

Section I

Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

**DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGULATION**

State Boxing Commission

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61K1-4.022 Kickboxing Apparel

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: This rule amendment is proposed to correct spelling and delete text.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Correction from “paints” to “pants” & delete subsection (6) completely regarding headgear.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 548.003(2) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 548.003, 548.0065 FS.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Patrick Cunningham, Executive Director, Florida State Boxing Commission, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1016, (850)488-8500 or by electronic mail- Patrick.Cunningham@myfloridalegal.com

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

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

67-49.0005 General Provisions

67-49.001 Definitions

67-49.002 Procurement of Commodities or Contractual Services

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of any proposed revisions will be to clarify terms and update statutory references.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Procurement of commodities or contractual services.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 420.507(12) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 420.507(13), 420.507(27) FS.

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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: Jenny Marshall, Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 N. Bronough Street, Suite 5000. Tallahassee, FL 32301 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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THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE.

Section II

Proposed Rules

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Division of Elections

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

1S-2.009 Constitutional Amendment by Initiative Petition

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of rulemaking is to conform the rules to statutory changes in HB 5 (Chapter 2019-64, Laws of Florida), and as further modified by SB 1794 (Chapter 2020-15, Laws of Florida), which collectively amend sections 97.021 and 100.371, Florida Statutes. The laws require, among other things, paid petition circulators to register with the Secretary of State; require petition forms to be made available to constitutional amendment initiative petition sponsors; require the Secretary to maintain a paid petition circulator database; require supervisors of elections to provide specified information to the Division of Elections; provide requirements for gathering petition forms; provide for the imposition of fines for failure to deliver petition forms within a specified time period and provide for defenses; allow the Secretary to refer petition form violations to the Attorney General for enforcement; require the Division of Elections to adopt rules; and provide that the date the elector signs a petition form is presumed to be the date the sponsor collected the form. The changes to the rules are to incorporate these and other changes in the law.

SUMMARY: Constitutional amendment by initiative petition and related processes for petition circulators, supervisors, and the division of elections.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: This rule will not require legislative ratification pursuant to Section 120.541(3), F.S., because the rule applies only to election-related activities. Based upon past experiences with rules of this nature, this rule will not have an adverse effect on businesses or private-sector economic growth, job-creation, employment or investment; it is not likely to have an adverse impact on business competitiveness nor innovation in excess of the statutory threshold; nor will it increase regulatory costs in excess of the threshold mandating legislative ratification. No other statute requires legislative ratification for this rule.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 20.10, 97.012(1), (2), 97.052, FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 97.021, 100.371, FS.

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

DATE AND TIME: June 10, 2021, 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Heritage Hall (Department of State Auditorium), R.A. Gray Building, 500 S. Bronough St., Tallahassee, FL 32399.

Call-in also available at: 1(888)585-9008; Conference Room # 659-459-077.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Colleen O'Brien, Assistant General Counsel, at Colleen.O'Brien@dos.myflorida.com or (850)245-6519.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

1S-2.009 Constitutional Amendment by Initiative Petition; Form Approval; Circulation.

(1) Forms. All forms referenced herein are incorporated by reference and are available online on the Division of Elections' website at <https://www.dos.myflorida.com/elections> under the header for forms, through the rule as adopted under www.flrules.org, or from the Florida Department of State, Division of Elections, Room 316, R.A. Gray Building, 500 S. Bronough Street, Tallahassee, 32399-0250, (850) 245-6200.

(2)(1) Submission of Initiative Petition Approval Process.

(a) Submission. Before a petition to place a proposed amendment to the Florida State Constitution on the ballot by initiative can be circulated for signatures, the sponsoring political committee must receive approval of the initiative petition format of the proposed form from the Secretary of State. The sponsoring committee shall email submit a written request that includes the proposed language to DivElections@DOS.MyFlorida.com for review, along with a copy of the proposed form, to the Secretary of State.

(b)(2) Requirements and Approval of Initiative Petition Form.

1.(a) The Secretary of State shall review the initiative petition form solely for sufficiency of the format and shall render a decision within seven (7) days following receipt.

2. The proposed language submitted by by the sponsoring political committee shall consist of the following:

(b) ~~The format of an initiative petition submitted for review and approval by the Secretary of State shall be in accordance with Form DS-DE 19 (effective 05/2014; <https://www.flrules.org/gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-04015>), entitled "Constitutional Amendment Petition Form" and the requirements of this rule. Form DS-DE 19 is hereby incorporated by reference and is available from the Florida Department of State, Division of Elections, Room 316, R.A. Gray Building, 500 South Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250, (850)245-6500, or by download from the Division of Elections' rules webpage at: <http://election.dos.state.fl.us>. The format of the petition form is deemed sufficient only if the petition form:~~

1. ~~Is printed on separate cards or individual sheets of paper. The minimum size of such forms shall be 3 inches by 5 inches and the maximum shall be 8 1/2 inches by 11 inches.~~

2. ~~Clearly and conspicuously contains in the following order:~~

a. ~~The title "Constitutional Amendment Petition Form" at the top of the form.~~

b. ~~The three statements as exactly worded in the box on the top of Form DS-DE 19.~~

c. ~~Adequate blank lines for the voter's name, address, city, county, voter registration number and date of birth as specified on the DS-DE 19.~~

~~d. A check box and accompanying text so the voter may indicate a change in the voter's legal residence address on the voter's voter registration record as specified on the DS-DE 19.~~

~~e. The statement, "I am a registered voter of Florida and hereby petition the Secretary of State to place the following proposed amendment to the Florida Constitution on the ballot in the general election."~~

~~a.f. The ballot title, which shall not exceed 15 words.~~

~~b.g. The ballot summary, which shall not exceed 75 words.~~

~~c.h. The article and section being created or amended in the Florida State Constitution. For each existing article and/or section being amended, the language shall be in the format "Amends Article [insert number], Section [insert number]." The article and section number provided must correspond to an existing section of the Constitution and must correspond with the full text of the proposed amendment. For each article and/or section being created, the language shall be in the format, "Creates Article [insert], New Section".~~

~~d.i. The full text of the amendment being proposed. If the proposed constitutional amendment amends an existing section or sections, the full text shall include the entire existing text of the section or sections being amended. Text that is being inserted into the Constitution shall be notated with an underline, and text that is being deleted shall be notated with a strike through. If the text must be printed on both sides of the form, it shall be clearly indicated that the text is continued or begins on the other side.~~

