#### Section I

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

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

#### **Division of Elections**

RULE TITLE: RULE NO .: **Voting System Equipment Regulations** 1S-5.001

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect of the proposed rule is update the current rule that establishes minimum standards for hardware and software for electronic and electromechanical voting systems pursuant to Section 101.015(2), Florida Statutes.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Florida Voting Systems Standards.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 101.015 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 101.015 FS.

A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE TIME, DATE AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

TIME AND DATE: 1:00 p.m., January 17, 2003

PLACE: Orange County Supervisor of Elections Office, 119 West Kaley Street, Orlando, Florida 32806

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Paul Craft, Division of Elections, 107 West Gaines Street, 32399-0250. Room 231. Tallahassee. Florida pcraft@mail.dos.state.fl.us, (850)245-6220

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodations to participate in this meeting should contact Paul Craft, (850)245-6220, at least three days in advance of the meeting.

#### DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

RULE TITLE: **RULE NO.:** 

Standard and Basic Benefit Plans 4-154.525

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To implement the standard and basic benefit plans to be used in the small group market as provided by s. 627.6699(12), F.S.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Standard and basic benefit plans to be used in the small group market.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 624.308(1), 627.6699(16) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 624.307(1), 627.6699(12) FS.

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

TIME AND DATE: 9:30 a.m., January 7, 2003

PLACE: Room 142, Larson Building, 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this program, please advise the Department at least 5 calendar days before the program by contacting the person listed below.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Frank Dino, Bureau of Life and Health Forms and Rates, Division of Insurer Services, Department of Insurance, 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0328, (850)413-5014

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE WORKSHOP.

#### DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

#### Division of State Fire Marshal

RULE CHAPTER TITLE: RULE CHAPTER NO.:

Rules of the Bureau of Fire and

Arson Investigations 4A-61 RULE TITLE: RULE NO.: Initial Investigation of Fires 4A-61.001

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of these rules is to clarify the roles of the Division of State Fire Marshal and the local fire officials or local law enforcement officers on conditions that necessitate the engagement and assistance of the State Fire Marshal resources upon the occurrence of a fire or explosion.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Initial investigations of fires which may be the result of carelessness or design and in which property damage, including personal injury, has occurred.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 633.01, 633.808 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 633.01, 633.03, 633.808 FS.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE TIMES, DATES AND PLACES SHOWN BELOW (IF NOT REQUESTED, THIS HEARING WILL NOT BE HELD):

TIME AND DATE: 10:00 a.m., January 9, 2003

PLACE: Florida State Fire College, 11655 N. W. Gainesville Road, Ocala, Florida

TIME AND DATE: 9:00 a.m., January 10, 2003

PLACE: Room 116, Larson Building, 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this workshop should contact Jenny Cooley, (850)413-3173, no later than 48 hours prior to the workshop.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Eric Miller, Chief, Bureau of Fire and Arson Investigations, 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0340, (850)413-3173, Fax (850)487-0151

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

#### 4A-61.001 Initial Investigation of Fires.

#### (1)(a) PURPOSE.

The purpose of this rule is to assist local fire officials and law enforcement officers in determining the established responsibilities with respect to the initial or preliminary assessment of fire scenes, and the determination of whether probable cause exists to refer such scenes to the Division of State Fire Marshal for an investigation pursuant to Section 633.03, Florida Statutes. Experience shows that the most effective deterrent to arson lies in the effective investigation of suspicious and incendiary fires. This requires a commitment of fire officials, law enforcement, and the Division of State Fire Marshal to direct investigative resources to those fires that are of a suspicious nature, or are believed to be incendiary, to more effectively prosecute offenders that commit the crime of arson. This rule imposes no additional or new obligations on local fire officials or law enforcement, but serves solely to clarify the conditions that necessitate the engagement and assistance of State Fire Marshal resources upon the occurrence of a fire or explosion.

#### (b) SCOPE.

Pursuant to Section 633.03, Florida Statutes, the State Fire Marshal is required to investigate any fire in which property has been damaged or destroyed and where there is probable cause to believe that the fire was the result of carelessness or design. The Bureau of Fire and Arson Investigations of the Division of State Fire Marshal is a law enforcement agency whose personnel are sworn law enforcement officers pursuant to Chapter 943, Florida Statutes. The State Fire Marshal is charged with enforcing all laws and rules adopted pursuant thereto for purposes of the prevention of fire and explosion through the regulation of conditions which could cause fire or explosion, pursuant to Section 633.01(2)(a), Florida Statutes. The purpose of the Bureau of Fire and Arson Investigations is to investigate crimes or criminal activity related to fires. This section sets forth the requirements and procedures for such investigations.

#### (2) DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this section, the following words or terms have the following definitions.

(a) "The bureau" means the Bureau of Fire and Arson Investigations.

