

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 373.044, 373.113, 373.171, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 373.036, 373.042, 373.0421, F.S.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Doug Leeper, MFL Program Lead, SWFWMD, 2379 Broad Street, Brooksville, FL 34604, (352)796-7211, ext. 4272.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

40D-8.041 Minimum Flows.

(1) through (22) No change.

(23) Minimum Flows for the lower Shell Creek

(a) For purposes of this rule, the lower Shell Creek in Charlotte County, FL, includes the watercourse from the base of the downstream side of the Hendrickson Dam to its confluence with the Peace River.

(b) Minimum Flows for the lower Shell Creek are based on the daily average flow at the United States Geological Survey (USGS) Shell Creek near Punta Gorda, FL Gage, No. 02298202, adjusted for withdrawals and agricultural runoff, for the period of record from January 1, 1972, through December 31, 2018, as set forth in Table 8-27.

<u>Table 8-27 Minimum Flows for Lower Shell Creek Based on flow at the USGS Shell Creek near Punta Gorda, FL Gage Adjusted for Surface Withdrawals from the Shell Creek Reservoir and Agricultural Runoff to the Reservoir.</u>	
<u>If adjusted flow in cubic feet per second (cfs) on the previous day is:</u>	<u>Minimum Flow is:</u>
<u>≤ 56 cfs</u>	<u>87% of adjusted flow on the previous day</u>
<u>>56 cfs and ≤137cfs</u>	<u>77% of adjusted flow on the previous day</u>
<u>> 137 cfs</u>	<u>60% of adjusted flow on the previous day</u>

Status assessments of the Minimum Flows for the lower Shell Creek will be completed to determine whether the flow is below or projected to fall below the Minimum Flows. Each status assessment is independent from and not a determination of water use permit compliance or environmental resource permit compliance. Permit compliance is a regulatory function that is not within the scope of this subsection. As part of status assessment, the District will use the following approach:

1. The District will evaluate the Minimum Flow annually to determine the extent to which the flow of the lower Shell Creek has been reduced due to withdrawals as of the date of

each status assessment at Gage No. 02298202. The annual evaluation will be completed through a review of:

(a) Flow data;

(b) Water withdrawals data;

(c) Agricultural runoff data;

(d) Rainfall and evaporation data; and

(e) Hydrologic modeling.

2. The District will also evaluate the Minimum Flows every five years as part of the regional water supply planning process. This evaluation will include the use of hydrologic modeling.

3. If the Minimum Flows are being met based on the annual evaluation or the evaluation performed as a part of the regional water supply planning process, then no further actions are required beyond continued monitoring.

Rulemaking Authority 373.044, 373.113, 373.171 FS. Law Implemented 373.036, 373.042, 373.0421 FS. History—New 10-5-74, Amended 12-31-74, Formerly 16J-0.15, 40D-1.601, Amended 10-1-84, 8-7-00, 2-6-06, 4-6-06, 1-1-07, 11-25-07, 2-18-08, 3-2-08, 5-12-08, 5-10-09, 3-23-10, 3-28-10, 7-12-10, 8-2-10 (8), 8-2-10 (15), 10-16-12, 3-20-13(16), 3-20-13(17), 6-20-16, 3-15-18, 6-19-18, 4-15-20, 8-9-20, 4-12-21, ____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Southwest Florida Water Management District

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Southwest Florida Water Management District Governing Board

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: December 14, 2021

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: January 26, 2022

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Florida Real Estate Commission

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61J2-24.006 Probation

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the amendments is to update the text to clarify details regarding terms of probation including live attendance at meetings.

SUMMARY: Update rule text regarding live vs. online attendance.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the

statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: During discussion of the economic impact of this rule at its Commission meeting, the Commission, based upon the expertise and experience of its members, determined that a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) was not necessary and that the rule will not require ratification by the Legislature. No person or interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact at that time.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 475.05 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 455.227, 475.25(4) FS.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Giuvanna Corona, Executive Director, Florida Real Estate Commission, 400 W. Robinson Street, #N801, Orlando, FL 32801, Giuvanna.Corona@myfloridalicense.com

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

61J2-24.006 Probation.

(1) No change.

(2) If a respondent is unable to complete the requirements of probation within the ninety (90) days or such other time specified in the final order, the Division Director is authorized to grant a one-time one hundred eighty (180) days extension for the following reasons:

(a) through (c) No change.

(3) through (5) No change.

(6) When as a term of probation, the Commission orders a respondent to attend one or more meetings of the Commission, the respondent shall comply with the following in order to obtain credit for attending the meeting:

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) All electronic devices must be turned off; ~~and~~

(e) Failure to comply with this subsection or any other direction of the Commission consistent with an orderly public meeting will result in loss of credit for attendance at the entire meeting of the Commission;

(f) The meeting must be attended live, in-person. Video and / or telephonic meeting attendance will not be accepted. IF no live, in-person meetings are reasonably available during the term of probation, the term of probation may be automatically extended by the Division Director for up to one hundred eighty (180) days.

~~(g)~~(f) Any respondent requiring special accommodations to attend the meeting, because of a disability, must contact the Division of Real Estate staff at 400 West Robinson Street, Suite N801, Orlando, Florida 32801-1757, Call.Center@dbpr.state.fl.us, (850)487-1395 at least two weeks prior to the meeting date. The Commission will make a reasonable accommodation for those respondents who demonstrate they require special accommodations because they are a person who has a mental or physical impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of such individual.

