdemeanor under this rule chapter notwithstanding that the same activity is not a misdemeanor in Florida. The term includes misdemeanors of all degrees.

(2) Law Enforcement Records and Required

Documentation. The licensing authority uses law enforcement records to determine whether an applicant is subject to the permanent bar or disqualifying periods set forth in Section 497.1411, F.S., including determining whether an applicant has the requisite character pursuant to Sections 497.263, 497.264, 497.281, 497.368, 497.369, 497.371, 497.373, 497.374, 497.380, 497.385, 497.453, 497.602, 497.604, and 497.606, F.S.

(a) As provided by statute, an applicant for licensure is required to disclose the applicant's law enforcement record. During the application process, which process continues up to the time of the issuance of a license or the denial of the application, the applicant is required to accurately and truthfully answer questions about the applicant's law enforcement record. The applicant is responsible for the accuracy of all information contained in any application submitted by the applicant or submitted by another person on the applicant's behalf, including documents or information submitted during the application process related to the law enforcement record.

(b) As provided by statute, an applicant must provide the Department with fingerprints and permit the Department to obtain the applicant's law enforcement record from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The Department will not process an application when fingerprints are required until the Department receives readable and properly executed fingerprints. Applications are incomplete until fingerprints are received.

(c) At the direction of the Department, as a part of the application process, and in addition to the application, the following documentation is required to be submitted by the applicant:

1. A true and complete copy of the police arrest affidavit or arrest report or similar document for all arrests.

2. A true and complete copy of the charging document, such as an information, indictment, or ticket.

3. A true and complete copy of the plea, judgment, and sentence.

4. A true and complete copy of the order of entry into pre-trial intervention, where applicable, and the order of termination of pre-trial intervention showing dismissal of the charges.

5. A true and complete copy of any order of restoration of civil rights.

6. A true and complete copy of any order sealing court records.

7. A true and complete copy of any order expunging court records.

8. A true and complete copy of any pardon.

(d) If during the application process the Department requests that an applicant submit documentation related to the applicant's law enforcement record but that documentation

cannot be obtained because the document no longer exists, the applicant must supply a certified or sworn statement, signed by a representative of the agency that would have been the custodian of such documentation. The custodian must indicate that documentation of such matter does not exist or that the record was lost, damaged, or destroyed, or otherwise indicate why the documentation cannot be produced.

(e) All requested documentation must be legible.

(f) The requirements set forth in this rule continue throughout the application process and apply to all types of applications including initial applications, applications for additional licenses, and applications for reinstatement of a previously suspended license.

(3) Effect of Failure to Truthfully Answer Application Questions Regarding Applicant's Law Enforcement Record.

(a) The existence of an applicant's law enforcement record is considered a material element of the application and the application process and the failure to accurately and truthfully answer application questions or Department requests regarding the law enforcement record is considered a material misrepresentation or material misstatement under Section 497.152(4)(f), F.S.

(b) If an applicant fails to accurately and truthfully answer the licensing authority's questions about the applicant's law enforcement record related to law enforcement background, the application will be denied.

(4) Applicants With Multiple Crimes.

(a) Where an applicant has committed multiple crimes, a base period of disqualification and an additional period of disqualification will be calculated as follows:

1. The base period is the disqualifying period which is, or was, the last to expire.

2. Two years will be added to the base period for each additional felony not involving moral turpitude and not subject to the permanent bar in Section 497.1411, F.S.; and,

3. Two years will be added to the base period for each additional misdemeanor directly related to the death care industry.

(b) The combined total disqualifying period will begin upon the applicant's final release from supervision or completion of the sentence for the crime upon which the base period is established.

(c) Multiple crimes arising out of the same act, or related acts, performed over a relatively short period of time and in a concerted course of conduct, and crimes committed in one transaction, episode, or course of conduct are treated by the licensing authority as one crime for application of this rule. For the crimes to be considered a single crime, the applicant must have pled to or been convicted of such crimes on the same date and the judgment and sentence for those crimes must have been imposed concurrently. In such cases, the crime with the longest

associated disqualifying period will be used for the base period calculation.

(5) Mitigating Factors.

(a) If applicable, the mitigating factors listed below will be used to shorten the total disqualifying period only when the 10-year disqualifying period established in Section 497.1411, F.S., is applicable. Where more than one mitigating factor is present, the applicant is entitled to add all applicable years of mitigation together and deduct that number from the total disqualifying period only when the 10-year disqualifying period is applicable; however, the 10-year disqualifying period may not be reduced to less than five years. The following Mitigating factors apply:

1. One year is deducted if the applicant was age 21 or younger when the felony crime which is the basis for the disqualifying period was committed and if there are no felony crimes on the applicant's law enforcement record after reaching the age of 22.

2. One year is deducted if the applicant furnishes proof that the applicant was addicted to drugs, suffering from active alcoholism, or suffering from a psychiatric disorder, at the time of the crime which is the basis for the disqualifying period, and the applicant furnishes a letter from a medical doctor, psychologist, or therapist, who is licensed by a duly constituted state licensing body, that states that the licensed person has examined or treated the applicant, and that in his or her professional opinion the condition is currently in remission and has been in remission for at least the previous 12 months.

3. One year is deducted if the applicant provides letters of recommendation from three or more persons who are not relatives of the applicant and who have known the applicant for at least the five years immediately preceding the application.

4. One year is deducted for each associate degree, bachelor's degree, master's degree, or other higher education degree earned by an applicant from an accredited institution of higher learning subsequent to the commission of the crime which is the basis for the disqualifying period.

5. One year is deducted if the applicant has performed 180 or more hours of volunteer work for a charitable organization within the three years immediately preceding the application, as evidenced by a letter signed by an official of the charitable organization where the volunteer hours were performed.

6. One year is deducted if the applicant has held one or more professional licenses from any jurisdiction or professional licensing organization for at least one year within the five years immediately preceding application and subsequent to the commission of the crime which is the basis for the disqualifying period, and only if the applicant held the license during that time period without administrative action being taken.

7. One year is deducted if the applicant has been employed at least 40 hours per week for a continuous two-year period within the five years immediately preceding the application, as

evidenced by a letter from the employer(s), tax forms, or pay stubs.

8. One year is deducted if the applicant has served at least one year in the United States Armed Forces, active or reserves, subsequent to the commission of the crime which is the basis for the disqualifying period, and provided the discharge was honorable.

(b) The burden is on the applicant to establish these mitigating factors. Any of the mitigating factors must be established by providing a true and complete copy of the document proving that mitigating factor.

(6) Aggravating Factors.

(a) The following aggravating factors apply:

1. Two years are added to the disqualifying period if the applicant's law enforcement record indicates that a crime that is the basis of the disqualifying period victimized a natural person who was over age 65 at the time the crime was committed.

2. One year is added to the disqualifying period if the applicant was found by the court to have violated probation for the crime or crimes used to establish the disqualifying period.

3. One year is added to the disqualifying period if the applicant was found to have committed a crime involving aggravated violence in which bodily injury resulted.

4. One year is added to the disqualifying period if any regulatory action was taken against the applicant by any regulatory authority that resulted in a penalty being imposed and was not based on failure to change an address or failure to report an administrative action.

5. One year is added to the disqualifying period and in addition to subsection (4), above, if any regulatory action was taken against the applicant by any regulatory authority for an action by the applicant that caused consumers or clients financial harm or loss in an amount over \$10,000.00.

6. One year is added to the disqualifying period if the applicant's law enforcement record contains a crime that caused financial harm to any person in an amount over \$10,000.00.

(b) The burden is on the applicant to rebut evidence of any and all aggravating factors used by the licensing authority to deny the application.

(7) Collateral Attack on Criminal Proceedings. The licensing authority will not allow or give any weight to an attempt to re-litigate, impeach, or collaterally attack judicial criminal proceedings or their results.

(8) Effect of Pending Appeal in Criminal Proceedings; Reversal on Appeal.

(a) The statutory grounds for denial of licensure exist immediately upon an entry of judgment, regardless of whether an appeal is or is not allowed to be or is being taken.

(b) If on appeal the judgment is reversed, and the judgment was the basis for the licensing authority's denial of an

application, then the applicant may reapply for licensure after providing proof of the reversal.

(9) Sealed or Expunged Criminal Records.

(a) Pursuant to Sections 943.0585(6) and 943.059(6), F.S., an applicant is required to disclose or acknowledge, and is not permitted to affirmatively deny, any arrest or criminal proceeding when the record of such has been legally and properly sealed by order of a court of competent jurisdiction or by operation of law in the jurisdiction in which the arrest or criminal proceeding took place prior to the time of application.

(b) The licensing authority will not withhold or stay the issuance of a denial of a license application pending action on requests for sealing or expunging criminal records.

(c) An expunged crime will not be considered by the licensing authority as a basis for denial or disqualification of an applicant.

(10) Disclosure and Effect of a Pardon or Restoration of Civil Rights.

(a) A crime for which an applicant has been granted a pardon or has had his or her civil rights restored under Chapter 940, F.S., and section 8, Article IV, Florida Constitution, will not be subject to the disqualifying periods in Section 497.1411, F.S., unless such clemency specifically excludes licensure in the death care industry. The applicant's fitness and trustworthiness after a pardon or restoration will be evaluated as provided in Section 497.1411, F.S., according to the following factors:

1. The facts and circumstances of the criminal offense for which the pardon was granted or the applicant's civil rights were restored.