- (b) "Carelessness" means gross negligence, or a reckless disregard for property or life, so extreme that it is punishable as a crime. "Carelessness" does not mean or include ordinary carelessness, ordinary negligence, simple negligence, or any similar concept.
- (c) "Design" means the specific intent to commit a crime or the general intent to commit any act that constitutes, or may result in, the commission of a crime.
- (d) "Initial investigation" means a preliminary investigation of the cause and origin of a fire for the purpose of determining whether there is probable cause to believe that the fire was the result of carelessness or design.
- (e) "Local fire official" means the chief of the local fire department or his or her designee.
- (f) "Local law enforcement officer" means any law enforcement officer employed by a county, municipality, or other unit of local government.
- (g) "Organized fire department" means any entity which employs or uses firefighters whose primary duty is the prevention and extinguishing of fires, the protection of life and property therefrom, the enforcement of municipal, county, and state fire prevention codes, as well as the enforcement of any law pertaining to the prevention and control of fires, who is certified pursuant to Section 633.35, Florida Statutes, or who is a volunteer firefighter.
- (h) "Probable cause" means reasonable cause or reasonable grounds to believe that an act has been committed or that an event has occurred.
- (i) "Property damage" means that any property, real, personal, or mixed, tangible or intangible, having some value to any person has been damaged to such extent that its value has been diminished, or has been destroyed, and includes injury or death to any person.

#### (3) CONDUCT OF INITIAL INVESTIGATION.

- (a) Any time a fire or explosion has occurred which results in property damage in any municipality, county, or special district having an organized fire department, the local fire official shall make or shall cause to be made an initial investigation of the circumstances surrounding the cause and origin of such fire. Local law enforcement officers may, if any chooses, conduct such initial investigations.
- (b) If the fire occurs in a municipality, county, or special district which has no organized fire department or designated arson investigations unit within its law enforcement providers, the municipality, county, or special district may request the bureau to conduct such initial investigation.

#### (4) FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE.

(a) If the local fire official or local law enforcement officer determines that there is probable cause to believe that the fire was the result of carelessness or design as provided for in Section 633.03, Florida Statutes, and as defined herein, the local fire official or local law enforcement officer seeking Bureau of Fire and Arson Investigations investigative

resources should report to the bureau the facts and circumstances constituting such probable cause, for the bureau to determine whether an investigation under Section 633.03, Florida Statutes, will be made and resources committed.

- (b) Such report need not be in any particular form, but shall contain at a minimum the following information:
  - 1. The date of the fire;
  - 2. The address of the property damaged;
- 3. A description of property damaged (i.e., single family home, restaurant, etc.);
- 4. The name or names of the owner or owners of property damaged, if known.
- 5. The name or names of persons injured or killed, if known; and
- 6. The facts and circumstances considered by the local fire official or local law enforcement officer to constitute probable cause to believe that the fire was the result of carelessness or design.
- (c) The report must be given verbally and may be followed up in writing. When given verbally, the report shall be given to the bureau at 800-NET FIRE (800)638-3473 to initiate the dispatch, notification, and tracking process. If followed up in writing, the written report shall be delivered to the Department of Insurance, Division of State Fire Marshal, Bureau of Fire and Arson Investigations, 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32340, or it may be faxed to the bureau at fax number (850)487-0151.

#### (5) FINDING OF NO PROBABLE CAUSE.

If the local fire official or local law enforcement officer determines that there is no probable cause to believe that the fire was the result of carelessness or design, the local fire official or local law enforcement officer shall have no obligation to refer the matter to the bureau.

#### (6) CONSULTATIONS WITH THE BUREAU.

The local fire official or local law enforcement officer may at any time confer or consult with a law enforcement investigator or other law enforcement officer employed by the bureau to assist in a determination of whether probable cause exists to believe that the fire was the result of carelessness or design; however, such conference or consultation shall not relieve the local fire official or local law enforcement officer of his or her responsibility to conduct the initial investigation required by subsection (3), or to make the determinations referred to in subsections (4) or (5).

#### (7) RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BUREAU.

(a) If after the immediate review of the report the bureau determines that there is probable cause to believe that such fire was the result of carelessness or design, the bureau shall immediately initiate a complete investigation of the subject fire, pursuant to the requirements of Section 633.03, Florida Statutes, or, in the event that an immediate response is not necessary based on the facts and circumstances, the bureau shall take all appropriate action to insure that the integrity of the evidence or the potential evidence is preserved until an investigation can be made.

(b) If the bureau determines that there is no probable cause to believe that such fire was the result of carelessness or design, the bureau shall provide notice to the requesting local fire official or local law enforcement officer of such determination containing an explanation of the reason or reasons the bureau does not find probable cause, in writing, and shall forthwith close the case with no further investigation.

#### (8) STANDARD PROCEDURES FOR INITIAL INVESTIGATIONS.

- (a) The bureau will not normally perform the initial investigation to determine whether probable cause exists to believe that the fire was the result of carelessness or design in any municipality, county, or special district having an organized fire department, or in any jurisdiction in which any local law enforcement officer assumes the responsibility for such investigations.
- (b) The bureau will normally perform the initial investigation to determine whether probable cause exists to believe that the fire was the result of carelessness or design in a municipality, county, or special district which has no organized fire department, but only after a request has been made verbally or in writing by the municipality, county, or special district having no organized fire department requesting such initial investigation.