~~j. Adequate blank lines for the date of the voter's signature and the voter's signature. The petition shall contain a blank line for only one voter's signature. The Secretary of State will not approve petition forms providing for multiple signatures per page.~~

~~k. A disclaimer that states "Initiative petition sponsored by (name and address of the sponsoring political committee)."~~

~~l. Adequate blank lines, in accordance with Section 106.19(3), F.S., for the name and address of a paid petition circulator, if one is used.~~

~~m. The notation "For Official Use Only" as specified on Form DS-DE 19 providing adequate blank lines labeled "Serial Number" and "Date Approved."~~

~~(e) The petition need not contain the designation of Form DS-DE 19 and its effective date or the reference to this rule as shown on the sample Form DS-DE 19.~~

~~(3) Word Count. The following provisions apply to determine the word count for a ballot title and summary:~~

~~(a) Hyphenated compound words count as two or more words.~~

~~(b) An ampersand or A plus or minus sign shall count as one word.~~

~~(c) Punctuation such as commas, periods, hyphens, question marks, parentheses, quotation marks or exclamation points, does not affect the word count.~~

~~(d) Each word joined by a forward or back slash to another word counts separately as a word.~~

~~(e) Each part of a date counts as one word. Example: January 1, 2025 shall count as three words.~~

~~(f) Each word in a name is individually counted. Example: George Washington shall count as two words.~~

~~(g) Each whole number shall count as a word.~~

~~(h) Spaces do not affect the word count.~~

~~(4) Additional Information or Materials. Other than providing information or a method by which the petition form may be returned by mail to the sponsoring committee, no additional information or materials shall be printed directly on the form.~~

~~(c) Approved Petition Forms.~~

~~1. Upon approval of the format of an initiative petition, (5) Assignment of a Serial Number. The Secretary of State shall assign a serial number to each approved the petition form. The serial number shall begin with the last two digits of the calendar year in which the petition form is approved followed by a number in numerical sequence. For example, the first petition form approved in 2021 2006 is assigned the serial number 21-01 06-01. The serial number assigned and approval date must will be printed in the designated location on the forms as described below lower right hand corner of the petition form.~~

~~2. Upon assignment of a serial number, the Division shall include, in the designated spaces:~~

~~a. On Constitutional Amendment Petition Forms: the ballot title, ballot summary, serial number and date approved, and name and address of the sponsoring committee on Form DS-DE 155A (effective XX/XXXX; [insert form reference link]) entitled "Constitutional Amendment Petition Form – Volunteer." The form number, effective date, and reference to this rule need not appear on the form. An electronic copy in PDF format, suitable for use by volunteers or directly by voters, shall be provided to the sponsoring political committee and made available on the Division's website. Paid petition circulators, as defined below, will obtain their forms, Form DS-DE 155B (effective XX/XXXX; [insert form reference link]) entitled "Constitutional Amendment Petition Form – Circulator" directly online in PDF format once they are registered with the Division pursuant to subsection (3).~~

~~b. On Constitutional Amendment Full Text Forms: the ballot title, ballot summary, article and section being created or amended, full text of the proposed amendment, serial number and date approved, and name and address of the sponsoring committee on a supplemental Form DS-DE 156 (effective XX/XXXX; [insert form reference link]) entitled "Constitutional Amendment Full Text." The form number,~~

effective date, and reference to this rule need not appear on the form. An electronic copy shall be provided to the sponsoring political committee and made available on the Division's website. If the full text of the proposed amendment fits on a single page, it shall be clearly indicated with page numbers in the following format: Page 1 of 1" as indicated on the DS-DE 156 form. If the full text of the proposed amendment does not fit on a single page, the language can extend onto the reverse side of the paper or onto multiple sheets of paper. In such a case, the box entitled "Initiative Information" shall appear at the bottom of each page. In addition, it shall be clearly indicated that the form is multiple pages in length with page numbers in the following format: "Page [current page] of [total number of pages]" as indicated on the DS-DE 156 form. Wherever the DS-DE 155A or DS-DE 155B forms are circulated for signature, a copy of the full text of the associated proposed amendment on DS-DE 156 shall also be provided or displayed to show the voter before signing the petition.

(3)(6) Changes. Any change to a previously approved petition form shall be submitted to the Secretary of State for review. No person or entity other than the sponsoring political committee of the previously approved petition form can submit a change or changes to the previously approved petition form. The Secretary of State must approve any material change to a previously approved petition form. A material change constitutes a change in the wording of the text of the proposed amendment, the ballot title, or ballot summary, or a change in punctuation or layout, or a change in the name of the sponsoring political committee. Any material change submitted for approval to a previously approved initiative petition constitutes a request for approval of a new petition form and shall be assigned a different serial number upon approval by the Secretary of State. Upon assignment of the new serial number, the old serial number shall be deactivated, and the forms bearing that serial number shall no longer be valid for circulation and collection of signatures.

(4) Translation. A translation into another language does not constitute a material change to an initiative petition form. The sponsoring political committee is responsible for ensuring that if translated into another language, the translation must not add or subtract from the approved English language and format of the petition and its blank entries. Any material change submitted for approval to a previously approved initiative petition constitutes a request for approval of a new petition form and shall be assigned a different serial number upon approval by the Secretary of State.

(5)(7) Reproduction. Subject to the requirements of Section (6), petition forms may be reproduced in newspapers, magazines, and other forms of printed mass media, or made available through the internet for download printing, or mailed, emailed, or faxed directly to voters, provided such forms are

reproduced in the same format as approved by the Secretary of State. The petition forms may be included within a larger advertisement, provided the forms are clearly defined by a solid or broken line border.

(6) Petition Circulators.

(a) Paid Petition Circulator. An individual who collects signatures for compensation for the purpose of qualifying a proposed constitutional amendment for ballot placement is herein referred to as a "paid petition circulator." A paid petition circulator must register with the Division of Elections. To register, the person must submit an online registration application through the Division's petition circulator portal at <https://dos.elections.myflorida.com/InitiativePetitions/InitiativePetitionsPublic>.

1. The paid petition circulator must provide his or her name, permanent address, temporary address, if applicable, and date of birth. Additionally, if the permanent address is not a Florida address, the paid petition circulator must provide a Florida address at which the circulator will accept service of process. The paid petition circulator must select each approved initiative petition for which the circulator is being paid to collect signatures. The paid petition circulator must email the Division of Elections at DivElections@DOS.MyFlorida.com with any changes to name, permanent address, and temporary address that occur subsequent to initial registration.