2. The applicant's criminal history, if any, subsequent to the pardon or restoration of rights.

3. Whether the applicant has completed any supervision or sanction associated with any crime.

(b) The licensing authority will not withhold or stay denial of a license application pending action on requests for a pardon or restoration of civil rights.

(11) Effect of Varying Terminology.

(a) For purposes of this rule, if the applicant's crime took place outside of Florida and is not defined or categorized as a felony or misdemeanor crime, the licensing authority will analogize the crime to the most similar crime under Florida laws by using the elements of that crime as defined in the statute of the jurisdiction in which the applicant was prosecuted and matching those elements to the most similar Florida Statute.

(b) With regard to the following six subparagraphs, the licensing authority treats each phrase in a particular subparagraph as having the same effect as the other phrases in that same subparagraph:

1. Adjudicated guilty; convicted.

2. Found guilty; entered a finding of guilt.

3. Pled guilty; entered a plea of guilty; admitted guilt; admitted the charges.

4. Nolo contendere; no contest; did not contest; did not deny; no denial.

5. Adjudication of guilt withheld; adjudication withheld; no adjudication entered; entry of findings withheld; no official record to be entered; judgment withheld; judgment not entered.

6. Nolle prosequere; nolle prosequi; charges withdrawn; charges dismissed; charges dropped.

(c) When necessary, the licensing authority will look to the substantive meaning of the terminology used in the context in which it was used under the law of the jurisdiction where it was used.

(12) Supervised Persons. The licensing authority will not license any applicant while the applicant is imprisoned, in custody, under supervision, on probation, serving a sentence, or in a pre-trial intervention, diversion, or other similar program, for any felony or misdemeanor directed related to the death care industry.

(13) Effect of Disqualifying Periods. The disqualifying periods applied pursuant to Section 497.1411, F.S., or established in this rule do not give an applicant a right to licensure after any set period of time. After the disqualifying period, an applicant may re-apply for licensure and the law in effect at the time will apply to that application.

(14) Foreign Law Enforcement Records. In the event that a law enforcement record includes convictions, charges, or arrests outside the United States, the licensing authority will consider the following factors to reduce, eliminate, or apply a disqualifying period, or to determine if the permanent bar under Section 497.1411, F.S., is applicable:

(a) Whether the crime in the criminal record would be a crime under the laws of the United States or any state within the United States.

(b) The degree of penalty associated with the same or similar crimes in the United States.

Rulemaking Authority 497.1411 FS. Law Implemented 497.1411 FS. History—New .

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:

Board of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services

DATE PROPOSED RULE WAS APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: September 3, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF RULE DEVELOPMENT WAS PUBLISHED IN FAR: July 22, 2026

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES**FSC - Financial Institution Regulation**

RULE NOS.:	RULE TITLES:
69U-100.0451	Unsafe and Unsound Examination Fees
69U-100.057	Public Records Requests
69U-100.067	Subsidiaries Holding Institution-authorized Assets
69U-100.101	Definitions Concerning Debt Cancellation Products
69U-100.102	Prohibited Practices
69U-100.103	Refunds
69U-100.104	Method of Payment or Fees
69U-100.105	Disclosures
69U-100.106	Affirmative Election to Purchase and Acknowledgement of Receipt of Disclosures Required
69U-100.600	Appraisals, and Appraisal Standards and Policies of State Financial Institutions

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To implement to the rule review process mandated by section 120.5435, Florida Statutes.

SUMMARY: The agency seeks to repeal the listed rules after consideration of factors such as existence of statutory authority, repetition of statutory material, consistency with statutory intent, and necessity of rule relating to current usage.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The agency expressly relies on an analysis of potential impact conducted by agency personnel with subject matter knowledge and expertise pertaining to this rule.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 120.5435

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 120.5435

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Gerald Perez; gerald.perez@flofr.gov; (813)218-5367

THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

69U-100.0451 Unsafe and Unsound Examination Fees.

Rulemaking Authority 655.012(2) FS. Law Implemented 655.045(1) FS. History—New 6-11-96, Formerly 3C-100.0451, Amended 1-18-21, Repealed.

69U-100.057 Public Records Requests.

Rulemaking Authority 655.012(2) FS. Law Implemented 655.057 FS. History—New 11-1-92, Amended 4-23-96, Formerly 3C-100.057, Amended 1-18-21, Repealed.

69U-100.067 Subsidiaries Holding Institution-authorized Assets.

Rulemaking Authority 655.012(3), 658.67(11) FS. Law Implemented 658.67(11) FS. History—New 6-26-00, Formerly 3C-100.067, Repealed.

69U-100.101 Definitions Concerning Debt Cancellation Products.

Rulemaking Authority 655.012(2), 655.947(3) FS. Law Implemented 655.947, 655.954 FS. History—New 12-2-08, Repealed.

69U-100.102 Prohibited Practices.

Rulemaking Authority 655.012(2), 655.947(3) FS. Law Implemented 655.947, 655.954 FS. History—New 12-2-08, Repealed.

69U-100.103 Refunds.

Rulemaking Authority 655.012(2), 655.947(3) FS. Law Implemented 655.947, 655.954 FS. History—New 12-2-08, Repealed.

69U-100.104 Method of Payment or Fees.

Rulemaking Authority 655.012(2), 655.947(3) FS. Law Implemented 655.947, 655.954 FS. History—New 12-2-08, Repealed.

69U-100.105 Disclosures.

Rulemaking Authority 655.012(2), 655.947(3) FS. Law Implemented 655.947, 655.954 FS. History—New 12-2-08, Repealed.

69U-100.106 Affirmative Election to Purchase and Acknowledgement of Receipt of Disclosures Required.

Rulemaking Authority 655.012(2), 655.947(3) FS. Law Implemented 655.947, 655.954 FS. History—New 12-2-08, Repealed.

69U-100.600 Appraisals, and Appraisal Standards and Policies of State Financial Institutions.

Rulemaking Authority 655.012(2), 655.60(2) FS. Law Implemented 655.60 FS. History—New 11-2-92, Amended 9-27-94, 11-7-01, Formerly 3C-100.600, Amended 1-18-21, Repealed.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Ben Brinkley, III

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Financial Services Commission
 DATE PROPOSED RULE WAS APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: September 29, 2025
 DATE NOTICE OF RULE DEVELOPMENT WAS PUBLISHED IN FAR: March 31, 2026

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

FSC - Financial Institution Regulation

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:
 69U-130.102 Applications
 69U-130.105 Principles of Adequate Supervision of an International Trust Entity's Foreign Establishments

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To implement to the rule review process mandated by Section 120.5435, Florida Statutes

SUMMARY: In conformity with the requirements of s. 120.5435, Florida Statutes, the listed rules have been identified as requiring amendment to conform with one or more of the statutory requirements: (a) the rule is a valid exercise of delegated legislative authority; (b) Has current statutory authority; (c) Reiterates or paraphrases statutory material; (d) Is in proper form; (e) Is consistent with expressed legislative intent pertaining to the specific provisions of law which the rule implements; (f) Requires a technical or substantive update to reflect current use; (g) Requires updated references to statutory citations and incorporated materials.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The Agency expressly relies on an analysis of potential impact conducted by persons within the agency possessing subject matter expertise of the subject matter related to this rule. Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days after publication of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 655.012(2), 663.414, 663.406(4), (5), (6), (9), 663.4081(2)), 120.5435 FS

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 663.414, 663.406, 663.4081 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: Gerald Perez; gerald.perez@flofr.gov; (813)218-5367

THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

69U-130.102 Applications.

(1) Application to Establish an International Trust Company Representative Office. The application for authority to establish an international trust company representative office shall be filed on Form OFR-U-20D, Application for the Establishment of an International Trust Company Representative Office in the State of Florida, effective 01/2018, herein incorporated by reference and available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-08799>. ~~The application shall be submitted with a nonrefundable filing fee in the amount prescribed by Section 663.413(1), F.S., which is made payable to the Office of Financial Regulation (OFR).~~

(2) Abbreviated Application to Establish an International Trust Company Representative Office. ~~Pursuant to Section 663.406(4), F.S., an international trust entity that has operated an international trust company representative office in this state for at least three years in a safe and sound manner, as defined by commission rule, and that is otherwise eligible to establish an additional office may establish one or more additional international trust company representative offices by providing an abbreviated application.~~

(a) For the purposes of section 663.406(4), F.S., subsection (2), of this rule, “safe and sound manner” means operating without violating any agreement in writing with, or order issued by, a state or federal regulatory agency, or engaging in any practice, conduct, or violation found by the OFR to be contrary to Title XXXVIII, F.S., or that otherwise creates the likelihood of loss, insolvency, or dissipation of assets or otherwise prejudices the interest of the international trust entity or its customers.