Rulemaking Authority 475.05 FS. Law Implemented 455.227, 475.25(4) FS. History—New 2-13-96, Amended 11-10-97, 12-8-02, 7-10-06, 1-11-11, 8-31-16, 11-2-21, _____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:

Florida Real Estate Commission

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Real Estate Commission

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: December 15, 2021

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: January 28, 2022

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B4-2.0025 Definition of "Qualified Supervisor"

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rule amendment is intended to clarify the requirements for becoming a qualified supervisor.

SUMMARY: To update rule language on qualified supervisors. SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: During discussion of the economic impact of this rule at its Board meeting, the Board, based upon the expertise and experience of its members, determined that a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) was not necessary and that the rule will not require ratification by the Legislature. No person or interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact at that time.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 491.004(5), 491.005(1)(c), (3)(c), (4)(c) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 491.005(1)(c), (3)(c), (4)(c) FS.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Kimberly Marshall, Executive Director, Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin # C08, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3258.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

64B4-2.0025 ~~Definition of “Qualified Supervisor”~~
Definitions and Duties.

(1) No Change.

(2) A “qualified supervisor” for marriage and family therapy as specified in Section 491.005(3)(c), F.S., means a licensed marriage and family therapist ~~with at least five of experience~~ or the equivalent who meets the qualifications specified in Rule 64B4-21.007, F.A.C.

(3) No Change.

(4) Form DH-MOA 5049, Qualified Supervisor Statement Instructions and Form (Revised 11/2021), hereby adopted and incorporated by reference, which can be obtained from http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-_____, or on the web www.floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/resources, must be submitted by all qualified supervisors prior to initiation of any supervision in Florida for registered interns.

(5) In addition to the requirements found in Rule 64B4-2.002, F.A.C., a qualified supervisor shall:

(a) Provide the Board with a signed and dated letter which may be submitted electronically and which states the supervisor has agreed to provide the intern or applicant with supervision while a registered intern;

(b) Not commence supervision until the qualified supervisor confirms Board approval, registration status, and receipt of an approval letter from the Board office for each intern under supervision;

(c) Ensure that at all times the qualified supervisor and the intern act within their established scopes of practice providing the appropriate standard of care for each client of the intern;

(d) Report any violations of the scope of practice, standard of care, or any laws or rules directly to the Board within seven (7) days of the knowledge of such violation;

(e) Document a minimum of date, duration, and participants of all supervision sessions which shall be completed and signed, or otherwise verified, by the qualified supervisor no later than twenty-four (24) hours after each session;

(f) Ensure compliance with all continuing education requirements for both the qualified supervisor and the intern and provide updates to the intern on all changes to applicable laws and rules;

(g) Submit supervision hours to the Board within seven (7) days after the conclusion of supervision using form DH-MQA 1181, “Verification of Clinical Experience” which is incorporated in rule 64B4-3.0015, F.A.C.;

(h) Be available upon request of the Board to appear, to submit additional documentation, or to submit additional information regarding the intern’s performance during supervision;

(i) Terminate the supervision relationship if the qualified supervisor is unable to adequately provide supervision; and

(j) Notify the Board within seven (7) days of the termination of the supervision relationship for any reason.

(6) Failure to comply with any of the requirements or duties by a qualified supervisor shall be considered a violation of section 456.072(1)(k), F.S., for discipline purposes.

(7) The supervisor is deemed to have acted within the appropriate scope of practice while providing supervision to an intern by maintaining and following a written policy which requires that the supervisor:

(a) Enter into a supervision contract with the intern, covering expectations, meetings, and cost;

(b) Provide training and feedback throughout the supervision process;

(c) Educate and update interns on their profession’s Code of Ethics;

(d) Describe ethical, legal, and regulatory issues of supervision, including documentation of the supervisory sessions;

(e) Emphasize the importance of providing assessments and using techniques which are sensitive to the individual client’s needs, including the client’s cultural background;

(f) Serve as a mentor and role model for professional conduct as well as self-care;

(g) Demonstrate the ethical, legal, and regulatory issues of teletherapy;

(h) Set clear personal and professional boundaries; and

(i) Educate interns about personal versus professional self;

Rulemaking Authority 491.004(5), 491.005(1)(c), (3)(c), (4)(c) FS. Law Implemented 491.005(1)(c), (3)(c), (4)(c) FS. History—New 12-16-96, Formerly 59P-2.0025, _____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy
and Mental Health Counseling
NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE
PROPOSED RULE: Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage
and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling
DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY
HEAD: November 4, 2021
DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT
PUBLISHED IN FAR: January 21, 2022

**FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION
COMMISSION**

Marine Fisheries

RULE NOS.:	RULE TITLES:
68B-14.0035	Size Limits: Amberjacks, Black Sea Bass, Gray Triggerfish, Grouper, Hogfish, Red Porgy, Snapper
68B-14.00355	Size Limits for Importation and Sale
68B-14.0036	Recreational Bag Limits: Snapper, Grouper, Hogfish, Black Sea Bass, Red Porgy, Amberjacks, Tilefish, Exception, Wholesale/Retail Purchase Exemption
68B-14.0039	Recreational Grouper and Tilefish Seasons
68B-14.005	Regulation and Prohibition of Certain Harvesting Gear: Allowable Gear, Incidental Bycatch, Violation
68B-14.008	Open and Closed Areas for Recreational Harvest of Goliath Grouper
68B-14.0091	Recreational Goliath Grouper Harvest Permits; Goliath Grouper Tag Specifications; Harvest Reporting Requirements

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of these rule amendments is to establish a limited, highly regulated recreational harvest opportunity for goliath grouper. The effect of these rule amendments would be to establish a limited-entry special use opportunity for recreational harvest of goliath grouper with associated regulations such as recreational permit requirements, a bag limit, area and seasonal closures, size limits, and gear regulations.