2. The Division of Elections shall assign a login account. The paid petition circulator shall be assigned a unique paid petition circulator registration number. If the petitions for which the petition circulator is registered are closed, and the petition circulator is no longer registered for any petitions, the Division will notify the petition circulator via the email address used by the paid petition circulator to register and inquire of the circulator's intent to remain registered. If the Division does not receive a response from the paid petition circulator within 10 days, the paid petition circulator's online registration will expire. The paid petition circulator may re-register at any time.

3. Once registered, a paid petition circulator can obtain electronic copies of DS-DE 155B and DS-DE 156 forms from the Division by logging into the petition circulator portal available on the Division's website. The portal will provide each petition circulator with electronic copies of DS-DE 155B forms in PDF format that provides the circulator's information in the designated spaces on the form. The DS-DE 155B petitions provided to the circulator will be uniquely marked for that circulator. The circulator is then responsible for producing physical copies from the electronic file.

(b) Volunteer Petition Circulators. All other individuals who collect signatures, but not for compensation, for the purpose of qualifying a proposed constitutional amendment for ballot placement are not required to register with the Division of Elections. Volunteer circulators shall circulate the DS-DE

155A form, as provided to the sponsoring political committee or downloaded and printed from the Division of Elections' website.

(7)(8) Submission of Signed Petition Forms. All signed petition forms shall be returned to the sponsoring political committee. Only the sponsoring political committee shall submit the signed petition forms to the Supervisors of Elections for verification of signatures in accordance with Rule 1S-2.0091, F.A.C.

(8) Pursuant to section 100.371(9), F.S., the petition sponsor shall account for all petition forms turned in by their agents. Such accounting shall be provided upon request to the Division of Elections in the course of reviewing Elections Fraud Complaints (DS-DE 34) and Forms for Complaints Against Petition Circulators (DS-DE 153).

(9) Effect on Previously Approved Petition Forms.

(a) For volunteer petition circulators, aAny petition form approved by the Secretary of State prior to the effective date of this rule may continue to be used and circulated for signature gathering unless a material change, as defined above in subsection (3), to the previously approved petition form has been approved by the Secretary of State or until the sponsoring political committee notifies the Secretary of State that the committee is no longer seeking to obtain ballot position, or the registration of the sponsoring political committee has been revoked in accordance with Rule 1S-2.021, F.A.C.

(b) For forms circulated by paid petition circulators, a signature gathered on or after 30 days after the effective date of this rule, may only be verified by a Supervisor of Elections in accordance with Rule 1S-2.009 if the signature is on Form DS-DE 155B, the paid petition circulator has completed the Petition Circulator's Affidavit, and the paid petition circulator was validly registered with the Division of Elections when the signature was obtained.

Rulemaking Authority 20.10(3), 97.012(1), 100.371(2), (7), 101.161(2) FS. Law Implemented ~~Art. XI, Fla. Const.,~~ 100.371, 101.161 FS. History—New 7-2-79, Formerly 1C-7.09, Amended 7-7-86, Formerly 1C-7.009, Amended 3-5-96, 7-31-02, 3-16-06, 10-15-07, 10-13-08, 5-21-14,_____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
 Maria Matthews, Director, Division of Elections
 NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Laurel M. Lee, Secretary of State
 DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 05, 2021
 DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 4, 2021

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Division of Elections

RULE NO.: 1S-2.0091
 RULE TITLE: Constitutional Amendment Initiative Petition; Submission Deadline; Signature Verification

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of rulemaking is to conform the rules to statutory changes in HB 5 (Chapter 2019-64, Laws of Florida), and as further modified by SB 1794 (Chapter 2020-15, Laws of Florida), which collectively amend sections 97.021 and 100.371, Florida Statutes. The laws, among other things, require paid petition circulators to register with the Secretary; require petition forms to be made available to constitutional amendment initiative petition sponsors; require the Secretary to maintain a paid petition circulator database; require supervisors of elections to provide specified information to the Division of Elections; provide requirements for gathering petition forms; provide for the imposition of fines for failure to deliver petition forms within a specified time period and provide for defenses; allow the Secretary of State to refer petition form violations to the Attorney General for enforcement; require the Division of Elections to adopt rules; and provide that the date the elector signs a petition form is presumed to be the date the sponsor collected the form. The changes to the rules are to incorporate these and other changes in the law.

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THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

1S-2.0091 Constitutional Amendment Initiative Petition; Submission Deadline; Signature Verification.

(1) Application and-Forms. The process in this rule applies solely to constitutional amendments proposed by initiative. The form referenced herein is incorporated by reference and is available online on the Division of Elections' website at <https://www.dos.myflorida.com/elections> under header for forms, through the rule as adopted under www.flrules.org, or from the Florida Department of State, Division of Elections, Room 316, R.A. Gray Building, 500 S. Bronough Street, Tallahassee, 32399-0250, (850) 245-6200.

(2) Submission.

(a) Signed initiative petition forms proposing amendments to the Florida Constitution shall be submitted by the sponsoring political committee (hereinafter "petition sponsor") to the Supervisor of Elections for the county of residence listed by the person signing the form.

(b) If a form submitted by a paid petition circulator is not timely submitted within 30 days after the voter signs the form, the petition sponsor is liable for the fines set forth in section 100.371(7)(a)1. and 2., F.S.. If the 30th day falls on a weekend,

holiday, or other day on which the Supervisor of Elections office is closed, the petition form must be delivered to the Supervisor of Elections by the following business day. Supervisors shall submit copies of untimely filed petitions filed by paid petition circulators to the Division of Elections, along with an indication of date received for each, such that the Division may provide notification to petition sponsors and impose statutory fines. The untimely filing of a form does not invalidate the signature on the form.

(c) If the Supervisor of Elections determines that the signer of the petition is a registered voter in another county, the Supervisor of Elections shall notify the petition sponsor that the petition has been misfiled. It is the responsibility of the ~~petition sponsor sponsoring political committee~~ thereafter to ensure that the misfiled petition form is properly filed with the Supervisor of Elections for the county in which the ~~signer~~ signee is a registered voter. In the case of a misfiled petition by a paid petition circulator, the filing date of the petition is the date such petition is filed with the proper county-, except that for purposes of determining fines on a petition sponsor pursuant to section 100.371(7)(a)1. and 2., the 30-day clock is reset when the Supervisor of Elections returns the misfiled form to the petition sponsor. If a misfiled form is returned to the petition sponsor, the Supervisor of Elections shall notate the return date on the form.