#### (9) DEATH OF A FIREFIGHTER.

Notwithstanding anything else contained in this section, any time a firefighter is injured or killed as the result of, during, while combating, or otherwise engaged in any act or action related to, a fire, the local fire official or local law enforcement officer shall notify the Division of State Fire Marshal by the most expeditious means possible.

Specific Authority 633.01, 633.808 FS. Law Implemented 633.01, 633.03, 633.808 FS. History–New \_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

#### Division of State Fire Marshal

RULE CHAPTER TITLE: RULE CHAPTER NO.:

Uniform Minimum Firefighter **Employment Standards** 

4A-62

RULE NOS.:

RULE TITLES: PART I: ADOPTION OF UNIFORM FIREFIGHTER EMPLOYMENT

STANDARDS

Firefighter Employment Standards;

Adoption of OSHA Standards 4A-62.001

Uniform Minimum Firefighter Employment

Standards; Adoption of National Fire

Protection Association Standards 4A-62.002

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PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of these rules is update existing rules based on statutory revisions and to implement Sections 633.801-633.821, Florida Statutes, as mandated by the Legislature in those sections. The effect of these rules is to provide for firefighter workplace safety and health programs and requirements for safety and health compliance by firefighter employers and firefighter employees. SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The subject areas to be addressed are firefighter occupational safety and health standards, toxic substances in workplaces where firefighters respond to emergencies, firefighter employer comprehensive safety and health programs, identification of firefighter employers with high frequency of severity of injuries and programs to assist them, workers compensation insurance providers safety and health programs as they relate to firefighters and firefighter employers, inspections and investigations of firefighter employers places of operation, notices of violations, procedures relating to statutorily established penalties, complaint investigations, recordkeeping responsibilities, safety training, safety committees, and firefighter employer evaluations.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 633.45(1)(a), 633.804, 633.805, 633.806, 633.808, 633.809, 633.810, 633.811, 633.816, 633.821 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 633.802, 633.803, 633.804, 633.805, 633.806, 633.807, 633.808, 633.809, 633.810, 633.811, 633.812, 633.813, 633.814, 633.815, 633.816, 633.817, 633.818, 633.819, 633.820, 633.821 FS.

A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE TIME, DATE AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW.

TIME AND DATE: 6:00 p.m., Central Standard Time, January 13, 2003

PLACE: DeFuniak Springs Fire Department, 58 W. Burdick Ave., DeFuniak Springs, Florida 32433

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this workshop should contact Angie Cain, Florida State Fire College no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting or workshop by calling (352)369-2800.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Dave Casey, Chief, Bureau of Fire Standards and Training, 11655 N. W. Gainesville Road, Ocala, Florida, (352)369-2800 THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS AVAILABLE IN VOL. 28, NO. 48, NOVEMBER 27, 2002, F.A.W. OR MAY BE OBTAINED BY CONTACTING GABRIEL MAZZEO, ATTORNEY, DIVISION OF STATE FIRE MARSHAL, 200 EAST GAINES STREET, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32399-0340, PHONE (850)413-3604 OR DAVE CASEY, CHIEF, BUREAU OF FIRE STANDARDS AND TRAINING, 11655 N. W. GAINESVILLE ROAD, OCALA, FLORIDA, (352)369-2800 OR MAY BE OBTAINED AT THE DIVISION OF STATE FIRE MARSHAL WEBSITE AT http://www.doi.state.fl.us/

SFM/pdf/4A-62\_Proposed\_112002.pdf.

#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

#### **State Board of Education**

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.:

Alternative Standardized

Reading Assessment 6A-1.094221

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this rule development is to review alternative assessments for good cause exemptions for student promotion in lieu of passing the grade three reading Florida Comprehensive Achievement Test. The effect is to provide an alternative assessment for students in grade three.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Alternative assessments in reading for students in grade three.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 1008.25(8)(b) FS. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1008.25(6)(b)3. FS.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT A TIME, DATE AND PLACE TO BE ADVERTISED IN A FUTURE EDITION OF THE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLY.

Requests for the rule development workshop should be addressed to Wayne V. Pierson, Agency Clerk, Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Room 1214, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Mary Laura Openshaw, Just Read, Florida!, Florida Board of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1402, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, (850)921-9969

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

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

RULE CHAPTER TITLE: RULE CHAPTER NO.: Classification of Roads 14-12 **RULE TITLE:** RULE NO.:

Scenic Highways 14-12.021

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: This rule amendment is to incorporate by reference an October 25, 2002, edition of Appendix F to the Scenic Highways Program Manual. The amendment replaces the previously incorporated July 1, 1999, edition.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Appendix F to the Scenic Highways Program Manual is amended. The October 25, 2002, edition is being incorporated by reference.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 334.044(2), 335.093(2) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 335.093(1) 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 WEEKLY.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: James C. Myers, Management Analyst 4, Florida Department of Transportation, Office of the General Counsel, 605 Suwannee Street, Mail Station 58, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0458

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE **DEVELOPMENT IS:** 

14-12.021 Scenic Highways.