SUMMARY: These rules would implement recreational special opportunity permit and tagging requirements, a bag limit, area and seasonal closures, size limits, gear restrictions and requirements, and post-harvest requirements for a limited, highly regulated recreational harvest opportunity for goliath grouper.

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

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within

one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: the nature of the rule and the preliminary analysis conducted to determine whether a SERC was required.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution

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

DATE AND TIME: During the Commission’s regular meeting March 2-3, 2022, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. each day

PLACE: Tampa Convention Center, Ballroom D, 333 S. Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Jessica McCawley, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries Management, 620 S. Meridian St., Tallahassee, Florida 32399, and (850)487-0554.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68B-14.0035 Size Limits: Amberjacks, Black Sea Bass, Gray Triggerfish, Grouper, Hogfish, Red Porgy, Snapper.

No person shall land, possess, unnecessarily destroy, purchase, exchange, sell or offer for sale any of the following species harvested in or from state waters, of a length less than set forth as follows:

(1) through (3) No change.

(4) Grouper (measured in terms of total length), except as provided in Rule 68B-7.003, F.A.C., for harvest from Biscayne National Park.

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) Goliath grouper no less than 20 inches, no greater than 36 inches.

(c) through (f) renumbered as (d) through (g). No change.

(5) through (7) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 12-31-98, Amended 3-1-99, Formerly 46-14.0035, Amended 1-1-00, 1-1-01, 1-1-01, 1-1-03, 9-16-05, 7-1-06, 7-1-07, 4-1-08, 1-6-09, 8-27-09, 3-23-12, 6-10-13, 7-9-15, 1-4-16, 6-1-16, 7-1-16, 11-17-16, 1-1-17, 8-24-17, 1-16-18, 7-23-18, 1-15-19, 7-1-19, 7-1-20, 7-1-22.

68B-14.00355 Size Limits for Importation and Sale.

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) No person shall purchase or sell a Nassau grouper or goliath grouper or possess a Nassau grouper or goliath grouper for either purpose is prohibited. ~~The possession, purchase, sale, or exchange of any Nassau grouper or goliath grouper or possess a Nassau grouper or goliath grouper for either purpose is prohibited.~~

(4) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 1-1-03, Amended 9-16-05, 7-1-06, 7-1-07, 4-1-08, 8-27-09, 3-23-12, 7-9-15, 11-17-16, 1-1-17, 8-24-17, 7-1-19, 7-1-22.

68B-14.0036 Recreational Bag Limits: Snapper, Grouper, Hogfish, Black Sea Bass, Red Porgy, Amberjacks, Tilefish, Exception, Wholesale/Retail Purchase Exemption.

(1) No change.

(2) Grouper.

(a) through (f) No change.

(g) Nassau grouper and goliath grouper. No person shall harvest in or from state waters, nor possess while in or on the waters of the state, or land, any Nassau grouper ~~or goliath grouper.~~ The purchase, sale, or exchange of any Nassau grouper ~~or goliath grouper~~ is prohibited.

(h) Goliath grouper.

1. Except as provided in rule 68B-14.0091, F.A.C., no person shall harvest or land a goliath grouper from Florida Waters or possess a goliath grouper.

2. A recreational harvester who meets the requirements of subsection 68B-14.0091(1), F.A.C., shall not harvest or land from Florida Waters more than one goliath grouper per open harvest season. Such person may not possess more than one goliath grouper. Such fish shall not be counted for purposes of the aggregate grouper bag and possession limit prescribed in paragraph (a).

3. The purchase, sale, or exchange of any goliath grouper is prohibited.

(3) through (6) No change.

(7) Tilefish.

(a) No change.

(b) Blueline tilefish. Except for the closed season in ~~paragraph subsection 68B-14.0039(4)(b) 68B-14.0039(b),~~ F.A.C., no recreational harvester shall harvest in or from state waters of the Atlantic Ocean and all waters of Monroe County nor possess in or on the state waters of the Atlantic Ocean and all waters of Monroe County more than three blueline tilefish

per person per day (consistent with the Federal Standard established in 50 C.F.R. §622.187(b)(2) as of February 27, 2020). Such fish shall be counted for purposes of the aggregate grouper bag and possession limit for the Atlantic Ocean and all waters of Monroe County prescribed in paragraph (2)(a).

(8) No change.

(9) Exception. The exceptions provided in paragraphs (9)(a)-(d) below do not apply to red porgy harvested from the Atlantic Ocean nor goliath grouper harvested from Florida Waters.

(a) Any person harvesting pursuant to the bag limits of this rule ~~and, with the exclusion of red porgy harvested from the Atlantic Ocean,~~ who has fished for more than one day, may possess double the bag limit once such person has landed the fish, departed the fishing site and is no longer within 100 yards of any state waters, docks, fishing piers, or other fishing sites.

(b) Consistent with Federal Standards in the Atlantic Ocean, any person harvesting pursuant to the bag limits of this rule, ~~with the exclusion of red porgy,~~ who has fished aboard a charter vessel or headboat on a vessel for hire trip that spans more than 24 hours may possess no more than two daily bag limits if each passenger is issued and has in possession a receipt issued on behalf of the vessel that verifies the length of the trip (consistent with requirements established in 50 C.F.R. §622.187(c)(1)(i) as of March 26, 2021).