(d) For petition forms submitted less than 60 days before February 1, of an even-numbered year, the petition sponsor shall ensure that the forms are bundled or separated in some manner by circulator prior to submitting the forms to the Supervisor of Elections.

(3)(2) Signature Verification.

(a) In accordance with the signature verification fee provisions in section 99.097(4), F.S., the petition sponsor must pay in advance the signature verification fee posted on the respective Supervisor of Elections website unless an affidavit of undue burden has been filed.

(b) The ~~the~~ Supervisor of Elections for the county in which the signee is a registered voter shall verify the signatures on each initiative petition form within ~~60~~ 30 days, except for a petition form submitted less than 60 days before February 1 of an even-numbered year, which must be verified within 30 days, after receipt of the form to ensure that ~~each person signing the petition form~~ petition signer:

1. Was, at the time of signing and verification of the petition, a registered voter in the state,

2. For petition forms signed prior to April 8, 2020, has ~~Except as provided in paragraph (4)(b), below, had~~ not signed the petition form more than two years prior to the date the Supervisor verified the petition. For petition forms signed on or after April 8, 2020, has not signed the petition form more than

~~two years prior to the next February 1 occurring in an even-numbered year, date the Supervisor verified the petition, and~~

3. Had not ever previously signed a petition form containing the identical initiative which had been verified as valid.

(b) The Supervisor shall not verify as valid a signature on an initiative petition form unless the petition is on the proper form prescribed by the Division of Elections as specified in Rule 1S-2.009, F.A.C. and all of the following information is contained on the petition form:

1. The voter's name,
2. The voter's address (including city and county),
3. The voter's date of birth or voter registration number,
4. The voter's original signature, and
5. The date the voter signed the petition, as recorded by the voter, and

6. For forms circulated by a paid petition circulator, a signed Petition Circulator's Affidavit as required by section 100.371(5), Florida Statutes. Additionally, the paid petition circulator must have been registered with the Division of Elections to collect petitions on the date of the voter's signature.

~~(4)(3)~~ Random Sampling Not Permitted. Supervisors of Elections may not use random sampling as a method for verifying signatures on constitutional amendment initiative petitions.

~~(5)(4)(a)~~ Recordation of Verification.

(a) After completing the signature verification process pursuant to subsection (3), the Supervisor of Elections shall report to the Division of Elections the following information:

1. The assigned serial number for the applicable initiative petition.
2. The date the signature was verified.
3. The number of valid verified signatures, by congressional district in the county.
4. The number of invalid signatures, and
5. For forms gathered by a paid petition circulator, the circulator's registration number.

(b) This information shall be submitted to the Division via data entry on the Supervisor of Elections application portal no later than 60 days after receipt of the petition by the Supervisor of Elections and payment of the fee for signature verification, except that for petition forms submitted less than 60 days before February 1 of an even-numbered year, the information must be submitted within 30 days after receipt and payment.

~~The appropriate supervisor of elections for each respective voter whose signature is verified as valid shall record the date the form was received, the date of the signature, the date the signature was verified, and the assigned serial number for the applicable initiative petition. Upon completion of the verifications as set forth in subsection (2), the Supervisors of Elections shall submit to the Division of Elections a certificate~~

~~indicating the total number of signatures verified as valid and the distribution by congressional district. In conjunction with each certificate submitted, each Supervisor shall submit a copy of one petition showing the text of the constitutional amendment to which the verified signatures relate. Certificates may be submitted by the Supervisor via facsimile in order to meet the filing deadline, followed by the original certificates sent by mail.~~

~~(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (2)(a)2., above, a signature on a petition by a registered voter who signed the petition on or before May 19, 2011, is valid for four years. The Supervisor of Elections shall separately certify to the Division of Elections any signatures on a petition that were signed on or before May 19, 2011 by clearly annotating that the certification represents signatures on or before May 19, 2011.~~

(6) Complaints. Any person claiming to have had his or her signature on an initiative petition form misrepresented, forged, or not delivered to a Supervisor of Elections shall use Form DS-DE 153 (eff. XX/XXXX), entitled "Form for Complaint Against Petition Circulator" to file the complaint with the Division.

(7)(5) Filing Deadline. In order for the initiative petition to be timely filed for appearance on the ballot for the next general election, the constitutionally requisite number of verified signatures must be verified and reported to the Division no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 1 of the year in which the general election is held.

(8) Within ten days of a petition sponsor being notified that an initiative has made ballot position, the committee shall notify the Division as to whether it intends for Supervisors of Elections to continue verifying signatures on initiative petition forms.

~~(6) Limitation on Use of Verified Signatures.~~ Verified signatures used successfully to place a proposed amendment by initiative on the ballot that subsequently fails to be approved by the electors at the general election shall not be used again in support of any future initiative petition. An identical initiative petition means an initiative petition that is circulated on an initiative petition form which contains the same serial number assigned to it pursuant to Rule 1S 2.009, F.A.C.

~~(9)(7)~~ Nothing in this rule prohibits a voter from signing a successive initiative petition form containing the text of a former petition if the successive petition form has a different serial number assigned to it pursuant to Rule 1S-2.009, F.A.C. Rulemaking Authority 20.10(3), 97.012(1), 100.371(6) FS. Law Implemented Art. XI, Fla. Const., 100.371 FS. History—New 1-6-80, Amended 12-20-83, Formerly 1C-7.091, 1C-7.0091, Amended 2-13-90, 3-5-96, 1-5-04, 3-16-06, 10-15-07, 10-13-08, 7-18-10, 9-7-11, _____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
 Maria Matthews, Director, Division of Elections
 NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE
 PROPOSED RULE: Laurel M. Lee, Secretary of State
 DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY
 HEAD: May 05, 2021
 DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT
 PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 4, 2021

Rulemaking Authority 550.0251(3), (11), 550.2415~~(7)~~, (12) FS. Law
 Implemented 550.0251, 550.2415 FS. History—New 10-20-96,
 Amended 6-6-00, 6-6-04, 4-12-06, 6-26-11, 8-1-19, _____.