The Department will designate scenic highways under Section 335.093, Florida Statutes, in accordance with Appendix F of the Florida Scenic Highways Manual (Rev. 10/25/2002 07/01/99), which is incorporated by reference herein. Copies of this document may be obtained from the Department's Environmental Management Office, 605 Suwannee Street, M.S. 37, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0450.

Specific Authority 334.044(2), 335.093(2) FS. Law Implemented 335.093(1) FS. History–New 2-24-98, Amended 8-24-99.

#### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DOCKET NO.: Undocketed

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.:

Customer Billing for Local Exchange

Telecommunications Companies 25-4.110

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To amend the rule to remove references to obsolete taxation methods that resulted from the implementation of Chapter 202, F.S., and to remove implementation deadlines that are no longer relevant.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Taxation requirements on customer bills resulting from the implementation of Chapter 202, F.S.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 350.127, 364.604(5) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 364.17, 350.113, 364.03, 364.04, 364.05, 364.52, 364.19, 364.602, 364.604 FS.

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

THE WORKSHOP REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO SAMANTHA CIBULA, OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL, 2540 GENERAL SHUMARD OAK BOULEVARD, TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399-0850.

Any person requiring some accommodation at this workshop because of a physical impairment should call the Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, (850)413-6770, at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1(800)955-8771 (TDD).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Dale Buys, Division of Competitive Markets and Enforcement, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0862, (850)413-6536

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

25-4.110 Customer Billing for Local Exchange Telecommunications Companies.

- (1) No change.
- (2) Each Six months after the effective date of this rule. each billing party shall set forth on the bill all charges, fees, and taxes which are due and payable.

- (a) through (c) No change.
- (d)1. Taxes, fees, and surcharges related to an originating party heading shall be shown immediately below the charges described under that heading. The terminology for Federal Regulated Service Taxes, Fees, and Surcharges must be consistent with all FCC required terminology.
  - 2. The billing party shall either:
- a. <u>Describe each Identify</u> Florida taxes and fee's applicable to charges on the customer's bill as (including but not limited to) "Florida gross receipts tax," "Franchise fees," "Municipal utility tax," and "Sales tax," and identify the assessment base and rate for each percentage based tax, fee, and surcharge, or (d)2.b.(i) through (3)(b) No change.
- (4) The annual itemized bill shall be accompanied by a bill stuffer which explains the itemization and advises the customer to verify the items and charges on the itemized bill. This bill stuffer shall be submitted to the Commission's Division of Competitive Markets and Enforcement Telecommunications for prior approval. The itemized bill provided to residential customers and to business customers with less than ten access lines per service location shall be in easily understood language. The itemized bill provided to business customers with ten or more access lines per service location may be stated in service order code, provided that it contains a statement that, upon request, an easily understood translation is available in written form without charge. An itemized bill shall include, but not be limited to the following information, separately stated:
  - (a) through (10) No change.
- (11) <u>Local Communications Services Tax</u> Franchise fees and municipal telecommunications taxes.
- (a) The Local Communications Services Tax includes, but is not limited to, the discretionary communications services tax levied by the governing authority of each municipality and county authorized by Chapter 202, Florida Statutes.
- (b)(a) When a municipality or county levies charges a company any franchise fee, or municipal telecommunications a local communications services tax authorized by Chapter 202 Section 166.231, Florida Statutes, the local exchange company may collect that tax fee only from its subscribers receiving service within that municipality or county. When a county charges a company any franchise fee, the company may collect that fee only from its subscribers receiving service within that county.
- (c)(b) A <u>local exchange</u> company may not incorporate any portion of the <u>local communications</u> services franchise fee or municipal telecommunications tax into its other rates for service.
- (c) This subsection shall not be construed as granting a municipality or county the authority to charge a franchise fee or municipal telecommunications tax. This subsection only