(c) Consistent with Federal Standards in the Atlantic Ocean, any person harvesting pursuant to the bag limits of this rule, ~~with the exclusion of red porgy,~~ who has fished aboard a headboat on a vessel for hire trip that spans more than 48 hours and can document that fishing was conducted on at least three days may possess no more than three daily bag limits if each passenger is issued and has in possession a receipt issued on behalf of the vessel that verifies the length of the trip (consistent with requirements established in 50 C.F.R. §622.187(c)(1)(ii) as of March 26, 2021).

(d) No change.

(10) Wholesale/retail purchase exemption. Except as provided in ~~paragraphs paragraph (2)(d) and (2)(h),~~ the possession limits of this rule do not apply to any licensed seafood dealer, or to any fish purchased from a licensed wholesale or retail seafood dealer. The burden shall be upon the person claiming the benefit of this exemption to show, by receipts, bills of sale, or other appropriate documentation, that such fish were purchased from a licensed wholesale or retail seafood dealer. Failure to maintain such receipts, bills of sale, or other appropriate documentation shall constitute a violation of this rule.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 12-31-98, Amended 3-1-99, Formerly 46-14.0036, Amended 10-22-99, 1-1-00, 3-6-00, 3-1-01, 1-1-03, 1-3-05, 9-16-05, 1-1-06, 7-1-06, 7-1-07, 4-1-08, 1-6-09, 8-27-09, 10-16-09, 1-19-10, 12-30-11, 7-1-12, 6-10-13(4), 6-10-13(8), 3-13-14,

5-7-15, 7-1-16, 11-17-16, 1-1-17, 5-30-17, 8-24-17, 1-16-18, 7-1-19, 4-1-20, 1-1-21, 8-25-21, 7-1-22.

68B-14.0039 Recreational Grouper and Tilefish Seasons.

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) Goliath Grouper.

(a) Goliath Grouper Open Season. In all areas open to harvest of goliath grouper as provided in rule 68B-14.008, F.A.C., the open season for the recreational harvest of goliath grouper shall be March 1 through May 31 each year.

(b) Goliath Grouper Closed Season. No person shall harvest or land from Florida Waters a goliath grouper from June 1 through the last day of February of the following year. Except as provided in rule 68B-14.0091, F.A.C., no person shall possess a goliath grouper from June 1 through the last day of February of the following year.

(3) renumbered as (4). No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 1-6-09, Amended 8-27-09, 1-19-10, 6-17-11, 3-23-12, 5-9-13, 10-31-13, 6-1-16, 7-1-16, 8-31-17, 1-1-21, 7-1-22.

68B-14.005 Regulation and Prohibition of Certain Harvesting Gear: Allowable Gear, Incidental Bycatch, Violation.

(1) Allowable gear. Except as provided in subsection (3) (2), the following shall be the only gear types and methods allowed for the harvest in or from state waters of any of the species specified in subsection 68B-14.001(2), F.A.C.:

(a) through (c) No change.

(2) Allowable gear for goliath grouper.

(a) A person may harvest or attempt to harvest a goliath grouper from Florida Waters only by or with the use of hook and line gear.

(b) Required gear for goliath grouper. For a person onboard a vessel in or on Florida Waters harvesting goliath grouper, the vessel must possess onboard and such person must use the gear specified in subparagraphs 1. and 2.

1. Non-stainless steel circle hooks. Non-stainless steel circle hooks are required to be used on hook and line gear when fishing with natural baits. “Circle hook” means a fishing hook designed and manufactured so that the point is not offset and is turned perpendicularly back to the shank to form a general circular or oval shape.

2. Dehooking devices. At least one dehooking device is required and must be used to remove hooks embedded in goliath grouper with minimum damage. The dehooking device must be constructed to allow the hook to be secured and the barb shielded without re-engaging during the removal process. The dehooking device must be blunt, and all edges rounded.

The device must be of a size appropriate to secure the range of hook sizes used for goliath grouper.

(2) through (4) renumbered as (3) through (5). No change.

(6)(5) Violation. Possession of any of the species specified in subsection 68B-14.001(2), F.A.C., beyond the bycatch allowance in paragraph (3)(a) (2)(a), aboard a vessel fishing in state waters, while also in possession of unauthorized gear, constitutes a violation of subsections (1) and (3) (2).

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 12-11-86, Amended 2-1-90, 3-1-94, 10-4-95, 7-15-96, 1-1-98, 12-31-98, 6-1-99, Formerly 46-14.005, Amended 1-1-03, 3-1-05, 7-17-05, 7-1-07, 3-12-08, 4-1-08, 1-19-10, 6-10-13, 1-24-14, 3-15-17, 5-30-17, 1-1-21, 7-1-22.

68B-14.008 Open and Closed Areas for Recreational Harvest of Goliath Grouper

(1) Open Areas – The areas open to the recreational harvest of goliath grouper include all Florida Waters of Nassau through Martin counties, all Florida Waters of the Gulf of Mexico in Monroe County, and all Florida Waters of Collier through Escambia counties.

(2) Closed Areas – All Florida Waters of Palm Beach through Miami-Dade counties, all Florida Waters of the Atlantic Ocean in Monroe County, and all Florida Waters within Dry Tortugas National Park are closed to the recreational harvest of goliath grouper.