In addition to the language updates above, the concentrations
 listed on the Division Laboratory Measurement Uncertainty
 Schedule have been updated. A copy of the updated draft is
 available by contacting: Bryan A. Barber, Division of Pari-
 Mutuel Wagering, bryan.barber@myfloridalicense.com, 2601
 Blair Stone Rd., Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850)717-1761.

Section III

Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Pari-Mutuel Wagering

RULE NO.: 61D-6.007 RULE TITLE:
 Permitted and Prohibited Substances for
 Racing Greyhounds
 NOTICE OF CHANGE

Notice is hereby given that the following changes have been
 made to the proposed rule in accordance with Section
 120.54(3)(d)1., F.S., published in Vol. 47, No. 60, March 29,
 2021, issue of the Florida Administrative Register.

61D-6.007 Testing Methodologies, Measurement
 Uncertainties, Screening Limits for Racing Horses

(1) No change.

(2) Measurement Uncertainties: The Division hereby
 incorporates by reference the Division Laboratory
 Measurement Uncertainty Schedule containing the established
 levels. An electronic copy can be located at
<https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXX>.

(a) All measurement uncertainties have been established at the maximum allowable concentration for those substances or applicable analytes contained within Rule 61D-6.008, F.A.C., that undergo quantitative analysis, unless otherwise specified. Rule 61D-6.008, F.A.C., Effective Date: 1-10-16, is incorporated herein by reference and can be located at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>.

(b) If a sample is diluted for testing, the measurement uncertainty is multiplied by the factor of dilution.

(c) Measurements of uncertainty are not established for the testing of specimens in which the identification of a substance or analyte at or above the lowest level of detection is sufficient to constitute a violation.

(3) No change.

Section IV Emergency Rules

NONE

Section V Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS
 South Florida Water Management District

RULE NO.: 40E-6.011 RULE TITLE:
 Policy and Purpose

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 4, 2021, the South
 Florida Water Management District (District), received a
 petition for waiver, which supersedes and replaces previous
 petitions received on December, 13, 2017 and May 17, 2018,
 from Jesus L. Reyes (Application No. 17-1102-1) for utilization
 of Works or Lands of the District known as the C-8 Extension
 Canal, Miami-Dade County for existing cross-fences, a
 proposed fence along the top of bank, 13 existing trees within
 40 feet of top of bank and an existing boat ramp converted into
 a below grade patio with stairs located at 7560 Loch Ness Drive,
 Miami Lakes, FL 33014. The applicant is also seeking
 authorization for an existing seawall. The petition seeks relief
 from subsections 40E-6.011(4) and (6), Fla. Admin. Code,
 which governs the placement of permanent and/or semi-
 permanent above-ground structures within 40 feet of the top of
 the canal bank within Works and Lands of the District.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained
 by contacting: Juli Russell at (561)682-6268 or e-mail at
 jurussel@sfwmd.gov. The District will accept comments
 concerning the petition for 14 days from the date of publication
 of this notice. To be considered, comments must be received by
 the end of business on the 14th day at the South Florida Water
 Management District, 3301 Gun Club Road, MSC 1410, West
 Palm Beach, FL 33406, Attention: Juli Russell, Office of
 Counsel.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61C-5.001 Safety Standards

The Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety hereby gives notice: On April 29, 2021, the Department received a request withdrawing the Petition for variance from Porto Vista at 507 N Tamiami Trl, Venice, FL, filed February 18, 2021, and advertised on February 23, 2021, in Vol. 47 No. 36 of the Florida Administrative Register. The Petitioner requested a variance from the requirements of ASME A17.1, 2013 edition, Sections 2.4.1.5 and 2.15.9.2, as adopted by Rule 61C-5.001, Florida Administrative Code that requires platform guards and bottom car clearances operations. The Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety is taking no further action on the petition (VW2021-018).

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013. ahr.elevators@myfloridalicense.com.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61C-5.001 Safety Standards

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 29, 2021, the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, received a petition for Porto Vista at 507 N Tamiami Trl, Venice, FL. Petitioner seeks an emergency variance of the requirements of ASME A17.1, 2016 edition, Sections 2.4.1.5 and 2.15.9.2, as adopted by Rule 61C-5.001, Florida Administrative Code that requires platform guards and bottom car clearances operations. Any interested person may file comments within 5 days of the publication of this notice with Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013 (VW2021-068).

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

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61C-5.001 Safety Standards

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 3, 2021, the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, received a petition for Citadel I Limited Partnership at 5850 T G Lee Blvd, Orlando, FL. Petitioner seeks a variance of the requirements of ASME A17.3, 1996 edition, Section 3.11.3, as adopted by Rule 61C-5.001, Florida Administrative Code that requires upgrading the elevators with firefighters' emergency operations which poses a significant economic/financial hardship. Any interested person may file comments within 14 days of the publication of this notice with Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013 (VW2021-069).

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

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61C-5.001 Safety Standards

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 3, 2021, the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, received a petition for Citadel II Limited Partnership at 5955 T G Lee Blvd, Orlando, FL. Petitioner seeks a variance of the requirements of ASME A17.3, 1996 edition, Section 3.11.3, as adopted by Rule 61C-5.001, Florida Administrative Code that requires upgrading the elevators with firefighters' emergency operations which poses a significant economic/financial hardship. Any interested person may file comments within 14 days of the publication of this notice with Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013 (VW2021-070).

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

Section VI Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

Division of Agricultural Environmental Services
The Agricultural Feed, Seed and Fertilizer Advisory Council announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, June 1, 2021, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

PLACE: Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone. <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/232841493>
You can also dial in using your phone. United States (Toll Free): 1(866)899-4679, Access Code: 232-841-493

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Council discusses and makes recommendations regarding actions to be taken with respect to the regulation and enforcement of agricultural feed, seed and fertilizer.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: The Bureau of Inspection or Incident Response at (850)617-7996. For more information, you may contact: Neil Richmond, Chief, Bureau of Inspection and Incident Response at (850)617-7996 or Neil.Richmond@fdacs.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
The TAMPA HILLSBOROUGH EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, May 20, 2021, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

PLACE: Online via Webinar: whitingstreetpde.com

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority (THEA) has scheduled a Public Information Meeting to provide an overview of the Whiting Street Project Development and Environment Study.