(b) The abbreviated application for authority to establish an additional international trust company representative office shall be filed on Form OFR-U-20D ABR, Abbreviated Application for the Establishment of an Additional International Trust Company Representative Office in the State of Florida, effective 01/2018, herein incorporated by reference and available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-08800>. ~~This abbreviated application shall be submitted with a nonrefundable filing fee in the amount prescribed by section 663.413(1), F.S.~~

(3) Application for After the Fact Licensure. ~~In the Event~~

of Acquisition, Merger, or Consolidation. Pursuant to Section 663.4081, F.S., if an international trust entity proposes to acquire, merge, or consolidate with an international trust entity that presently operates an international trust company representative office licensed in the State of Florida, the OFR may allow the currently licensed international trust company representative office to remain open and in operation after the consummation of a proposed acquisition, merger, or consolidation subject to certain conditions. An application for after-the-fact licensure pursuant to s. 663.4081, F.S., must be filed on Form OFR-U-20D, Application for the Establishment of an International Trust Company Representative Office in the State of Florida, effective 01/2018, herein incorporated by reference and available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-08799>. The application shall be submitted with a nonrefundable filing fee in the amount prescribed by Section 663.413(1), F.S., which is made payable to the Office of Financial Regulation (OFR).

(a) The notice required pursuant to s. 663.4081, F.S., must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the consummation of the acquisition, merger, or consolidation, the international trust entity currently licensed to operate an international trust company representative office in Florida must provide the OFR a written notice. This written notice shall contain the following:

1. through 5. No change.

6. Certification that the proposed transaction will not result in violation of subsection (1) of s. Section 663.4081, F.S.

(4) Evaluation. Timelines for Approval. For applications filed on or after January 1, 2018, the timelines contained in this subsection will apply to each application for authority to establish an international trust company representative office.

(a) Place. The original and one copy of the application in the format required by the OFR, accompanied by the prescribed fee, shall be filed with the OFR Division of Financial Institutions at 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0371. No application will be deemed filed or received for publication unless accompanied by the proper filing fee. All filing fees for any license action covered by these rules are nonrefundable. Upon receipt of the application and the accompanying fee, the applicant shall be so notified by the OFR.

(b) Fees. All applications must be submitted along with a nonrefundable filing fee in the amount prescribed by section 663.413(1), F.S., payable to the Office of Financial Regulation. No application will be deemed filed or received unless accompanied by the proper filing fee. All filing fees for any license action covered by these rules are nonrefundable. Upon receipt of the application and the accompanying fee, the applicant shall be so notified by the OFR. The OFR shall have

published in the Florida Administrative Register notice of the application within 21 days after receipt.

(c) Within 21 days after publication of notice, any person may request a hearing. Failure to request a hearing within 21 days after notice constitutes a waiver of any right to a hearing. The OFR or an applicant may request a hearing at any time prior to the issuance of a final order. Hearings shall be conducted pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S.

(d) Should a hearing be requested as provided by paragraph (4)(c), the applicant or licensee shall publish at its own cost a notice of the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the area affected by the application.

(c) (e) Application Contents. In addition to the appropriate form and form exhibits required by this rule, an applicant may wish to submit additional information in support of the application. If so elected, additional information All information the applicant wants to present to support the application should be submitted at the time of and with the original filing. The required exhibits in the application forms are not intended to limit the applicant's presentation of any of the requirements, but merely represent the minimum information required to be filed. All additional information and/or complete correction of all errors or omissions must be submitted within 60 days after requested by the OFR. Applicant's failure to respond to such request within 60 days after the date of the request shall be construed by the OFR as grounds for denial of an application in accordance with the provisions of Section 120.60(1), F.S., and the file shall be closed, unless good cause is shown that it remain open. Should the file be closed pursuant to these provisions, the applicant shall be duly notified.

1. OFR's Request. In the event the OFR requests corrections to the application or additional information, the applicant must comply and submit the same within 60 days after requested by the OFR. An Applicant's failure to comply with such request within 60 days shall be construed by the OFR as grounds for denial of an application and the file shall be closed, unless good cause is shown that it remain open. Should the file be closed pursuant to these provisions, the applicant shall be duly notified.

2. (f) Amendment. An applicant may amend an the application as to those factors generally within the control or selection of the applicant once, as a matter of course, at any time within 30 days from its receipt by the OFR. for filing. Otherwise, an applicant the application may only amend an application be amended with permission from the OFR. Requests to make material changes filed at any time after the application has been received shall be deemed by the OFR to be grounds for denial, and upon such denial a new application accompanied by the appropriate filing fee shall be required. If the OFR grants a request to make material changes in the

application, the amended application will be treated as a new application with respect to the applicable rules of this chapter, except that no additional filing fee shall be required. When an application is denied on the grounds set forth above, the applicant shall be duly notified.

3.(g) Supplement. Upon a request from an applicant, the OFR shall permit the filing of supplemental information external to the application which sets forth evidence of changing economic conditions and transactions, occurrences, or events having a bearing on the application and which have taken place since the application was filed. Such supplemental information must be filed within a reasonable time after the information is known by the applicants but in no event later than 10 days before the hearing, if one has been requested.

(d)(h) Timeline for Approval. An application for authority to establish an international trust company representative office must be approved or denied within 180 days after receipt of the original application, or receipt of the timely requested additional information or correction of errors or omissions. An application for such a license which is not approved or denied within the 180-day period or within 30 days after conclusion of a public hearing on the application, whichever is later, shall be deemed approved subject to the satisfactory completion of conditions required by statute as a prerequisite to license.

(e)(i) Withdrawal. ~~An~~ The applicant may withdraw an the application at any time by filing a written notice of withdrawal from the correspondent as designated on the application form with the OFR. ~~The OFR shall publish notice of the withdrawal within 21 days of its receipt, if the original application required public notice.~~

(5) Notice Regarding Collection and Use of Social Security Numbers. ~~The forms incorporated by reference in this rule request that the applicant provide his or her social security number. In accordance with Sections 119.071(5)(a)2.a. and b., F.S., the OFR gives the following notice to applicants regarding the OFR's collection and use of social security numbers:~~

~~(a) The OFR's collection of social security numbers is not expressly authorized by or mandatory under federal or state law, but it is imperative for the performance of the OFR's duties and responsibilities as prescribed by Sections 663.406(6) and (9), F.S., to ensure the safe and sound management and operations of the international trust company representative office in this state.~~

~~(b) Social security numbers collected by the OFR may not be used by the OFR for any purpose other than the purpose provided in this notice.~~

~~(c) Social security numbers held by the OFR are confidential and exempt from Section 119.07(1), F.S., and Section 24(a), Article I of the State Constitution. This exemption does not supersede any federal law prohibiting the release of social security numbers or any other applicable public~~

~~records exemption for social security numbers existing prior to May 13, 2002, or created thereafter.~~

~~(d) Social security numbers held by the OFR may be disclosed if any of the following apply:~~

~~1. The disclosure of the social security number is expressly required by federal or state law or a court order;~~

~~2. The disclosure of the social security number is necessary for the receiving agency or governmental entity to perform its duties and responsibilities;~~

~~3. The individual expressly consents in writing to the disclosure of his or her social security number;~~

~~4. The disclosure of the social security number is made to comply with the USA Patriot Act of 2001, Pub. L. No. 107-56, or Presidential Executive Order 13224;~~

~~5. The disclosure of the social security number is made to a commercial entity for the permissible uses set forth in the federal Driver's Privacy Protection Act of 1994, 18 U.S.C. Sections 2721 et seq.; the Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 U.S.C. Sections 1681 et seq.; or the Financial Services Modernization Act of 1999, 15 U.S.C. sections 6801 et seq., provided that the authorized commercial entity complies with the requirements of this paragraph;~~

~~6. The disclosure of the social security number is for the purpose of the administration of health benefits for an agency employee or his or her dependents;~~

~~7. The disclosure of the social security number is for the purpose of the administration of a pension fund administered for the agency employee's retirement fund, deferred compensation plan, or defined contribution plan; or~~

~~8. The disclosure of the social security number is for the purpose of the administration of the Uniform Commercial Code by the office of the Secretary of State.~~

~~Rulemaking Authority 120.5435, 655.012(2), 663.414, 663.406(4), (5), (6), (9), 663.4081(2) FS. Law Implemented 663.414, 663.406, 663.4081 FS. History--New 1-1-18, Amended.~~

69U-130.105 Principles of Adequate Supervision of an International Trust Entity's Foreign Establishments.

~~(1) Section 663.406(8)(c), F.S., states a license shall not be issued to an international trust entity for the purpose of operating an international trust company representative office in this state unless the international trust entity is adequately supervised by the appropriate regulatory agency of its home country.~~

~~(2) Section 663.406(9), F.S., requires the commission to establish general principles to evaluate the adequacy of supervision of an international trust entity's foreign establishments. These principles must be based upon the need for cooperative supervisory efforts and consistent regulatory guidelines and must address, at a minimum, the capital adequacy, asset quality, management, earnings, liquidity,~~

~~internal controls, audits and foreign exchange operations and positions of the international trust entity.~~

(1)(3) Pursuant to ss. 664.406(8)(c) and (9), F.S., aAn international trust entity with foreign establishments is considered adequately supervised if it is subject to consolidated supervision. Consolidated supervision is supervision which enables the home country supervisor to evaluate:

(a) through (b) No change.