(a) No person shall harvest or land a goliath grouper from Florida Waters that are closed to the harvest of goliath grouper.

(b) No person shall possess a goliath grouper in or on Florida Waters that are closed to the harvest of goliath grouper. Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 7-1-22.

68B-14.0091 Recreational Goliath Grouper Harvest Permits; Goliath Grouper Tag Specifications; Harvest Reporting Requirements.

(1) No person shall harvest or land a goliath grouper from Florida Waters or possess a goliath grouper unless:

(a) Such person has been issued a recreational goliath grouper harvest permit pursuant to subsection (2);

(b) Such person has been issued a goliath grouper tag pursuant to subsection (3) and a valid goliath grouper tag is securely attached around the lower jawbone of the goliath grouper immediately upon harvest; and,

(c) Such harvest or possession is consistent with other applicable provisions of Chapter 68B-14, F.A.C.

(2) Recreational Goliath Grouper Harvest Permits –

(a) Recreational goliath grouper harvest permits may be applied for through the Commission’s online licensing system during a 15 consecutive day period between October 1 and November 30 each year to be set by posting on the agency’s website.

1. An applicant may only submit one application for a recreational goliath grouper harvest permit during any single application period; however an applicant may elect to apply for one or more permit category, defined as follows:

a. A “Category I” recreational goliath grouper permit is valid within all Florida Waters open to the harvest of goliath grouper as provided by subsection 68B-14.008(1), F.A.C.

b. A “Category II” recreational goliath grouper permit is valid within all Florida Waters open to the harvest of goliath grouper as provided by subsection 68B-14.008(1), F.A.C., excluding all waters of Everglades National Park. A person issued a Category II recreational goliath grouper harvest permit may not harvest or land a goliath grouper from Everglades National Park or possess a goliath grouper within Everglades National Park.

2. Upon application, each applicant must pay a \$10 non-refundable application fee and must agree to pay a \$500 permit fee for the issuance of a recreational goliath grouper permit should the applicant be awarded a permit. No person is exempt from paying the special use application or permit fees.

(b) Applicants for a recreational goliath grouper harvest permit shall:

1. Not have received a disposition other than acquittal or dismissal for a violation of any provision of chapters 369, 379, or 828, F.S., or of a rule of the Commission or of other similar laws or rules in this or any other jurisdiction that relate to hunting or fishing, within a period of five (5) years preceding the date of application.

2. Not have previously been issued a recreational goliath grouper harvest permit for the current application year.

3. Have timely submitted required harvest reporting for any recreational goliath grouper harvest permits issued to the applicant prior to the current application year.

(c) One goliath grouper tag will be issued with each recreational goliath grouper harvest permit.

(d) A person shall not be issued more than one recreational goliath grouper harvest permit for any single harvest period. A recreational goliath grouper harvest permit shall be valid only for the permit category and the harvest period indicated thereon. For the purpose of this rule, “harvest period” means the open harvest season established in paragraph 68B-14.0039(3)(a), F.A.C.

(f) Recreational goliath grouper harvest permits are not transferable.

(g) The Commission may not issue more than a total of 200 recreational goliath grouper harvest permits for any single harvest period. No more than 50 such permits shall be Category I recreational goliath grouper harvest permits.

(3) Goliath Grouper Tags –

(a) One goliath grouper tag will be issued with each recreational goliath grouper harvest permit issued pursuant to subsection (2).

(b) A person may not be issued more than one goliath grouper tag for any single harvest period. A person may not use a goliath grouper tag more than once.

(c) Validity of Goliath Grouper Tags –

1. A goliath grouper tag is only valid for the harvest, possession, and landing of one goliath grouper.

2. A goliath grouper tag is only valid for the recreational goliath grouper harvest permit category and the harvest period indicated thereon.

3. A goliath grouper tag is not transferable. The sale, purchase, transfer, or exchange of a goliath grouper tag to any person other than the original recreational goliath grouper harvest permit holder is prohibited.

(d) The Commission may not issue more than a total of 200 goliath grouper tags for any single harvest period. No more than 50 such goliath grouper tags shall be issued for Category I recreational goliath grouper harvest permits.

(e) Exceptions to Tag Requirement – The prohibition of possession of an untagged goliath grouper in paragraph (1)(b) does not apply to a taxidermist who removes the goliath grouper tag during the process of mounting a legally harvested goliath grouper. The taxidermist shall ensure that the removed tag remains with the goliath grouper during any subsequent storage or shipment.

(4) Harvest Reporting Requirements –

(a) A person who harvests a goliath grouper under a recreational goliath grouper permit issued pursuant to subsection (2) must report such harvest and harvest data within 24 hours after harvest to the Commission’s online harvest reporting system, available at: <https://GoOutdoorsFlorida.com> and through the Fish|Hunt Florida app on Apple and Android devices.

(b) A person who has been issued a recreational goliath grouper harvest permit and does not harvest a goliath grouper must report that no harvest occurred to the Commission’s harvest reporting system within 24 hours after the assigned harvest period closes.

(c) In addition to the information required in paragraph (a), a person who harvests a goliath grouper under a recreational goliath grouper harvest permit must provide a biological sample of such goliath grouper if required by the terms of the permit.

(d) Under Section 379.401(1), F.S., failure to file reports required of persons who hold recreational licenses is a non-criminal infraction.