This study looks at potential solutions for the eastbound downtown Tampa exit ramps and the Jefferson Street entrance ramp of the Selmon Expressway, as well as neighboring surface streets in downtown Tampa. We're looking at potential improvements for safety, capacity, and community enhancements.

At the Alternatives Meeting, the study team will provide an overview of the study process and project schedule and explain the alternatives being considered. Additional information about the project can be found on whitingstreetpde.com.

The meeting will be held online via Webinar at: whitingstreetpde.com.

Written comments can be mailed to: Anna Quiñones, Project Manager, Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority, 1104 East Twiggs Street, Suite 300, Tampa, Florida 33602 or provided on the "Send us your comments" link on the webpage: whitingstreetpde.com.

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

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Anna Quiñones at anna.quinones@tampa-xway.com.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Anna Quiñones at anna.quinones@tampa-xway.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Anna Quiñones at anna.quinones@tampa-xway.com.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
The Florida Department of Transportation announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 2, 2021, 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

PLACE: Go To Webinar:
<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/760428153907899408>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Freight Advisory Committee advises Florida on freight issues, priorities, projects, and funding needs for freight improvement and elevates freight transportation as a critical component of the state's economic vitality and competitiveness. What to Expect from the Meeting: This meeting will allow us to elect new committee leadership, discuss the successful implementation of Dynamic Envelopes, and review the latest Strategic Highway Safety Plan and discuss best practices in addressing freight safety and security concerns across various offices and agencies.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Holly Cohen at Holly.Cohen@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: Holly Cohen at Holly.Cohen@dot.state.fl.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Holly Cohen at Holly.Cohen@dot.state.fl.us or visit FDOT.gov/FLFAC.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

The Volunteer Florida announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, May 25, 2021, 9:00 a.m. ET until all business is complete

PLACE: 1(888)585-9008, Code: 721648837#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A series of calls discussing general business. Calls will begin on the hour every hour from 9:00 a.m. ET – 4:00 p.m. ET, with a lunch break being taken at 12:00 Noon ET.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Aly Simons, aly@volunteerflorida.org, (850)414-7400.

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: Aly Simons, aly@volunteerflorida.org, (850)414-7400. 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: Aly Simons, aly@volunteerflorida.org, (850)414-7400.

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

South Florida Water Management District

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

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, May 13, 2021, 9:00 a.m., Governing Board Monthly Meeting

PLACE: This meeting will be conducted via Zoom, a media technology free for the public to use. https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_fio_URAZR46hS7I7HvQr0g

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District will discuss and consider District business, including regulatory and non-regulatory matters.

The public and stakeholders will have an opportunity to view and comment on the meeting by utilizing the following link: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_fio_URAZR46hS7I7HvQr0g

This link will go live at approximately 9:00 a.m. on May 13, 2021. This meeting will be conducted via media technology.

The Governing Board may take official action at the meeting on any item appearing on the agenda and on any item that is added to the agenda as a result of a change to the agenda

approved by the presiding officer of the meeting pursuant to Section 120.525, Florida Statutes.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: The agenda containing information on this meeting will be posted to the District’s website www.SFWMD.gov/meetings, seven days prior to the meeting. Or, you can email Rosie Byrd at rbyrd@sfwmd.gov.

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

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: Rosie Byrd at rbyrd@sfwmd.gov.

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

South Florida Water Management District

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

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, May 13, 2021, 9:00 a.m. or at the call of the Chairman thereafter South Florida Water Management District Leasing Corporation

PLACE: This meeting will be conducted via Zoom, a media technology free for the public to use. https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_fio_URAZR46hS7I7HvQr0g

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Annual Meeting of the South Florida Water Management District Leasing Corporation to discuss leasing corporation business. The public and stakeholders will have an opportunity to view and comment on the meeting by utilizing the following link:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_fio_URAZR46hS7I7HvQr0g

This link will go live at approximately 9:00 a.m. on May 13, 2021. This meeting will be conducted via media technology.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Rosie Byrd at rbyrd@sfwmd.gov, or at <https://www.sfwmd.gov/news-events/meetings>, seven days prior to the meeting.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the

agency at least seven days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Rosie Byrd, (561)682-6805. 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: Rosie Byrd at rbyrd@sfwmd.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: May 13, 2021, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. ET
 PLACE: Conference Call: 1(888)585-9008, Participant Passcode: 767-510-585 and Microsoft Teams, Teams link at <https://ombudsman.elderaffairs.org/quarterly-meeting-schedule/>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
 North Dade Council Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Fl. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.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 72 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Fl. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.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).

DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

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DATE AND TIME: May 19, 2021, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. ET
 PLACE: Conference Call: 1(888)585-9008, Participant Passcode: 767-510-585

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
 Pasco & N. Pinellas Council Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Fl. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.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 72 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Fl. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.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).

DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: May 13, 2021, 2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. ET
 PLACE: Conference Call: 1(888)585-9008, Participant Passcode: 767-510-585

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Mid & South Pinellas Council Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Fl. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.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 72 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Fl. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.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).

DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: May 18, 2021, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon ET
 PLACE: Villages Public Library at Pinellas Plaza, 7375 Powell Rd. Rm #102, Wildwood, FL 34785

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
 Withlacoochee Council Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Fl. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.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 72 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade

Way, Tallahassee, Fl. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.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).

DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: May 20, 2021, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 pm ET

PLACE: First Christian Church – 3411 NW 83 Street, Gainesville, FL 32606

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: North Central Council Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, FL. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.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 72 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Fl. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.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).

DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

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DATE AND TIME: May 25, 2021, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. ET

PLACE: Conference Call: 1(888)585-9008, Participant Passcode: 767-510-585

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Legislative Committee Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, FL. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.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 72 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Fl. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.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).

DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 2, 2021, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon ET

PLACE: Conference Call: 1(888)585-9008, Participant Passcode: 767-510-585

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: State Council Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, FL. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.org.

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DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: May 27, 2021, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. ET

PLACE: Conference Call: 1(888)585-9008, Participant Passcode: 767-510-585

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Advocacy Committee Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, FL. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltcopinformer@elderaffairs.org.

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Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: May 26, 2021, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon ET

PLACE: Conference Call: 1(888)585-9008, Participant Passcode: 767-510-585

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Recruitment, Retention, Recognition Committee Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, FL. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltpinformer@elderaffairs.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 72 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Dept. of Elder Affairs / LTCOP, 4040 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, FL. 32399, or call: (850)414-2323, or email: ltpinformer@elderaffairs.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).