- specifies the method of collection of a franchise fee, if a municipality or county, having authority to do so, charges a franchise fee or municipal telecommunications tax.
  - (12) State Communications Services Tax.
- (a) The State Communications Services Tax includes, but is not limited to. When a company elects to add the Gross Receipts Tax imposed by Chapter 203, Florida Statutes, the communications services sales tax imposed by Chapter 202, Florida Statutes, and any local option sales tax. onto the customer's bill as a separately stated component of that bill, the company must first remove from the tariffed rates any embedded provisions for the Gross Receipts Tax.
- (b) A local exchange company may not incorporate any portion of the state communications services tax into its other rates for service. If the tariffed rates in effect have a provision for gross receipts tax, the rates must be reduced by an amount equal to the gross receipts tax liability imposed by Chapter 203, Florida Statutes, thereby rendering the customer's bill unaffected by the election to add the Gross Receipts Tax as a separately stated tax.
- (c) This subsection shall not be construed as a mandate to elect to separately state the Gross Receipts Tax. This subsection only specifies the method of applying such an election.
- (d) All services sold to another telecommunications vendor, provided that the applicable rules of the Department of Revenue are satisfied, must be reduced by an amount equal to the gross receipts tax liability imposed by Chapter 203, Florida Statutes, unless those services have been adjusted by some other Commission action.
- (e) When a nonrate base regulated telecommunications company exercises the option of adding the gross receipts tax as a separately stated component on the customer's bill then that company must file a tariff indicating such.
  - (13) through (15)(g) No change.
- (16) Companies that bill for local service must provide notification with the customer's first bill or via letter, and annually thereafter that a PC Freeze is available. Existing "subscribers" or "end users" customers must be notified annually that a PC Freeze is available.
  - (17) through (18)(b) No change.
- (19)(a) <u>Upon</u> Within one year of the effective date of this rule and upon request from any customer, a billing party must restrict charges in its bills to only:
  - 1. through (20) No change.

Specific Authority 350.127, 364.604(5) FS. Law Implemented 364.17, 350.113, 364.03, 364.04, 364.05, 364.052, 364.19, 364.602, 364.604 FS. History-New 12-1-68, Amended 3-31-76, 12-31-78, 1-17-79, 7-28-81, 9-8-81, 5-3-82, 11-21-82, 4-13-86, 10-30-86, 11-28-89, 3-31-91, 11-11-91, 3-10-96, 7-20-97, 12-28-98, 7-5-00, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

UNDOCKETED

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.: 25-7.072

Code of Conduct

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To ensure that no natural gas utilty or marketing affiliate gain an unfair competitive advantage over un-affiliated competitors.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Conduct between a regulated gas utility and its unregulated marketing affiliate.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 350.127(2), 366.05(1) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 366.05(1) 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 WEEKLY.

THE WORKSHOP REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO: MARLENE STERN, OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL, 2540 SHUMARD OAK BOULEVARD, TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399-0850.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Wayne Makin, Division of Competitive Markets and Enforcement, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0862, (850)413-6644

#### THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE **DEVELOPMENT IS:**

#### 25-7.072 Code of Conduct.

- (1) Definition. Marketing Affiliate means an business entity, unregulated by the Commission, business entity that is a subsidiary of a gas utility or is owned by or subject to control by the gas utility's parent company, and sells gas at the retail level to a transportation customer on the gas utility's system.
- (2) Application of Tariff Provisions. A gas utility will apply tariff provisions relating to gas transportation service in the same manner to similarly situated marketers, brokers, or agents, whether or not they are affiliated with the gas utility. In addition, each a gas utility:
- (a) Will not, through a tariff provision or otherwise, give its Marketing Affiliate or its Marketing Affiliate's customers, preference over non-affiliated marketers or their customers in matters relating to: gas transportation or curtailment priority, specifically including the manner and timing of the processing of requests for transportation service;

- 1. Receiving and processing transportation service requests or tariff sales requests from customers (customer service inquiry employees);
  - 2. Scheduling gas deliveries on the gas utility's system;
  - 3. Making gas scheduling or allocation decisions;
  - 4. Purchasing gas or capacity; or
  - 5. Selling gas to end users behind the city gate.
  - (b) through 2. No change.
- (c) Will not share with its Marketing Affiliate any of its employees having direct responsibility for the day-to-day operations of a gas utility's transportation operations, including employees involved in:
- 1. Receiving transportation service requests or tariff sales requests from customers (customer service inquiry employees);
  - 2. Scheduling gas deliveries on the gas utility's system;
  - 3. Making gas scheduling or allocation decisions;
  - 4. Purchasing gas or capacity; or
- 5. Selling gas to end users behind the city gate, and such employees will be physically separated from the gas utility's Marketing Affiliate.
- (c)(d) Will charge the Marketing Affiliate the fully allocated costs for any general and administrative and support services provided to Marketing Affiliate.
- (d) Will prevent the flow of any type of subsidy or value from the utility to the Marketing Affiliate, for which the Marketing Affiliate does not compensate the utility;
  - (e) through (h) No change.

Specific Authority 350.127(2), 366.05(1) FS. Law Implemented 366.05(1) FS. History-New 7-23-02, Amended

#### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DOCKET NO: Undocketed

RULE TITLES: RULE NOS.: Customer Relations; Rules Incorporated 25-24.490 Rules Incorporated 25-24.585 Customer Relations; Rules Incorporated 25-24.845 PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To add subsections (11) and (12) of Rule 25-4.110 to Rules 25-24.490, 25-24.585, and 25-24.845, so that these rules apply to interexchange, shared tenant service, and alternative local exchange companies. These amendments will apply the requirements implemented by Chapter 202, F.S., to these companies.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Taxation requirements on customer bills resulting from the implementation of Chapter 202, F.S.