(4) through (9) renumbered (2) through (7) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 120.5435, 655.012(2), 663.406(9), 663.414 FS. Law Implemented 663.406(9), 663.414 FS. History—New 1-1-18, Amended _____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Ben Brinkley, III

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

DATE PROPOSED RULE WAS APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: September 29, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF RULE DEVELOPMENT WAS PUBLISHED IN FAR: March 30, 2026

FLORIDA GAMING CONTROL COMMISSION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

75-5.001 Occupational Licensure

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect of this proposed rulemaking is to update rule language and incorporated occupational license application forms for improved clarity and usability and to update statutory citations. SUMMARY: The proposed rulemaking will update Commission rule to improve the clarity and usability of occupational license application forms for individual and business applicants, clarify rule language, and update statutory citations.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: Based on the nature of the amendments to the rules, the Commission determined that the proposed rules are not expected to have any adverse impact on small business or increase regulatory costs that exceed the criteria in section

120.542(1) F.S., and that the proposed rules will not require legislative ratification.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 16.712(2)(a), 550.0251(3), 550.105(2)(b), (10)(a), 551.107(2)(b), 849.086(6)(f), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 16.712(1)(a), 16.718, 550.0251, 550.105, 550.495, 551.107, 849.086(6), 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: Shireen Anbardan, Chief Attorney, Florida Gaming Control Commission, 4070 Esplanade Way, Suite 250, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. Tel: (850)794-8079. Email: Shireen.Anbardan@flgaming.gov.

THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

75-5.001 Occupational Licensure.

(1) No change.

(2) Every initial application and renewal thereafter for a Professional Occupational License or a General Occupational License shall include the following:

(a) A complete Form FGCC PMW-3120, Individual Occupational License Application, effective ~~November January~~ 2026, incorporated herein by reference, <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20340> ~~http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18585~~, and which can be obtained at www.flgaming.gov or by contacting the Florida Gaming Control Commission, 4070 Esplanade Way, Suite 250, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

(b) and (c) No change.

(3) Every initial application and renewal thereafter for a Pari-Mutuel Business Occupational License shall include the following:

(a) A completed Form FGCC PMW-3130, Business Occupational License Application, effective ~~November January~~ 2026, incorporated herein by reference, <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20341> ~~http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18587~~, and which can be obtained at www.flgaming.gov or by contacting the Florida Gaming Control Commission, 4070 Esplanade Way, Suite 250, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

(b) No change.

(c) ~~Evidence that all~~ At the following individuals associated with an applicant for a Business Occupational License hold a current and valid Professional Occupational License issued by the commission:

1. through 4. No change.

(4) No application for a Business Occupational License shall be granted by the commission unless each of the individuals requiring licensure pursuant to paragraph (3)(c) above, has been verified by the commission to hold a current and valid Professional Occupational License issued by the commission.

(5) A business applicant for a Business Occupational License Application shall be subject to denial of its initial or renewal application as outlined in Section 550.105, F.S., based on the disqualifying criminal convictions, civil judgments or discipline history in Florida or other racing jurisdictions of the business entity or the individuals associated with the business, identified in paragraph (3)(c), above.

(6) through (7) No change.

(8) Any Individual Occupational License ~~individual~~ or Business Occupational License ~~business~~ applicant may request a waiver of disqualifying factors in an application that would otherwise be grounds for denial from the commission. A request for a waiver shall be made on Form FGCC PMW-3180, Request for Waiver, effective November January 2026, incorporated herein by reference, <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20342> ~~<http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18584>~~, and can be obtained at www.flgaming.gov or by contacting the Florida Gaming Control Commission, 4070 Esplanade Way, Suite 250, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

(9) through (14) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 16.712(2)(a), 550.0251(3), ~~(12)~~, 550.105(2)(b), (10)(a), 551.107(2)(b), 849.086(4)(a), (6)(e), (f) FS. Law Implemented 16.712(1)(a), 16.718, 550.0251(2), 550.105, 550.495, 551.107, 849.086(6), ~~(14)~~ FS. History—New 10-20-96, Amended 12-15-97, 4-12-06, 9-11-11, 9-1-20, Formerly 61D-5.001, Amended 1-11-26,_____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Florida Gaming Control Commission

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: The Commissioners of the Florida Gaming Control Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE WAS APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: October 8, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF RULE DEVELOPMENT WAS PUBLISHED IN FAR: June 30, 2026

FLORIDA GAMING CONTROL COMMISSION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

75-11.008 Cardroom Business Occupational License

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect of this proposed rulemaking is to update rule language and the form for improved clarity and usability, change a reference from division to commission to reflect the type two transfer required

by chapter 2021-269, Laws of Florida, and update statutory citations.

SUMMARY: The proposed rulemaking will update Commission rule to improve the clarity and usability the incorporated form, cause the rule language to reflect changes to the law made by chapter 2021-269, Laws of Florida, and update statutory citations.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: Based on the nature of the amendments to the rules, the Commission determined that the proposed rules are not expected to have any adverse impact on small business or increase regulatory costs that exceed the criteria in section 120.542(1) F.S., and that the proposed rules will not require legislative ratification.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 16.712(2)(a), 550.0251(12), 550.105(2)(b), (10)(a), 551.107(2)(b), 551.122, 849.086(4)(a), (6)(d), (f) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 16.712(1)(a), 16.718, 550.0251, 550.105, 551.107, 849.086(6) 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: Shireen Anbardan, Chief Attorney, Florida Gaming Control Commission, 4070 Esplanade Way, Suite 250, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. Tel: (850)794-8079. Email: Shireen.Anbardan@flgaming.gov.

THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

75-11.008 Cardroom Business Occupational License.

(1) As part of the initial application or renewal for a cardroom business occupational license provided in Section 849.086, F.S., an applicant shall submit the following:

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) All individuals identified in paragraph (1)(c) above shall complete a Form FGCC PMW-3140, Disclosure for Individuals Related to a Business, effective ~~November~~ January 2026, incorporated herein by reference <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20343> ~~<https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18589>~~, and which can be obtained at www.flgaming.gov or by contacting the Florida Gaming Control Commission, 4070 Esplanade Way, Suite 250, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

(2) through (7) No change.

(8) During the three year term of a valid occupational license issued by the commission, a business may require another type of occupational license for any reason, such as a change in the goods and services the business provides or offers. From the date an occupational license is granted until May 1 of the year in which the license expires, a licensee may request to upgrade the valid occupational license they hold to another occupational license type to which the commission allows an upgrade.

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) A license issued by the commission pursuant to a license upgrade request shall have the following effect:

1. No change.

2. The license to which the applicant requested to upgrade shall be valid on the date the commission ~~division~~ grants the license and shall expire on the same date as the license from which the applicant upgraded expired.

(9) through (10) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 16.712(2)(a), 550.0251(12), 550.105(2)(b), (10)(a), 551.107(2)(b), 551.122, 849.086(4)(a), (6)(d), (f) FS. Law Implemented 16.712(1)(a), 16.718, 550.0251, 550.105, 551.107, 849.086(4)(f), (6) FS. History—New 1-7-97, Amended 5-9-04, 4-12-06, 9-7-08, 7-21-14, 9-1-20, Formerly 61D-11.008, Amended 1-11-26.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Florida Gaming Control Commission

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: The Commissioners of the Florida Gaming Control Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE WAS APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: October 8, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF RULE DEVELOPMENT WAS PUBLISHED IN FAR: June 30, 2026

FLORIDA GAMING CONTROL COMMISSION

RULE NOS.:	RULE TITLES:
75-14.005	Occupational License Requirements for Individual Persons
75-14.006	Occupational License Application Requirements for Business Entities

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect of this proposed rulemaking is to update Commission rules to improve

the usability of occupational license application forms for individual and business applicants, cause the rule language to reflect changes to the law made by chapter 2021-269, Laws of Florida, correct internal rule references and typographical errors, and update statutory citations.

SUMMARY: The proposed rulemaking amends Commission rules to update incorporated occupational license application forms for improved clarity and usability, change a reference from division to commission to reflect the type two transfer required by chapter 2021-269, Laws of Florida, correct internal rule references and typographical errors, and update statutory citations.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 16.712(2)(a), 550.0251(3), (12), 550.105(2)(b), (10)(a), 551.103(1), 551.107(2)(b), 551.122, 849.086(4)(a), (6)(d), (f) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 16.712(1)(a), 16.718, 550.0251, 550.105, 551.103(1)(b), 551.107, 551.108, 849.086(6), 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: Shireen Anbardan, Chief Attorney, Florida Gaming Control Commission, 4070 Esplanade Way, Suite 250, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. Tel: (850)794-8079. Email: Shireen.Anbardan@flgaming.gov.

THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

75-14.005 Occupational License Requirements for Individual Persons.

(1) No change.

(2) Every applicant for a slot machine or combination occupational license pursuant to paragraphs (1)(a) and (c) above, shall disclose in his or her application:

(a) No change.

(b) Any affiliation of the applicant with a business slot machine occupational licensee or companies controlling the business slot machine occupational licensee entity, and the position that he/she occupies with or his/her interest in said entity.

(3) Every initial application and renewal thereafter for a slot machine or combination occupational license must include:

(a) A completed Form FGCC PMW-3410, Slot Machine Individual Occupational License Application, effective ~~November January~~ 2026, incorporated herein by reference, <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20344> ~~<https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18590>~~. The form can also be obtained at www.flgaming.gov or by contacting the commission, 4070 Esplanade Way, Suite 250, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

(b) No change.