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Division of Building Construction

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

DATE AND TIME: May 12, 2021, 1:00 p.m. ET

PLACE:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4419802962459478544>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Slavery Memorial Review Committee is meeting to provide feedback on artist design.

Slavery Memorial / Capitol Memorials / Real Estate Development and Management / Business Operations / Florida Department of Management Services - DMS (myflorida.com)

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: NA
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: Cheryl McCall, at cheryl.mccall@dms.fl.gov or (850)488-0080. 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: Cheryl McCall, at cheryl.mccall@dms.fl.gov or (850)488-0080.

THE VALERIN GROUP, INC.

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

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, May 13, 2021, 5:30 p.m.

PLACE: Virtually on GoTo Webinar; By phone at 1(866)901-6455 with passcode 500-276-793; In-Person at Kissimmee Civic Center Arena

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A public hearing will be held regarding project plans for two projects on U.S. 17-92 (S. Orange Blossom Trail/John Young Parkway) FPID nos: 418403-6 and 445210-1.

The purpose of the first project is to relieve congestion and improve operations at the intersection of U.S. 17-92 and Pleasant Hill Road. A new road will be constructed to connect the Fern Drive at Pleasant Hill Road intersection with the existing The Oaks Boulevard opening on U.S. 17-92. Other improvements include realigning The Oaks Boulevard to the west with a signalized connection to the new road and adding new traffic signals at Pleasant Hill Road and Fern Drive, as well as on U.S. 17-92 at the new road.

The second project will resurface U.S. 17-92 from east of Ham Road to south of Portage Street to extend the life of the existing roadway. The project will improve safety for pedestrians by constructing concrete islands to facilitate new pedestrian crosswalks, adding sidewalk, and reconstructing sidewalk curb ramps to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards. Bicycle through lanes will also be added next to some right turn lanes. Other improvements include drainage modifications, shoulder widening, and traffic signal upgrades. The public hearing is being held to present information and receive community feedback.

The Department is offering multiple ways for the community to participate in the hearing. All participants, regardless of platform they choose, will participate in the same live hearing. Virtual Option: Interested persons may join the Virtual Public Hearing (VPH) from a computer, tablet, or mobile device. A VPM is a free live presentation or webinar over the internet. For this option, advance registration is required by visiting the link below. Once registered, participants will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the hearing online. Please note, Internet Explorer cannot be used to register or attend this webinar. <https://fdot.cc/jyp-vph>

Phone Option (Listen Only): Participants may join the hearing in listen-only mode by dialing 1(866)901-6455 and entering the passcode 500-276-793 when prompted. Callers may submit comments directly to the project manager by using the contact information listed at the end of this notice.

In-Person Option: Participants may attend in person by going to Kissimmee Civic Center Arena, 201 E. Dakin Ave., Kissimmee, FL 34741. The Department requests advance registration for this option to ensure all attendees are accommodated safely and according to social distancing guidelines. To register for the in-person option, please contact the FDOT Project Manager Naziru Isaac by phone at (386)943-5547 by email at Naziru.Isaac@dot.state.fl.us, or U.S. mail at Florida Department of Transportation, 719 S. Woodland Boulevard, MS 552, DeLand, Florida 32720.

Attendees will be asked to follow all safety and sanitation guidelines as well as adhere to any local ordinances. Persons who are not feeling well should not attend the in-person hearing.

All hearing materials, including the presentation, will be available on the project websites at www.cflroads.com/project/418403-6 for the new road and www.cflroads.com/project/445210-1 for the repaving project prior to the hearing. Also, a recording of the hearing will be available on the website within a week following the hearing.

FDOT is sending notices to all property owners, business owners, interested persons and organizations to provide the opportunity to give comments to FDOT regarding U.S. 17-92 Improvement projects. The hearing gives everyone an opportunity to express their views about the proposed modifications. While comments about the project are accepted at any time, please send your comments by May 27 to be included in the records for this public hearing.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to FDOT compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting Jennifer Smith, FDOT District Five Title VI Coordinator, at Jennifer.Smith2@dot.state.fl.us.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: NA 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: Eric Trull at (407)569-8993 or eric@valeringroup.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: FDOT Project Manager Naziru Isaac by phone at (386)943-5547, by email at Naziru.Isaac@dot.state.fl.us.

AECOM

The Florida Department of Transportation, District One announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMED: Tuesday, May 18, 2021, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Wednesday, May 19, 2021, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Thursday, May 20, 2021, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Monday, May 24, 2021, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon; Monday, May 24, 2021, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.; Thursday, May 27, 2021, 10:00 p.m. – 12:00 Noon

PLACE: Virtual Meetings through GoToMeeting Platform

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Northbound Tamiami Trail (US 41) Vision Study from William Street to the Peace River Bridge, Financial Project Identification 441524-1-32-01:

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, in partnership with local governments, is conducting a study of the northbound, three-lane, one-way section of Tamiami Trail (US 41) from William Street to the Peace River Bridge in Downtown Punta Gorda, Charlotte County, FL. The purpose of the study is to enhance an existing resurfacing project by focusing on safety for all corridor users (motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists). The study will also promote the City of Punta Gorda's goals of walkability and strategic investment within Downtown.

The FDOT is holding a series of virtual stakeholder focus group meetings to solicit input from the public to help identify the top priorities for the corridor and potential safety improvements. The virtual stakeholder focus group meetings will take place through the online platform, GoToMeeting, during the weeks of May 17th and May 24th. Each meeting is by invitation only and includes key stakeholders/representatives of the community. Meetings will include a short presentation followed by an interactive discussion. Each meeting is expected to last no longer than two hours.

Other options available to all members of the public to provide feedback on the study include:

1) Completing an online questionnaire through the study website (<http://swflroads.com/us41/tamiami-trail-vision-study/>). NOTE: All completed questionnaires must be received by June 18, 2021 to become part of the official study record.

2) Submitting comments electronically through the study website (http://swflroads.com/us41/tamiami-trail-vision-study/email_updates.html).

3) Submitting written comments to: Northbound Tamiami Trail (US 41) Vision Study, Attention: Richard (OJ) Oujevolk, P.E., Florida Department of Transportation, 801 North Broadway Avenue, MS 1-29, Bartow, Florida 33830

Interested persons may additionally request a meeting by contacting FDOT District One Project Manager, Richard (OJ) Oujevolk, P.E., at 1(863)519-2293 or by email at Richard.Oujevolk@dot.state.fl.us.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. §327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT.