**AUTHORITY:** SPECIFIC 350.127(2), 364.604(5), 427.704(8), 364.337(2) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 350.113, 364.03, 364.14, 364.15, 364.016, 364.17, 364.18, 364.183, 364.185, 364.339, 364.603, 364.19, 364.337, 364.602, 364.604 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

THE WORKSHOP REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO: SAMANTHA CIBULA, OFFICE OF THE **GENERAL** COUNSEL, 2540 SHUMARD BOULEVARD, TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399-0850.

Any person requiring some accommodation at this workshop because of a physical impairment should call the Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, (850)413-6770, at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1(800)955-8771 (TDD).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Dale Buys. Division of Competitive Markets and Enforcement, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0862, (850)413-6536

#### THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE **DEVELOPMENT IS:**

#### 25-24.490 Customer Relations; Rules Incorporated.

(1) The following rules are incorporated herein by reference and apply to IXCs.

SECTION	TITLE	PORTIONS APPLICABLE
25-4.110	Customer Billing	Subsections, <u>(11)</u> ,
		(12), (14), (15),
		(17), (18), and (20)
25-4.111	Customer Complaint and	All except
	Service Requests	Subsection (2)
25-4.112	Termination of Service by	All
	Customer	
25-4.113	Refusal or Discontinuance of	All
	Service by Company	
25-4.114	Refunds	All
25-4.117	800 Service	All
25-4.118	Local, Local Toll, or Toll	All
	Provider Selection	

#### (2) through (3)(f) No change.

Specific Authority 350.127(2), 364.604(5) FS. Law Implemented 364.03, 364.14, 364.15, 364.603, 364.19, 364.337 364.602, 364.604 FS. History-New 2-23-87, Amended 10-31-89, 3-5-90, 3-4-92, 3-13-96, 7-20-98, 12-28-98, 7-5-00,

#### 25-24.585 Rules Incorporated.

(1) The following rules are incorporated herein by reference and apply to shared tenant service companies:

SECTION	TITLE	PORTIONS
		APPLICABLE
25-4.019	Records and Reports in General	All
25-4.020	Location and Preservation of	All except
	Records	(1)and (3)
25-4.043	Response to Commission Staff	All
	Inquiries	
25-4.0161	Regulatory Assessment Fees;	All
	<b>Telecommunication Companies</b>	
<u>25-4.110</u>	Customer Billing	(11) and (12)
25-4.160	Operation of	All
	Telecommunications Relay	
	Service	
(2) No	change.	

(2) No change.

Specific Authority 350.127(2), 427.704(8) FS. Law Implemented 350.113, 364.016, 364.17, 364.18, 364.183, 364.185, 364.339 FS. History-New 1-28-91, Amended 12-29-91, 11-13-95, 7-29-97, 4-8-98.

#### 25-24.845 Customer Relations; Rules Incorporated.

The following rules are incorporated herein by reference and apply to ALECs. In the following rules, the acronym 'LEC' should be omitted or interpreted as 'ALEC'.

SECTION	TITLE	PORTIONS
		APPLICABLE
25-4.110	Customer Billing	Subsections (11), (12),
		(14), (15), (16), (17),
		(18), and (20)
24-4.118	Local, Local Toll, or Toll	l All

**Provider Selection** 

Home Services

Specific Authority 350.127(2), 364.337(2), 364.604(5) FS. Law Implemented 364.337(2), 364.602, 364.604 FS. History-New 7-20-98, Amended 12-28-98,

#### AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION Medicaid

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.: Payment Methodology for Nursing 59G-6.010

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed amendment is to incorporate changes to the Florida Title XIX Long-Term Care Reimbursement Plan payment methodology, effective January 1, 2003, to provide the following changes based on Senate Bill 1202, 2001-2002 Florida Legislature and

House Bill 27E, General Appropriations Act, 2002-2003 Florida Legislature.

The Agency is amending the Long-Term Care Reimbursement Plan to provide for an increase in the minimum staffing requirements for nursing homes. These requirements shall include, for each nursing home facility, a minimum certified nursing assistant staffing increase to 2.6 hours of direct care per resident per day beginning January 1, 2003.

- 2. The nursing home upper payment limit (UPL) calculation methodology will be revised from the current formula based 100% on bed allocations to a formula based 50% on bed allocations and 50% on cost allocations.
- 3. Update to AHCA Document Number 5300-0001 which incorporates a revised chart of accounts approved by the Auditor General August 23, 2002.

The effect of the proposed amendment will be:

- 1. An increase from the 2.3 minimum staffing ratio for Florida Medicaid nursing facilities to 2.6 hours of direct care per resident per day beginning January 1, 2003.
- 2. A revision to the current upper payment limit (UPL) formula based 100% on bed allocations to a formula based 50% on bed allocations and 50% on cost allocations.
- 3. Update to AHCA Document Number 5300-0001 which incorporates a revised chart of accounts by the Auditor General August 23, 2002.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Florida Medicaid minimum nursing home staffing ratios and nursing home upper payment limit (UPL) methodology, and revised chart of accounts.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 409.919 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 409.908 FS.