(c) A complete set of the applicant's fingerprints submitted electronically to FDLE and FBI for state and national criminal history record checks. All sets of fingerprints must be submitted by a livescan service provider that has been approved by FDLE to electronically submit criminal history requests. If the set of fingerprints are taken on a physical fingerprint card FD-258, it must be scanned and submitted by a FDLE-approved livescan service provider. Applicants timely renewing their license, whose fingerprints have been retained by FDLE, shall not be required to submit a complete set of fingerprints ~~fingerprints~~. The complete set of fingerprints and payment of the fingerprint ~~fingerprint~~ fee must comply with the following:

1. Each applicant sending fingerprints via a livescan device must provide the livescan service provider the correct Originating Agency Identifier (ORI) number, which is FL925185Z, in order for the commission ~~division~~ to receive his or her fingerprint results;

2. The appropriate fingerprint processing fee, as established by FDLE and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, shall be paid by the applicant directly to the FDLE-approved livescan service provider or, if fingerprints are submitted to the commission on a fingerprint card FD-258 or are retained by FDLE, shall be paid by the applicant directly to the commission; and,

(d) No change.

(4) No change.

(5) If the applicant for or holder of an occupational license intends to claim any exemption from public records disclosure under Section 119.07, F.S., or any other exemption from public records disclosure provided by law, for any part of its application or information provided therein, it shall identify, in its application or by written notice to the commission ~~division~~, the specific information for which it claims an exemption and the basis for the exemption.

(6) through (7) No change.

(8) During the three year term of a valid occupational license issued by the commission, an individual may need another type of occupational license for any reason, such as a change in his or her employment or job duties. From the date an occupational license is granted until April 1 of the year in which the license expires, a licensee may request to upgrade the valid occupational license they hold to another occupational license type to which the commission allows an upgrade.

(a) No change.

(b) In order to request an upgrade of the valid occupational license held by an individual the licensee must submit the following to the commission:

1. A request to upgrade the existing occupational license on Form FGCC PMW-3450, License Upgrade Application, effective ~~November 2026~~ September 2020, incorporated herein by reference, <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20346> ~~<https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-12094>~~, and which can be obtained at www.flgaming.gov or by contacting the Florida Gaming Control Commission, 4070 Esplanade Way, Suite 250, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

2. No change.

(c) through (d) No change.

(9) through (10) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 16.712(2)(a), 550.0251(3), (12), 550.105(2)(b), (10)(a), 551.103(1)(b), (g), 551.107(2)(b), 551.122, 849.086(4)(a), (6)(d), (f) FS. Law Implemented 16.712(1)(a), 16.718, 550.0251(2), 550.105, 551.103(2), (4)(b)(1)(b), 551.107, 551.108, 849.086(6) FS. History—New 6-25-06, Amended 12-6-06, 6-21-10, 9-26-13, 5-30-17, 9-1-20, Formerly 61D-14.005, Amended 1-11-26,_____.

75-14.006 Occupational License Application Requirements for Business Entities.

(1) No change.

(2) An application for a business slot machine occupational license shall be made on Form FGCC PMW-3420, Slot Machine Business Entity Occupational License Application, effective ~~November January~~ 2026, incorporated herein by reference, <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20345> ~~<http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18591>~~, which can be obtained at <http://flgaming.gov> or by

contacting the commission at 4070 Esplanade Way, Suite 250, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

(3) Each business applicant shall be required to include the following information as required by Form FGCC PMW-3420, Slot Machine Business Entity Occupational License Application, incorporated by reference in subsection (2), above:

(a) through (n) No change.

(o) The names and addresses of the ultimate equitable owners for a corporation or other business entity, if different from those provided under paragraph (3)(i)(h) and (n)(m), unless:

1. The securities of the corporation or entity are registered pursuant to Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 15 United States Code Sections 78a-78kk, and

2. If such corporation or entity files with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission the reports required by Section 13 of the act above, or if the securities of the corporation or entity are regularly traded on an established securities market in the United States;⁷

(p) through (q) No change.

(4) The following exemptions apply if a business entity chooses to submit itself for consideration under the requirements of paragraph (1)(c), above, for the commission's approval. The following changes and agreement of terms of such submission apply regarding that entity's Form FGCC PMW-3420, Slot Machine Business Entity Occupational License Application, incorporated by reference in subsection (2), above, and any subsequent enforcement action regarding the business entity or entity employee's conduct:

(a) and (b) No change.

(c) The information required pursuant to the requirements of paragraph (3)(n)(m), above, is further excluded from the required application as well as the requirement for the continued maintenance of that information in corporate records for inspection;

(d) through (e) No change.

(5) through (12) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 16.712(2)(a), 551.103(1)(b), (e), (g), 551.122 FS. Law Implemented 16.712(1)(a), 16.718, 550.0251(2), 551.103(1)(b), 551.107(2), (4), (5), (6), (7), (9), 551.108 FS. History—New 7-30-06, Amended 6-21-10, 8-14-11, 9-26-13, 5-30-17, 9-1-20, Formerly 61D-14.006, Amended 1-11-26,___.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Florida Gaming Control Commission

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: The Commissioners of the Florida Gaming Control Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE WAS APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: October 8, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF RULE DEVELOPMENT WAS PUBLISHED IN FAR: June 30, 2026

Section III Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Sales and Use Tax, Surtax, Surcharge, and Fees;

Communications Services Tax

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

12A-1.071 Rentals, Leases, or License to Use Tangible
Personal Property

NOTICE OF CORRECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following technical change has been made to the above rule:

12A-1.071 Rentals, Leases, or License to Use Tangible Personal Property.

Rulemaking Authority 212.0598(4), 212.11(2), 212.12(1)(b), (6), 212.13(2), (3), 212.18(2), 213.06(1) FS. Law Implemented 212.02(1), (4), (10)(g), (12), (14)(a), (15)(a), (16), (19), 212.04, 212.05(1)(c), (d), (f), (h), (i), 212.0598, 212.06(1)(a), (2)(e), (8), 212.08(7)(e), (f), (v), (y), 212.11(2), (3), 212.12(1)(b), (6), (9), 212.13(2), (3), 212.18(2), 402.61 FS. History—New 10-7-68, Amended 1-7-70, 6-16-72, 12-11-74, 12-31-81, 7-20-82, Formerly 12A-1.71, Amended 1-2-89, 10-5-92, 11-16-93, 8-15-94, 10-17-94, 3-20-96, 8-1-02, 6-12-03, 9-28-04, 11-3-09, Technical Change 10-12-26.

Section IV Emergency Rules

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Personnel Management System

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

60LER26-2 Selected Exempt Service Extraordinary
Payment Plan

SPECIFIC FACTS AND REASONS FOR FINDING AN IMMEDIATE DANGER TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE: Executive Order 26-202 declared a state of emergency for the State of Florida because Tropical Depression Nine (now Hurricane Isaias) poses a severe threat to the State of Florida and requires that timely precautions are taken to protect the communities, critical infrastructure, and general welfare of this State

REASONS FOR CONCLUDING THAT THE PROCEDURE USED IS FAIR UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES: The procedure is fair in that it temporarily provides all agencies with the ability to provide necessary compensation to the additional employees that need to be deployed for the purpose of avoiding the prevention, hindrance, or delay of actions coping with the

emergency; provides at least the procedural protections given by other statutes, the State Constitution, or the United States Constitution; and takes only action that is necessary to protect the public interest under the emergency procedures in a manner that treats all similarly affected state employees fairly.

SUMMARY: This rule modifies Rule 60L-32.0071, F.A.C., to allow agencies to provide extraordinary payment to employees at the bureau chief or bureau chief comparable level under certain circumstances.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RULE IS: Kristen G. Larson, General Counsel, Department of Management Services, (850)922-2137, Kristen.Larson@dms.fl.gov.

THE TEXT OF THE EMERGENCY RULE IS:

60LER26-2 ~~60L-32.0071~~ Selected Exempt Service Extraordinary Payment Plan.

(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 60L-34.0031(3), F.A.C., an agency may propose, for Department approval, an agency-wide plan to compensate excluded Selected Exempt Service (SES) employees below the bureau chief or bureau chief comparable level who are directed to work hours in excess of the contracted hours in the regular work period in response to an unforeseen extraordinary event or occurrence to provide agency mission critical services to the public subject to the following:

(1) through (6) renumbered as (a) through (f). No Change.

(2) An agency with an activated SES extraordinary payment plan as provided in subsection (1) may provide extraordinary payment to excluded SES employees at the bureau chief or bureau chief comparable level who are directed to work hours in excess of the contracted hours in the regular work period in order to cope with the emergency conditions underlying Executive Order 2026-202, and any extensions thereto. Agencies are not required to submit to the Department an additional SES extraordinary payment plan in order to provide compensation under this subsection.

Rulemaking Authority 110.1055, 110.201(1), 110.602, 110.605(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 110.201, 110.603 FS. History—New 10-8-12, Supersedes 60L-32.0071, 10-8-26.

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 8, 2026

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Personnel Management System

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

60LER26-3 Administrative Leave

SPECIFIC FACTS AND REASONS FOR FINDING AN IMMEDIATE DANGER TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE: Executive Order 26-202 declared a state of emergency for the State of Florida because Tropical Depression Nine (now Hurricane Isaias) poses a severe threat to the State of Florida and requires that timely precautions are taken to protect the communities, critical infrastructure, and general welfare of this State.

REASONS FOR CONCLUDING THAT THE PROCEDURE USED IS FAIR UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES: The procedure is fair in that it temporarily provides all agencies with the ability to provide necessary compensation to the additional employees that need to be deployed for the purpose of avoiding the prevention, hindrance, or delay of actions coping with the emergency; provides at least the procedural protections given by other statutes, the State Constitution, or the United States Constitution; and takes only action that is necessary to protect the public interest under the emergency procedures in a manner that treats all similarly affected state employees fairly.