(5) No person is exempt from the permitting or tagging requirements of this rule.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.354, FS, Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.354 FS. History—New 7-1-22.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Jessica McCawley, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries Management, 620 S. Meridian St., Tallahassee, Florida 32399, and (850)487-0554.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: October 6, 2021

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: February 11, 2022

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Marine Fisheries

RULE NOS.:	RULE TITLES:
68B-31.003	Live Bait Shrimp Trawl Gear Specifications
68B-31.0035	Trawls: Allowed Use; Maximum Square Footage of Mesh Area; Definitions
68B-31.006	Definitions
68B-31.007	Statewide Recreational Shrimping Restrictions
68B-31.008	Statewide Live Bait Shrimp Production Restrictions
68B-31.009	Statewide Food Shrimp Production Restrictions
68B-31.017	Big Bend Region Closed Areas; Seasonal Closures
68B-31.018	Northwest Region Closed Areas; Repealed Special Acts

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of these rules is to increase recreational access, allow commercial food shrimp harvesters to produce the highest quality frozen shrimp, and clarify and update regulations.

The effect of the rules would be to implement a recreational bag and vessel limit with cast nets and dip nets for shrimp harvested in the Big Bend closed area, allow the possession and use of high-salinity freezer tanks aboard commercial shrimp vessels for freezer processing, and clarify and update regulations.

SUMMARY: These rules will implement a recreational bag and vessel limit for shrimp in the Big Bend closed area, which will create additional access to the shrimp fishery and is not expected to negatively impact the shrimp resource or seagrass habitat. Additionally, these rules will allow the possession and use of high-salinity freezer tanks for commercial shrimp production, which will align FWC’s rules with industry standards for producing high quality frozen shrimp for the seafood market. Lastly, these rules will clarify the boundary for the closed area in Santa Rosa Sound, correct the name of the

“Live Bait Shrimp License” and update a definition referring to that license, and add a definition of “inland waters” which will clarify regulations while also being consistent with Florida Statutes.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: the nature of the rule and the preliminary analysis conducted to determine whether a SERC was required.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution

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

DATE AND TIME: During the Commission’s regular meeting March 2-3, 2022, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. each day

PLACE: Tampa Convention Center, Ballroom D, 333 S. Franklin Street, Tampa, Florida 33602

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Jessica McCawley, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries Management, 620 S. Meridian St., Tallahassee, Florida 32399, and (850)487-0554.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68B-31.003 Live Bait Shrimp Trawl Gear Specifications.

(1) No change.

(2) No person shall operate or fish any otter trawl, or possess any otter trawl that is rigged for fishing aboard any vessel, in the Northeast Florida Commercial Live Shrimp Production Bait Shrimp Fishery, which trawl does not have a bycatch reduction device (BRD) installed therein meeting the requirements of Rule 68B-31.0045, F.A.C.

(3) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 12-11-86, Amended 1-1-96, 6-3-96, Formerly 46-31.003, Amended 5-1-22.

68B-31.0035 Trawls: Allowed Use; Maximum Square Footage of Mesh Area; Definitions.

(1) Trawls are hereby declared to be allowable gear for the directed harvest of shrimp, as defined in subsection 68B-31.006(21) ~~68B-31.006(19)~~, F.A.C., or calico scallops, as authorized in Rule 68B-53.006 ~~68B-53.003~~, F.A.C., only. To the extent that other marine species are harvested with a trawl as an incidental bycatch of the directed harvest of shrimp, the quantity of such other species that may be retained are subject to the limits specified in other chapters of Division 68B of the F.A.C.

(2) through (4) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, and Art. X, Sec. 16, Florida Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, and Art. X, Sec. 16, Florida Const. History—New 1-1-96, Amended 3-1-99, Formerly 46-31.0035, Amended 7-1-20, 5-1-22.

68B-31.006 Definitions.

As used in Rule 68B-31.005, F.A.C., through the remainder of the chapter:

(1) through (4) No change.

(5) “Brine Box” means a container holding water that has a higher salinity than the surrounding seawater ~~that is generally used aboard a vessel to separate harvested shrimp from bycatch.~~

(6) through (10) No change.

(11) “Inland waters” means all creeks, rivers, bayous, bays, inlets, and canals.

(11) through (12) renumbered as (12) through (13). No change.

~~(14)(13) “Live bait shrimp producer” means any person harvesting shrimp for the purpose of delivering and selling that shrimp alive for use as bait pursuant to a valid saltwater products license with a restricted species endorsement and, additionally, in the Northeast Region, a live bait shrimp production license issued as provided in Section 379.247, F.S.~~

(14) through (28) renumbered as (15) through (29). No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 1-1-92, Amended 3-16-93, 11-29-93, 10-3-94, 6-3-96, 6-1-99, Formerly 46-31.006, Amended 12-2-99, 3-1-05, 12-15-19, 5-1-22.

68B-31.007 Statewide Recreational Shrimping Restrictions.

Except for persons harvesting shrimp commercially as either a food shrimp producer or a live bait shrimp producer, each person harvesting shrimp in or on the waters of the state shall comply with the requirements specified in this rule.