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

TIME AND DATE: 2:00 p.m., January 9, 2003

PLACE: 2727 Mahan Drive, Conference Room C, Building 3, Tallahassee, Florida

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT. IF AVAILABLE, IS: James Estes, Medicaid Cost Reimbursement, Agency for Health Care Administration, 2727 Mahan Drive, Building 3, Room 2106-C, Tallahassee, Florida 32308, (850)414-2759 THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE FROM THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED ABOVE.

#### AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION Medicaid

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.:

Payment Methodology for Inpatient

**Hospital Services** 59G-6.020

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed amendment is to incorporate changes to the Florida Title XIX Inpatient Hospital Reimbursement Plan payment methodology, effective January 1, 2003, to provide the following changes:

1. Effective January 1, 2003, the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) will increase the total upper payment limit (UPL) balance based upon more current cost reporting data available for inpatient hospitals. The base amounts for the Graduate Medical Education (GME), Primary Care, Rural and Trauma silos will be increased along with additional payments for enhanced services for low-income and indigent individuals. The effect of the proposed amendment will be an increase in the upper payment limit (UPL) balance, effective January 1, 2003 for Florida Medicaid inpatient hospitals based upon more current cost reporting data available for inpatient hospitals. The base amounts for the Graduate Medical Education (GME), Primary Care, Rural and Trauma silos will be increased along with additional payments for enhanced services for low-income and indigent individuals.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Florida Medicaid upper payment limit (UPL) balance.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 409.919 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 409.908 FS.

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

TIME AND DATE: 3:00 p.m., January 9, 2003

PLACE: 2727 Mahan Drive, Conference Room C, Building 3, Tallahassee, Florida

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: James Estes, Medicaid Cost Reimbursement, Agency for Health Care Administration, 2727 Mahan Drive, Building 3, Room 2106-C, Tallahassee, Florida 32308, (850)414-2759

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

#### DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

**Construction Industry Licensing Board** 

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.: Definitions 61G4-21.002

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes to review the existing text to determine if amendments are necessary.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Definitions.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 489.108, 489.141 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 489.141 FS.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAW.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT IS: Executive Director, Construction Industry Licensing Board, Northwood Centre, 1940 N. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0750

### THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

61G4-21.002 Definitions.

- (1) through (3) No change.
- (4) "Same Transaction" as used in Section 489.141(3), F.S., and for purposes of this rule, means a contract, or any series of contracts, between the claimant and a contractor or qualified business, where such contract or contracts involve the same property, or contiguous properties and are either entered into at one time or serially.

Specific Authority 489.108, 489.141 FS. Law Implemented 489.141 FS. History–New 7-11-95, Amended 11-13-97.\_\_\_\_\_\_.

# DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

#### **Construction Industry Licensing Board**

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.: Payment of Claims 61G4-21.005

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes to review the existing text to determine if amendments are necessary.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Payment of Claims. SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 489.108, 489.141 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 489.141, 489.143 FS.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAW.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Executive Director, Construction Industry Licensing Board, Northwood Centre, 1940 N. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0750

### THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

61G4-21.005 Payment of Claims.

- (1) through (2) No change.
- (3) No claimant eligible for, or currently receiving, restitution under a civil or criminal restitution order or payment plan shall be eligible to recover from the Fund until two or more payments have been missed. Prior to receiving any payments, such a claimant shall provide the Board with a sworn affidavit stating how much has been received to date under such an order, the date and amount of the last payment, and how much is still due and owing under such an order.

Specific Authority 489.108, 489.141 FS. Law Implemented 489.141, 489.143 FS. History–New 7-11-95, Amended

### DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

#### **Board of Accountancy**

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.: College or University Requirements 61H1-27.001

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes to review this rule to determine if amendments are needed.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: College or University Requirements.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 473.304, 473.306 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 473.306 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 WEEKLY.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: John W. Johnson, Executive Director, Board of Accountancy, 240 N. W. 76th Drive, Suite A, Gainesville, Florida 32607

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

# DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

#### **Board of Accountancy**

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.: Experience for Licensure by Endorsement 61H1-29.003 PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes to review this rule to determine if amendments are needed.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Experience for Licensure by Endorsement.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 473.304, 473.308 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 473.308 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 WEEKLY.