SUMMARY: This rule suspends the provision of Rule 60L-34.0071, F.A.C., prohibiting the use of administrative leave by employees on prior approved leaves of absence or scheduled holidays during an emergency.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RULE IS: Kristen G. Larson, General Counsel, Department of Management Services, (850)922-2137, Kristen.Larson@dms.fl.gov.

THE TEXT OF THE EMERGENCY RULE IS:

60LER26-3 ~~60L-34.0071~~ Administrative Leave.

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) An agency shall comply with the following provisions when granting administrative leave for the reasons described.

(a) through (d) No change.

(e) Closing facilities under emergency conditions:

1. When offices are closed pursuant to Executive Order of the Governor:

a. No change.

~~b. An employee who is on a prior approved leave of absence or scheduled holiday during an emergency shall not have the leave of absence changed to administrative leave.~~

b.e. No change.

2. No change.

(f) through (i) No change.

Specific Authority 110.201, 110.219(5) FS. Law Implemented 110.219 FS. History—New 1-1-02, Amended 10-26-06, Supersedes 60L-34.0071, 10-8-26.

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 8, 2026

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-1.004 General Sanitation and Safety Requirements

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 09, 2026, the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, received a petition for An Emergency Variance from Vita Restaurant OPCO LLC. located in Coral Gables.

Paragraphs 61C-1.004(1)(a), 61C-1.004(2)(a), Florida Administrative Code and Paragraph 5-202.11(A), 2017 FDA Food Code, subsection 61C-4.010(7), Florida Administrative Code, subsection 61C-4.010(6), Florida Administrative Code, and Section 6-402.11, 2017 FDA Food Code. The above referenced F.A.C. addresses the requirement that each establishment have an approved plumbing system installed to transport potable water and wastewater and the requirement that at least one accessible bathroom on the same level be provided for use by customers and employees. They are requesting to utilize holding tanks to provide potable water and to collect wastewater at the handwash sink and utilize bathrooms located on a different level.

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

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

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61C-1.004 General Sanitation and Safety Requirements

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 09, 2026, the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, received a petition for An Emergency Variance from Sunshine Edison Corporation LLC located in Fort Myers.

Paragraph 61C-1.004(1)(a), Florida Administrative Code and Paragraph 5-202.11(A), 2017 FDA Food Code. The above referenced F.A.C. addresses the requirement that each establishment have an approved plumbing system installed to transport potable water and wastewater. They are requesting to utilize holding tanks to provide potable water and to collect wastewater at the handwash sink and 3 compartment sink.

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

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

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61C-4.010 Sanitation and Safety Requirements

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 09, 2026, the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, received a petition for a Routine Variance from Northern Shores Group LLC. located in Orlando.

Subparagraph 3-305.11(A)(2), 2017 FDA Food Code, Section 3-305.14, 2017 FDA Food Code, Section 6-202.15, 2017 FDA Food Code, Section 6-202.16, 2017 FDA Food Code, subsection 61C-4.010(1), Florida Administrative Code, and subsection 61C-4.010(6), Florida Administrative Code. The above referenced F.A.C. addresses the requirement for proper handling and dispensing of food. They are requesting to dispense bulk time/temperature control for safety foods from an open air mobile food dispensing vehicle.

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

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

Section VI Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

Division of Administration

The CRAFT Foundation, Inc. Technical Working Group announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Monday, October 19, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: 600 N. Broadway Ave, Suite 101, Bartow, FL 33830 or via Zoom at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82268554504?pwd=AadcrnNsv5APhp7Mp3aY0aApAKIm3K.1>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The CRAFT Technical Working Group will meet to discuss and execute matters of the committee including, but not limited to, consideration of therapies to be eligible for use in ETT Round 5, and other field-trial priorities.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Tamara Wood at (863)698-9276.

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: Tamara Wood at (863)698-9276. 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: Tamara Wood at (863)698-9276.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Division of Blind Services

The Division of Blind Services/Bureau of Business Enterprise announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 22, 2026, 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Via Microsoft Teams meeting

Join:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/216849915519046?p=Gb2VXZNOxqoNPC4UYb>

Meeting ID: 216 849 915 519 046

Passcode: U92oU2gu

Dial in by phone

+1(850)583-5063, 203126335# United States, Tallahassee

Phone conference ID: 203 126 335#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Planning for 2027 Biennial Seminar.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Mary Ellen Harding

maryellen.harding@dbf.fldoe.org

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Mary Ellen Harding

maryellen.harding@dbf.fldoe.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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: Mary Ellen Harding maryellen.harding@dbf.fldoe.org

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Property Tax Oversight Program

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

DATE AND TIME: October 19, 2026, 3:00 p.m. EDT

PLACE: 2450 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Building 2, Room 1220, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, and via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82361393598?pwd=iTguv3S6yg5AiE3p9knRVXfUiSG6Uk.1>

Meeting ID: 868 8653 0676/Passcode: 085875

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Department will present applications for the Certified Florida Collector and Certified Florida Collector Assistant designations. Please refer to the Certified Florida Collector Admissions and Certifications Committee meeting agenda on the Department's website at <https://floridarevenue.com/opengovt/Pages/meetings.aspx> before attending the meeting.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Kelly McLane at (850)941-6024 or kelly.mclane@floridarevenue.com. If you are hearing or speech

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

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DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Property Tax Oversight Program

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

DATE AND TIME: October 19, 2026, 2:00 p.m. EDT

PLACE: 2450 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Building 2, Room 1220, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, and via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83161948865?pwd=fYaePua5lGguPVxw1xHYb5QY7MwKfp.1>

Meeting ID: 831 6194 8865/Passcode: 252496

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Department will present applications for the Certified Florida Appraiser, Certified Florida Evaluator and Certified Cadastralist of Florida designations. Please refer to the Certified Florida Appraiser Admissions and Certifications Committee meeting agenda on the Department's website at <https://floridarevenue.com/opengovt/Pages/meetings.aspx> before attending the meeting.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 30, 2026, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

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

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Policy & Technical Subcommittee Workshop

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Amanda Carpenter at amanda.carpenter@dot.state.fl.us

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Amanda Carpenter at amanda.carpenter@dot.state.fl.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

The Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 12, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: 4000 Gateway Centre Blvd. Ste. 100 Pinellas Park, FL 33782

Join Zoom Meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86843973761?pwd=28z9SsQdg1gyFa1H53bjGoPEbsCcwz.1>

Meeting ID: 868 4397 3761

Passcode: 267730

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct the regular business of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Maria Robles, maria@tbrpc.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 4 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Maria Robles, maria@tbrpc.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Maria Robles, maria@tbrpc.org

REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

The Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council's Executive Budget Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 12, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: 4000 Gateway Centre Blvd. Ste. 100 Pinellas Park, Florida 33782

Join Zoom Meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82946965938?pwd=0jlmrwatYYaNb0Y2JHPrMBiiTHg3Fb.1>

Meeting ID: 829 4696 5938

Passcode: 751775

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct the regular business of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council Executive Budget Committee.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Maria Robles, maria@tbrpc.org

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For more information, you may contact: Maria Robles, maria@tbrpc.org

REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

South Florida Regional Planning Council

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

DATE AND TIME: Friday, October 30, 2026, 8:30 a.m.

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

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Blue Tech Jobs: Policy, Investment, and Workforce Development in SE Florida. Demonstrate to local officials and other regional stakeholders the potential for, and the challenges faced by Blue Tech; Explore different ways of supporting Blue Tech through land use and regulation, workforce systems, commercialization, demonstration projects, and innovative partnerships; and support its expansion in Southeast Florida through the identification of implementable next steps

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: A copy of the Agenda may be obtained by contacting Administration at the South Florida Regional Planning Council, 1 Oakwood Boulevard, Suite 250, Hollywood, Florida 33020; (954)924-3653; sfadmin@sfrpc.com or the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, 421 SW Camden Avenue, Stuart, Florida 34994; lgulick@tcrpc.org; or (772) 221-4060.

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: A copy of the Agenda may be obtained by contacting Administration at the South Florida Regional

Planning Council, 1 Oakwood Boulevard, Suite 250, Hollywood, Florida 33020; (954)924-3653; sfadmin@sfrpc.com or the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, 421 SW Camden Avenue, Stuart, Florida 34994; lgulick@terpc.org; or (772)221-4060. 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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REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

South Florida Regional Planning Council

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

DATE AND TIME: Monday, October 26, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

PLACE: 1 Oakwood Boulevard, Suite 250, Hollywood, FL 33020

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83939890363?pwd=pxvQpvmfvlslZmWKbKupUxTJwyxguL1>

Meeting ID: 839 3989 0363, Passcode: 396186

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Regular Monthly Meeting.

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COMMISSION ON ETHICS

The Florida Commission on Ethics announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, October 23, 2026, 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: First District Court of Appeal, First Floor Conference Room, 2000 Drayton Drive, Tallahassee, FL

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Commission on Ethics Regular Meeting

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: www.ethics.state.fl.us or (850)488-7864.

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: (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).

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DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

State Retirement Commission

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

DATE AND TIME: October 28, 2026, 11:00 a.m.