(1) Bag and Vessel Limits Limit –

~~(a)1. Except as provided in paragraph (b) for a portion of the Big Bend Region, nNo person shall harvest or land more than five gallons of shrimp, heads on, per day. No person shall possess more than five gallons of shrimp, heads on, in or on Florida Waters, or on any dock, pier, bridge, beach, or other fishing site adjacent to such waters provided, however, that two or more harvesters aboard a single vessel in or on the waters of the state shall be subject to the vessel possession limit specified in paragraph (b).~~

~~2. Except as provided in paragraph (b) for a portion of the Big Bend Region, the persons aboard a vessel in or on Florida Waters may not collectively possess (b) The possession of more than five gallons of shrimp, heads on, aboard a vessel in or on the waters of the state or on any dock, pier, bridge, beach, or other fishing site adjacent to such waters, at any time is prohibited.~~

(b) The following bag and vessel limits apply within the area described in subsection 68B-31.017(1), F.A.C., for a portion of the Big Bend Region:

1. No person shall harvest or land from within the described area more than two gallons of shrimp, heads on, per day. No person shall possess more than two gallons of shrimp, heads on, in or on Florida Waters of the described area, or on any dock, pier, bridge, beach, or other fishing site adjacent to such waters.

2. The persons aboard a vessel in or on Florida Waters within the described area may not collectively possess more than five gallons of shrimp, heads on. This provision will not be construed to authorize harvest or possession of shrimp in excess of the applicable bag limit established in subparagraph (1)(b)1.

(c) No change.

(2) Allowable Gear – Except as provided in paragraph (g), nNo person subject to the requirements of this rule shall use any type of gear to harvest shrimp other than those types of gear specified herein:

(a) Landing or dip net with an opening no larger than 96 inches around the perimeter.

(b) Cast net with a stretched length (the distance from the horn at the center of the net, with the net gathered and pulled taut, to the lead line) no greater than 14 feet.

(c) through (f) No change.

(g) Within the area described in subsection 68B-31.017(1), F.A.C., for a portion of the Big Bend Region, a person subject to the requirements of this rule shall harvest shrimp only by or

with those gear types listed in paragraphs 68B-31.007(2)(a) and (2)(b).

(3) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 1-1-92, Amended 1-1-96, 6-3-96, Formerly 46-31.007, Amended 12-2-99, 3-1-05, 5-1-22.

68B-31.008 Statewide Live Bait Shrimp Production Restrictions.

Each person harvesting shrimp in or on the waters of the state as a live bait shrimp producer shall comply with the requirements specified in this rule.

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) No person harvesting shrimp in or on the waters of the state shall operate as a live bait shrimp producer and as a food shrimp producer or a recreational harvester on the same trip.

(4) No person shall sell or offer for sale shrimp harvested pursuant to a Commercial Live Shrimp Production License issued as provided in section 379.247, F.S., live bait shrimping license as anything other than live bait, provided, however, that shrimp harvested pursuant to a live bait shrimping license in the waters of Nassau, Duval, St. Johns, and Flagler Counties shall not be sold or offered for sale as anything other than live bait.

(4) through (5) renumbered as (5) through (6). No change.

(7)(6) Each person harvesting shrimp in or on the waters of the state as a live bait shrimp producer shall possess a valid saltwater products license with a restricted species endorsement. Persons harvesting shrimp within the inland waters of Nassau, Duval, St. Johns, Putnam, Flagler, or cClay Counties as a live bait shrimp producer must also possess a valid Commercial Live Shrimp Production License for such purpose issued as provided in Section 379.247, F.S.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 1-1-92, Amended 10-3-94, 1-1-96, Formerly 46-31.008, Amended 12-2-99, 2-28-02, 3-1-05, 5-1-22.

68B-31.009 Statewide Food Shrimp Production Restrictions.

The following requirements shall apply to each person harvesting shrimp in or on the waters of the state as a food shrimp producer. Each such person shall also comply with the regional food shrimp production requirements of Rules 68B-31.010 through 68B-31.015, F.A.C., and the area or seasonal closures in the remainder of the chapter.

(1) No change.

(2) No person harvesting shrimp in or on state waters as a food shrimp producer shall use a brine box to separate shrimp from other species or possess a brine box aboard the vessel used for such harvest. This shall not prohibit a food shrimp producer from using a brine box to rapidly freeze shrimp that have been manually separated from bycatch and bagged in preparation for

placement in cold storage aboard a vessel. The possession of any species other than shrimp within a brine box aboard a vessel shall constitute a violation of this subsection.

(3) through (6) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 1-1-92, Amended 11-29-93, 1-1-96, 7-16-96, Formerly 46-31.009, Amended 12-2-99, 3-1-05, 11-12-18, 12-15-19, 5-1-22.

68B-31.017 Big Bend Region Closed Areas; Seasonal Closures.

(1) Beginning January 1, 1994, No food shrimp producer or live bait shrimp producer person shall harvest shrimp in the areas of Wakulla, Jefferson, Taylor, Dixie, Levy, Citrus, Hernando, and Pasco Counties landward of the line described as:

Beginning at Bailey’s Bluff in Pasco County (Point A); thence northerly to Point B; thence northeasterly to Point C; thence northerly to Point D; thence northeasterly to Point E; thence northerly to Point F; thence northwesterly to Point G; thence northerly to Point H; thence northwesterly to Point I; thence northerly to Point J; thence northwesterly to Point K; thence southwesterly to Point L; thence northwesterly to Point M; thence northerly to Point N; thence northwesterly to Point O; thence northerly to Point P; thence northwesterly to Point Q; thence northerly to Point R; thence northwesterly to Point S; thence southwesterly to flashing channel marker #1 in St. Marks Channel; thence northerly to the St. Marks Lighthouse. Points B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, and S are expressed as follows by longitude and latitude:

Point	North Latitude	West Longitude
B	28°16.68'	82°47.21'
C	28°18.28'	82°45.68'
D	28°26.93'	82°45.95'
E	28°28.43'	82°44.49'
F	28°43.53'	82°45.22'
G	28°44.38'	82°46.71'
H	28°57.91'	82°47.53'
I	28°59.41'	82°50.41'
J	29°03.28'	82°50.66'
K	29°06.91'	82°57.81'
L	29°03.38'	83°01.42'
M	29°07.30'	83°08.78'
N	29°22.98'	83°15.89'
O	29°29.58'	83°26.72'
P	29°38.25'	83°26.66'
Q	29°43.36'	83°34.39'
R	29°52.40'	83°40.11'
S	30°00.04'	84°07.63'

(2) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 11-29-93, Formerly 46-31.017, Amended 7-9-02, 5-1-22.