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

# DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

#### **Board of Accountancy**

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.:

Reactivation of Inactive Licenses 61H1-33.007

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes to review this rule to determine if amendments are needed.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Reactivation of Inactive Licenses.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 473.304, 473.313 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 473.313 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 WEEKLY.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: John W. Johnson, Executive Director, Board of Accountancy, 240 N. W. 76th Drive, Suite A, Gainesville, Florida 32607

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

# DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

#### **Board of Accountancy**

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.:

Citations 61H1-36.005

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes to review this rule to determine if amendments are needed.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Citations.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 455.225(3), 473.304 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 455.225, 473.3101 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 WEEKLY.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: John W. Johnson, Executive Director, Board of Accountancy, 240 N. W. 76th Drive, Suite A, Gainesville, Florida 32607

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

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

DOCKET NO.: 02-46R

RULE CHAPTER TITLE: RULE CHAPTER NO.:

**Domestic Wastewater Residuals** 

62-640

The Department announces rule development for the above rule chapter. The Department of Environmental Protection will hold two Rule Development Workshops on potential regulatory changes to Chapter 62-640, F.A.C. The first workshop will be held in West Palm Beach on January 14, 2003. The second workshop will be held in Tampa on January 15, 2003. This rulemaking activity will address concerns with the land application of domestic wastewater residuals. The Department will be taking public input on permitting of residuals land application sites and other potential regulatory concepts that may reduce related public concerns and improve program management such as further requirements on all residuals including minimum treatment to Class A pathogen reduction standards.

The full text of this notice is published on the Internet at the Department of Environmental Protection's home page at http://www.dep.state.fl.us/ under the link or button titled "Official Notices," under the wastewater program area. For information on this workshop call Maurice Barker at telephone number (850)245-8614.

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

#### **Board of Hearing Aid Specialists**

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.:

Continuing Education as a

Condition for Renewal 64B6-5.001

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes to review the existing language in this rule to determine if any amendments are necessary.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Continuing education as a condition for renewal.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 456.013(6),(8), 484.044, 484.047(1),(4) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 484.047(4) FS.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Sue Foster, Executive Director, Board of Hearing Aid Specialist, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C08, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3258

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

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

#### **Board of Hearing Aid Specialists**

RULE TITLES: RULE NOS.: Definitions 64B6-8.001

Qualifications for Trainees, Sponsors

and Designated Hearing Aid Specialists 64B6-8.002

Trainee Stages, Minimum Training

Requirements, and Training Program 64B6-8.003

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes to review the existing language in these rules to determine if any amendments are necessary.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Definitions; qualifications for trainees, sponsors and designated hearing aid specialists; trainee stages, minimum training requirements, and training program.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 484.0445(1), 484.044 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 484.041, 484.0445, 484.045 FS.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Sue Foster, Executive Director, Board of Hearing Aid Specialist, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C08, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3258

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

#### FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

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RULE TITLES:	RULE NOS.:	
Purpose and Intent	67-50.001	
Definitions	67-50.005	
Fees	67-50.010	
Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)	67-50.020	
General Program Eligible Activities	67-50.030	
General Program Restrictions	67-50.040	
HAP Program Restrictions	67-50.050	
<b>HOME Program Restrictions</b>	67-50.060	
Application and Selection Procedures	67-50.070	
Credit Underwriting Procedures	67-50.080	
Disbursement of Funds, Draw Requests,		
and Loan Servicing	67-50.090	
Compliance and Monitoring	67-50.100	
DUDDOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this Dule Chapter is		

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this Rule Chapter is to establish the procedures by which the Corporation shall: (1) Administer the Application process, determine loan amounts, and service loans to Developers for the construction of affordable housing under the Florida Homeownership Assistance Program (HAP)/Construction Loan Program and provide purchase assistance to Eligible Homebuyers under the

HAP Permanent Loan Program, authorized by Chapters 420.507 and 420.5088, Florida Statutes (F.S.); and (2) Administer the Application process, determine loan amounts, and service loans to Developers for the construction of affordable housing and provide purchase assistance to Eligible Homebuyers under the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Homeownership Loan Program, authorized by Chapter 420.5089, F.S and HUD regulations, 24 CFR § 92, which is adopted and incorporated into this Rule chapter by reference.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The Rule Development Workshop will be held to receive comments and suggestions from interested persons relative to program requirements as specified in Rule Chapter 67-50, Florida Administrative Code.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 420.507, 420.5088, 420.5089 FS. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 420.507(23), 420.5088, 420.5089(2) FS.

A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE TIME, DATE AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

TIME AND DATE: 10:00 a.m., Monday, January 6, 2003

PLACE: Florida Housing Finance Corporation, Seltzer Conference Room, 6th Floor, 227 North Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301

DATE AND TIME: 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 7, 2003

PLACE: East Central Florida Regional Planning Council, 631 N. Wynmore Road, Suite 100, Maitland, Florida 32751

Any person requiring special accommodation at this hearing because of a disability or physical impairment should contact Laurie Camp at the above address. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please use the Florida Dual Party Relay system, which can be reached at 1(800)955-8770 (Voice) or 1(800)955-9771 (TDD).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Esrone McDaniels, Deputy Development Officer, Homeownership Programs, Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 North Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, (850)488-4197

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

### Section II Proposed Rules

#### DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

RULE TITLES:	RULE NOS.:
Definitions	4-149.0025
Actuarial Memorandum	4-149.006
Forms Adopted	4-149.022
Calculation of Premium Rates	4-149.037