PLACE:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/274959276461582?p=PneDUb7ouA0mPwy1w5> , Meeting ID: 274 959 276 461 582, Passcode: sN7DM3s2

Dial in by phone: +1(850)739-6768, 417440703# United States, Tallahassee, Phone conference ID: 417 440 703#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct hearings pursuant to Section 121.23, Florida Statutes, and to consider other matters related to the business of the Commission.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Department of Management Services, 4050 Esplanade Way, Suite 160, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-0950 or by calling (850)487-2410.

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 15 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Department of Management Services, 4050 Esplanade Way, Suite 160, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0950 or by calling (850)487-2410. 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: Department of Management Services, 4050 Esplanade Way, Suite 160, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0950 or call (850)487-2410.

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

State Retirement Commission

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

DATE AND TIME: October 26, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

PLACE:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/269690084143315?p=LRIWm3yGvGr73WD7Kg>

Meeting ID: 269 690 084 143 315 Passcode: 4hG9Ev2b

Dial in by phone: +1(850)739-6768, 747408169# United States, Tallahassee, Phone conference ID: 747 408 169#

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

The Board of Nursing announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 19, 2026, 9:00 a.m., ET

PLACE: Weblink: <https://meet.goto.com/589276869>

Dial in: 1(872)240-3212

Access Code: 589-276-869

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Probable Cause Panel meeting for public disciplinary cases.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: (850)245-4125. 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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PASCO-PINELLAS AREA AGENCY ON AGING

The AREA AGENCY ON AGING OF PASCO PINELLAS INC. announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 19, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Board of County Commissioners Boardroom, 8731 Citizens Drive, New Port Richey, FL 34654

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Items related to Area Agency on Aging of Pasco Pinellas Inc. business and Board of Directors Oversight.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Victoria Giambrone (727)570-9696 Ext: 265

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: Victoria Giambrone (727)570-9696 Ext: 265. 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: Victoria Giambrone (727)570-9696 Ext: 265

COMMISSION FOR FLORIDA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCREDITATION, INC.

The Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 21, 2026, 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
 PLACE: Queen/Royal at the Marriott Sanibel Harbour Resort
 (17260 Harbour Pointe Dr., Fort Myers, FL 33908)
 GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
 CFA SRIC
 Discussion of proposed standards changes.
 A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: (850)410-7200
flaccreditation@fdle.state.fl.us
 For more information, you may contact: (850)410-7200
flaccreditation@fdle.state.fl.us

COMMISSION FOR FLORIDA LAW ENFORCEMENT
 ACCREDITATION, INC.
 The Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation
 announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
 DATE AND TIME: October 21, 2026, 3:45 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 PLACE: Queen/Royal at the Marriott Sanibel Harbour Resort
 (17260 Harbour Pointe Dr., Fort Myers, FL 33908)
 GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
 CFA Business Meeting
 Review agencies for accreditation or reaccreditation, and
 general business of the Commission.
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COMMISSION FOR FLORIDA LAW ENFORCEMENT
 ACCREDITATION, INC.
 The Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation
 announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
 DATE AND TIME: October 22, 2026, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
 PLACE: Marriott Sanibel Harbour Resort (17260 Harbour
 Pointe Dr., Fort Myers, FL 33908)
 Panel Review (A) in Everglades A
 Panel Review (B) in Everglades A
 GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
 Review of agencies for accreditation or reaccreditation.
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Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation, Inc.
 The Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation
 announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
 DATE AND TIME: October 22, 2026, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 PLACE: Queen/Royal at the Marriott Sanibel Harbour Resort
 (17260 Harbour Pointe Dr., Fort Myers, FL 33908)

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
 CFA Presentation of Awards
 Review of agencies for accreditation or reaccreditation, and
 general business of the Commission.
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FLORIDA CORRECTIONS ACCREDITATION
 COMMISSION, INC.
 The Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission announces
 a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
 DATE AND TIME: October 20, 2026, 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
 PLACE: Queen/Royal at the Marriott Sanibel Harbour Resort
 (17260 Harbour Pointe Dr., Fort Myers, FL 33908)
 GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
 FCAC SRIC
 Discussion of proposed standards changes.
 A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: (850)410-7200
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 For more information, you may contact: (850)410-7200
flaccreditation@fdle.state.fl.us

FLORIDA CORRECTIONS ACCREDITATION
 COMMISSION, INC.
 The Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission announces
 a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
 DATE AND TIME: October 20, 2026, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 PLACE: Everglades A at the Marriott Sanibel Harbour Resort
 (17260 Harbour Pointe Dr., Fort Myers, FL 33908)
 GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
 FCAC Executive Workshop
 Review agencies for accreditation or reaccreditation, and
 general business of the Commission.
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FLORIDA CORRECTIONS ACCREDITATION
 COMMISSION, INC.
 The Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission announces
 a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
 DATE AND TIME: October 21, 2026, 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
 PLACE: Everglades A at the Marriott Sanibel Harbour Resort
 (17260 Harbour Pointe Dr., Fort Myers, FL 33908)
 GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
 FCAC Panel Review

Review of agencies for accreditation or reaccreditation.
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FLORIDA CORRECTIONS ACCREDITATION COMMISSION, INC.

The Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
DATE AND TIME: October 21, 2026, 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
PLACE: Queens/Royal at the Marriott Sanibel Harbour Resort (17260 Harbour Pointe Dr., Fort Myers, FL 33908)
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: FCAC Business Meeting
Review agencies for accreditation or reaccreditation, and general business of the Commission
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Section VII
Notice of Petitions and Dispositions
Regarding Declaratory Statements

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
Finance

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR DECLARATORY STATEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Office of Financial Regulation has received the petition for declaratory statement from Greencard Payments Inc filed on October 8, 2026. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of Chapter 560, Florida Statutes, as it applies to the petitioner. On October 8, 2026, the Office of Financial Regulation (Consumer Finance) received a Petition for Declaratory Statement from Greencard Payments Inc. The petition seeks a declaratory statement from the Office on whether Petitioner's proposed business model (of a payment technology facilitator providing software infrastructure that allows consumers and merchants to connect for ACH-based payments. Petitioner does not issue payment instruments, hold stored value, or engage in currency exchange) requires licensure as a money transmitter or other money services business under Part II, Chapter 560, Florida Statutes. 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 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Division of Recreation and Parks
Invitation to Bid BDC10-26/27, Dr. Von D. Mizell-Eula Johnson State Park – Education Center Roof Replacement
NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID: The Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Design and Construction, is soliciting formal, competitive, sealed bids from contractors for bid number BDC10-26/27, Dr. Von D. Mizell-

Eula Johnson State Park – Education Center Roof Replacement.
More info @ <https://tinyurl.com/9xbfjh92>.

CITY OF CLERMONT

Competitive Bid -- 3700 S US Highway 27 Clermont, FL 34711
Request for Proposals – City of Clermont

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF UNSOLICITED PROPOSAL AND INVITATION TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MULTI-RECREATION FACILITY Friday October 9, 2026

The City of Clermont, Florida (“City”) has received an unsolicited proposal from a private entity for a qualifying project pursuant to Section 255.065, Florida Statutes (“P3 Statute”), for the design, construction, maintenance, and financing a combined government center (“Project”). Specifically, the Project proposes a concept for the design, construction, financing, and ongoing maintenance of buildings. Property is located on a portion of 3700 S US Highway 27 Clermont, FL 34711. This proposes to build a multi-use sports recreation facility based on feedback from the City’s American Bicycle Association Plan City’s. The City will accept other proposals for the same Project for 21 days from the date of this notice. Payment must be made by cash, cashier’s check, or other noncancelable instrument. Personal checks will not be accepted. Proposals must be delivered on or before 5:00 p.m. on Friday October 30, 2026, to the following address: 685 West Montrose Street Clermont, FL 34711. Proposals shall include all information, materials and requirements that are mandated pursuant to Section 255.065, Florida Statutes. Proposals must also meet the minimum standards contained in the City’s Code of Ordinances and Purchasing Manual for qualifying professional services and procurement contracts, and must be comprehensive, including at a minimum an executive summary, including cover letter, statutory authority, application fee confirmation, proposer contact information, submission date, and summarized project description, project need and benefit, qualifying project details, financing plan and payments, and team qualifications, as provided in the unsolicited proposal submitted to the City. The City reserves the right to reject proposals with or without cause and for any reason, to waive any irregularities or informalities, and to solicit and re-advertise for other proposals. Incomplete or non-responsive proposals may be rejected by the City as non-responsive or irregular. The City reserves the right to reject any proposal for any reason, including, but without limitation, if the Proposer fails to submit any required documentation, if the Proposer is in arrears or in default upon any debt or contract to the City or has failed to perform faithfully any previous contract with the City or with other governmental jurisdictions. DATED this 9th Day of October 2026.