FDOT solicits public participation without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to FDOT compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting Cynthia Sykes, Title VI Coordinator, at 1(863)519-2287 or by email at Cynthia.Sykes@dot.state.fl.us.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: FDOT District One Project Manager, Richard (OJ) Oujevolk, P.E., at 1(863)519-2293 or by email at Richard.Oujevolk@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: Cynthia Sykes, FDOT District One Title VI Coordinator, at 1(863)519-2287 or by email at Cynthia.Sykes@dot.state.fl.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: FDOT District One Project Manager, Richard (OJ) Oujevolk, P.E., at 1(863)519-2293 or by email at Richard.Oujevolk@dot.state.fl.us.

Section VII

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

NONE

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:

J.D. and D.W., Petitioners, vs. DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, Respondent. CASE NO.: 21-1440RU

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

NONE

Section IX

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

NONE

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

NONE

**Section XI
Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing**

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Request for Applications for Available Funding

The Florida Department of Education, Division of Career and Adult Education, announces the availability of federal funds through a competitive grants process under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2014, Title II - Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA). Follow the guidelines on each individual Request for Proposal, as due dates may vary. Through the competitive grants process, eligible applicants are assured direct & equitable access to apply for funds. For application instruction, forms & funding opportunities conference information, please refer to www.fldoe.org/WIOAGrants or direct questions to mallory.martinez@fldoe.org.

**Section XII
Miscellaneous**

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Index of Administrative Rules Filed with the Secretary of State Pursuant to subparagraph 120.55(1)(b)6. – 7., F.S., the below list of rules were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State between 3:00 p.m., Thursday, April 29, 2021 and 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 5, 2021.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
11B-14.002	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11B-18.005	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11B-20.001	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11B-20.0014	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11B-21.005	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11B-27.002	4/30/2021	5/20/2021

11B-27.00212	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11B-27.0022	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11B-27.003	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11B-27.005	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11B-35.001	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11B-35.002	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11B-35.0024	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11B-35.006	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11C-7.006	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11C-7.007	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11C-7.009	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11C-7.010	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11C-7.012	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11D-11.001	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
11D-11.002	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
33-401.401	5/3/2021	5/23/2021
33-602.203	4/29/2021	5/19/2021
65C-28.004	4/30/2021	5/20/2021
65C-28.021	5/4/2021	5/24/2021
69O-196.001	5/4/2021	5/24/2021
69O-196.005	5/4/2021	5/24/2021
69O-196.007	5/4/2021	5/24/2021
69O-196.009	5/4/2021	5/24/2021
69O-196.015	5/4/2021	5/24/2021
69O-196.020	5/4/2021	5/24/2021
69O-196.021	5/4/2021	5/24/2021
69O-196.023	5/4/2021	5/24/2021
69O-196.025	5/4/2021	5/24/2021
69O-196.035	5/4/2021	5/24/2021
64B19-17.002	5/5/2021	5/25/2021

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

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
60FF1-5.009	7/21/2016	**/**/****
60P-1.003	11/5/2019	**/**/****
60P-2.002	11/5/2019	**/**/****
60P-2.003	11/5/2019	**/**/****
64B8-10.003	12/9/2015	**/**/****

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
NOTICE OF INTENT**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

62-520.500 Water Quality Criteria Exemptions for Installations Discharging Into Class G-I or G-II Ground Water
The Department of Environmental Protection gives notice of its intent to grant a ground-water quality exemption pursuant to the provisions of Rule 62-520.500, F.A.C., to the Duke Energy of Florida, Inc., Anclote Power Plant (Petitioner) located at 1729 Baillies Bluff Road, Holiday, Florida, 34691, Pasco County, Florida. The file has been assigned OGC Case No. 20-1650. The exemption is for the permitted discharge of treated industrial wastewater to Class G-II ground water. The ground water quality criteria exemption will be incorporated into the renewal of industrial wastewater Permit FLA016778 and is granted for the duration of said permit. The exemption will establish an alternative compliance level for sodium of 4,000 mg/L for compliance wells MWC-8 and MWC-9 due to already existing high saline groundwater. The ground-water quality exemption is being granted because the Petitioner has demonstrated compliance with the requirements of paragraphs 62-520.500(1)(a)-(f), F.A.C. The Department's file on this matter can be obtained by contacting James Cichon at 850-245-8633 or james.cichon@floridadep.gov.

This action is final and effective on the date filed with the Clerk of the Department unless a petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., before the deadline for filing a petition. On the filing of a timely and sufficient petition, this action will not be final and effective until further order of the Department.

Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the hearing process may result in a modification of the agency action or even denial of the application.

A person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. Pursuant to Rule 28-106.201, F.A.C., a petition for an administrative hearing must contain the following information:

- (a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known;
- (b) The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner; the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests are or will be affected by the agency determination;
- (c) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the agency decision;
- (d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate;
- (e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts that the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action;
- (f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes that the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action, including an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes; and
- (g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action that the petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action.

The petition must be filed (received by the Clerk) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 or via electronically at Agency_Clerk@dep.state.fl.us. Also, a copy of the petition shall be mailed to the applicant at the address indicated above at the time of filing.

Petitions for an administrative hearing must be filed within 21 days of publication of the notice or within 21 days of receipt of the written notice, whichever occurs first.

Under subsection 62-110.106(4), F.A.C., a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may also request an extension of time to file a petition for an administrative hearing. The Department may, for good cause shown, grant the request for an extension of time. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, before the applicable deadline for filing a petition for an administrative hearing. A timely request for extension of time shall toll the running of the time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon.

Mediation is not available in this proceeding.

Once this decision becomes final, any party to this action has the right to seek judicial review pursuant to Section 120.68, F.S., by filing a Notice of Appeal pursuant to Rules 9.110 and 9.190, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure, with the Clerk of the Department in the Office of General Counsel, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, M.S. 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000; and by filing a copy of the Notice of Appeal

accompanied by the applicable filing fees with the appropriate District Court of Appeal. The Notice of Appeal must be filed within 30 days from the date this action is filed with the Clerk of the Department.

Section XIII

Index to Rules Filed During Preceding Week

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