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., Monday, October 5, 2026, and 3:00 p.m., Friday, October 9, 2026.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
1A-39.001	10/8/2026	10/28/2026
6A-1.0957	10/9/2026	10/29/2026
6A-10.0246	10/9/2026	10/29/2026
15A-6.001	10/5/2026	10/25/2026
15A-7.002	10/5/2026	10/25/2026
15A-9.002	10/5/2026	10/25/2026
15A-12.001	10/5/2026	10/25/2026
15B-1.002	10/5/2026	10/25/2026
15B-1.003	10/5/2026	10/25/2026
15B-1.004	10/5/2026	10/25/2026
15B-1.005	10/5/2026	10/25/2026
15B-10.001	10/5/2026	10/25/2026
15B-10.002	10/5/2026	10/25/2026
15B-12.011	10/5/2026	10/25/2026
15C-14.002	10/5/2026	10/25/2026
59G-4.002	10/6/2026	10/26/2026
60LER26-2	10/8/2026	10/8/2026
60LER26-3	10/8/2026	10/8/2026
61-20.011	10/7/2026	10/27/2026
64B5-16.001	10/6/2026	10/26/2026
64B5-16.006	10/6/2026	10/26/2026
64B5-16.0051	10/6/2026	10/26/2026
64B5-16.0061	10/6/2026	10/26/2026
64B16-26.304	10/5/2026	10/25/2026
68D-24.003	10/8/2026	10/28/2026
LIST OF RULES AWAITING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 120.541(3), 373.139(7) AND/OR 373.1391(6), FLORIDA STATUTES		
Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
14-10.0043	4/11/2025	**/**/****
65C-9.004	3/31/2022	**/**/****

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

Certificate of Need

DECISION ON EXPEDITED APPLICATION

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

County: Osceola District 7-3

CON #10975 Decision Date: 10/9/2026 Decision: Approved

Applicant/Facility/Project: HSP South Jax, LLC

Project Description: Transfer Exemption #E250023 from HSP South Jax, LLC to the applicant to establish a 152-bed community nursing home

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

HERNANDO COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

HERNANDO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REPORT OF PUBLIC INTEREST DETERMINATION REGARDING UNSOLICITED PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP PROPOSAL

Project: Northwest Waste Management Facility Landfill Gas-to-Renewable Natural Gas Project

Private Entity: Viridi Energy Asset Holdings IV, LLC

Notice is hereby given that Hernando County, Florida (the "County"), received an unsolicited proposal from Viridi Energy Asset Holdings IV, LLC ("Viridi") pursuant to section 255.065, Florida Statutes, and Sections 44 and 45 of the Hernando County Procurement Manual. Viridi proposes to finance, design, construct, own, operate, and maintain an integrated landfill gas collection, control, and beneficial-use project at the County's Northwest Waste Management Facility. The proposed project includes expansion and optimization of the landfill's gas collection and control system and construction of a renewable natural gas processing facility that would convert collected landfill gas into pipeline-quality renewable natural gas. The Hernando County Board of County Commissioners considered the unsolicited proposal at a duly noticed public meeting held on August 25, 2026. At the meeting, the proposal was presented, and affected public entities and members of the public were afforded an opportunity to provide comments. The Board authorized County staff to proceed with negotiating an interim agreement with Viridi and to continue consideration of the proposal without initiating a public bidding phase, subject to the additional public meeting, public-interest determination, agreement negotiations, and approval requirements of section 255.065, Florida Statutes, and the Hernando County Procurement Manual.

The Board considered the factors required by section 255.065(3)(c), Florida Statutes, and made the following preliminary findings:

Benefits to the Public

The proposed project would improve the collection and management of landfill gas at the Northwest Waste Management Facility, increase methane-capture efficiency, reduce emissions, support environmental and regulatory compliance, and convert an existing waste product into a beneficial renewable-energy resource. The project would also expand and improve the facility's gas collection and control infrastructure, including extraction wells, collection piping, flare systems, and associated monitoring and control systems. These improvements would support existing landfill operations and future landfill-cell development. The project is proposed to be funded entirely through private investment, thereby avoiding upfront County capital expenditures. It would also create a new long-term revenue stream for the County from an existing County resource and may support local employment and economic activity. The Board also considered that the County's prior agreement for the beneficial use and monetization of landfill gas has been terminated. At present, the collected landfill gas is not being put to its highest and best environmental or financial use for the benefit of County residents. The proposed project would provide a means to convert that existing resource into renewable natural gas, improve its environmental use, and restore an opportunity for the County to receive revenue from the gas. Although Viridi proposes to own the renewable natural gas facility during the proposed term and ownership is not presently proposed to be conveyed to the County after commercial operations begin, the public benefits apart from ownership include privately funded infrastructure improvements, enhanced landfill-gas management, improved environmental performance, support for regulatory compliance, recurring revenue to the County, and preservation of County ownership and control of the underlying landfill property. Financial Structure and Economic Efficiencies Viridi proposes to fund 100 percent of the project's development and construction costs and to assume responsibility for financing, design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the landfill gas collection and renewable natural gas systems. No upfront capital cost to the County is proposed. Compensation to the County would be performance-based and derived from a royalty on gross revenues generated by the sale of renewable natural gas and associated environmental attributes. Payments would be calculated monthly and remitted quarterly, accompanied by production and revenue reports. Based upon the proposal, estimated County revenue during the proposed twenty-year term ranges from approximately \$19,885,540 to \$40,000,168, with an estimated net present value ranging from approximately

\$11,313,862 to \$19,659,423. These figures remain projections subject to validation, negotiation, market conditions, project performance, and approval of an interim agreement and comprehensive agreement. The proposed structure may produce economic efficiencies by combining project financing, design, construction, operation, maintenance, and optimization under a single private entity; using private capital instead of County capital; and generating revenue from landfill gas that would otherwise have limited beneficial use. The Board also considered the potential availability and financial significance of the federal investment tax credit ("ITC") to the proposed project. Based on the information presented at the meeting, the facility would need to be placed in service and producing renewable natural gas by the end of 2028 to obtain the maximum anticipated benefit associated with the ITC. The Board considered the proposed schedule important because the availability and value of the tax credit may affect the project's financial structure, economic feasibility, and potential financial return to the County. The availability, amount, and treatment of any tax credit remain subject to applicable federal law, project eligibility, timely completion, and further due diligence and negotiation. Qualifications, Experience, and Ability of the Private Entity to Perform the Project Viridi represented that it and its personnel have experience developing, financing, constructing, commissioning, owning, and operating landfill gas-to-renewable-natural-gas projects throughout the United States. The proposal identifies representative projects in Alabama, Wisconsin, New Hampshire, and Nebraska. Viridi also represented that its financing platform is supported by institutional capital and relationships with infrastructure lenders. Based on the information submitted, Viridi and its proposed team appear to possess relevant experience and qualifications sufficient to warrant further consideration and negotiation. Final determinations concerning financial capacity, technical capability, performance requirements, security, and risk allocation will be addressed through additional due diligence and negotiation of any interim and comprehensive agreements.

Compatibility With Regional Infrastructure Plans

The proposed project is compatible with existing and planned operations at the Northwest Waste Management Facility. The site has established landfill operations, continuing disposal capacity, consistent waste intake, and proximity to pipeline infrastructure. The proposed project would be located within the existing landfill footprint and is expected to require approximately one-half to one acre for the renewable natural gas processing facility. Potential infrastructure considerations include utility service, pipeline interconnection, site access, landfill traffic, construction staging, and coordination with existing and future landfill operations. These matters would be evaluated and addressed during due diligence, project design,

permitting, and negotiation of the interim and comprehensive agreements.

Public Comments

No comments opposing or raising concerns regarding the proposed project were submitted by affected public or private business entities during the August 25, 2026, meeting. During the August 25, 2026, meeting, members of the public asked questions and offered comments concerning project safety, regulatory oversight by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection ("FDEP"), the purpose of the proposed extraction wells, the need for appropriate protections during contract negotiations, opportunities to use qualified local contractors, the County's current disposition of landfill gas and any resulting unrealized revenue, and the project's anticipated financial and environmental benefits to the community. It was explained that the County's prior agreement to monetize landfill gas had been terminated and that the gas is not currently being used in a manner that provides the best available environmental and financial benefits to County residents. In response to the remaining questions, representatives explained that the facility would be operated in accordance with applicable federal and state safety requirements governing gas facilities and that local firefighters would be provided an opportunity to tour the facility and receive site-specific orientation. Representatives further confirmed that the project would be subject to applicable FDEP permitting and regulatory requirements. Regarding the wells, it was clarified that they are gas-extraction wells, not injection wells, and that landfill-gas collection wells are required independently of the proposed project because landfill gases cannot be released uncontrolled into the atmosphere. Representatives also stated that reasonable efforts would be made to engage qualified local contractors. The County further advised that it would retain qualified external consultants with relevant industry expertise to assist with due diligence and contract negotiations and to protect the County's interests. The Board considered these questions, responses, and favorable public comments regarding the project's potential financial and environmental benefits and determined that the matters raised can be appropriately addressed through regulatory compliance, technical review, due diligence, and carefully negotiated agreement terms and therefore do not preclude further consideration of the proposal.

Public Interest Determination

Based upon the foregoing factors and findings, the Board determined that further consideration of the unsolicited proposal without initiating a public bidding phase is in the public interest. The proposed project has the potential to provide substantial environmental, operational, infrastructure, and financial benefits to the County while using private financing and avoiding upfront County capital costs. This determination authorizes continued evaluation and negotiation

only. It does not constitute approval of an interim agreement, comprehensive agreement, lease, gas-rights agreement, construction activity, or final project. Any interim agreement and comprehensive agreement will be presented to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration and approval at duly noticed public meetings. The County reserves the right to discontinue negotiations or reject the proposal at any time before execution of a comprehensive agreement.

A second duly noticed public meeting will be held at a date and time to be determined in the John Law Ayers County Commission Chambers, Hernando County Government Center, 20 North Main Street, Room 160, Brooksville, Florida 34601. At that meeting, the Board will receive additional public comment and determine whether to proceed with an interim agreement for the unsolicited proposal without engaging in a public bidding process.

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