68B-31.018 Northwest Region Closed Areas; Repealed Special Acts.

(1) through (8) No change.

(9) ~~No person shall operate as a food shrimp producer. It is unlawful to engage in food shrimp production~~ in the following area: that portion of Santa Rosa Sound lying in Escambia, Santa Rosa, and Okaloosa ~~Counties west of the and between Brooks Bridge (U.S. Highway 98) in Okaloosa County as the east boundary and east of the Bob Sikes Bridge (County Road 399) Baseule Bridge~~ in Santa Rosa and Escambia counties ~~County as the west boundary.~~

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 7-16-96, Formerly 46-31.018, Amended 3-1-05, 4-13-17, 5-1-22.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Jessica McCawley, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries Management, 620 S. Meridian St., Tallahassee, Florida 32399, and (850) 487-0554.

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

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**Section III
Notice of Changes, Corrections and
Withdrawals**

NONE

**Section IV
Emergency Rules**

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Family Safety and Preservation Program

RULE NO.: 65CER22-1
 RULE TITLE: Standards for Unaccompanied Alien Children and Unaccompanied Refugee Minor Programs

SPECIFIC REASONS FOR FINDING AN IMMEDIATE DANGER TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE: On September 28, 2021, the Governor of the State of Florida signed Executive Order 21-223, declaring that the Biden administration’s refusal to faithfully enforce federal

immigration laws has led to an unprecedented surge of illegal border crossings at the southwest border of the United States. In July 2021 alone, over 213,000 persons attempted to illegally enter the United States at the southwest border, the highest number in more than 20 years, and another 209,840 persons attempted to illegally enter in August. Note 1. For the entire federal fiscal year of 2021, over 1.7 million foreign nationals were encountered at the southwest border attempting to enter the country illegally. Note 2. In the first quarter of this federal fiscal year, the reported number of such encounters stands at more than 518,000. Note 3. By contrast, in the last full federal fiscal year of the previous administration (federal fiscal year 2020), there were fewer than 460,000 such encounters, and in the fiscal year before that (federal fiscal year 2019), there were fewer than 980,000 encounters. Note 4.

The Biden administration has taken numerous actions to cause and further exacerbate this border crisis. It terminated the previous administration’s Migrant Protection Protocol (MPP) program (also known as the “Remain in Mexico” policy), reinstated a “catch and release” policy, ended further construction of a border wall, and declined to detain and remove certain categories of illegal aliens who had been convicted of committing crimes. The administration’s unlawful termination of MPP was successfully challenged in court, see *Texas v. Biden*, No. 21-10806 (5th Cir. Dec. 21, 2021), but the Biden administration is currently working to reimplement the program. Its other actions, however, remain in effect.

Notwithstanding that federal immigration law generally requires that aliens entering the United States without a clear right to be admitted (including applicants for asylum) must be detained pending further proceedings, see 8 U.S.C. § 1225(b)(2)(A), *id.* § 1225(b)(1)(B), the Biden administration has instead been releasing into the interior of the United States large numbers of illegal aliens apprehended at the southwest border. The U.S. Border Patrol released 60,559 illegal aliens from the southwest border in July 2021 alone and another 44,112 in August 2021, a massive increase from the 17 illegal aliens released in December 2020, the last full month of the previous administration. Note 5. During federal fiscal year 2021, the Border Patrol released in total more than 248,000 aliens apprehended at the southwest border, almost all of which occurred after January 2021. Note 6. This number does not reflect additional releases by other elements of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS). In an October 20, 2021 letter, DHS confirmed that at least 5,900 single illegal alien adults who were released at the southwest border have reported to an Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) field office in Florida. This number likely vastly underreports the number of released illegal aliens from the southwest border who have resettled in Florida because approximately 80% of aliens who are released at the border and are directed to report

to an ICE office within 60 days reportedly fail to do so. Note 7. Because the Federal Government does not actively coordinate or consult with the State of Florida concerning the illegal aliens that it releases from the southwest border into the interior of the United States, the State of Florida has no knowledge about the backgrounds, criminal history, immigration status, or the status of removal proceedings for the aliens who have resettled in Florida. The State of Florida has brought a legal challenge to the Biden administration's unlawful "catch and release" policy, which is now pending in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida. See First Amended Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief, *State of Florida v. United States*, No. 3:21-cv-01066-TKW-EMT (N.D. Fla. Feb. 1, 2022) (articulating harms to the State of Florida because of the Biden administration's "catch and release" policy).

The surge of foreign nationals attempting to enter illegally at the southwest border has included a large number of Unaccompanied Alien Children (UAC), defined by federal law as a child who has no lawful immigration status; has not attained 18 years of age; and, with respect to whom, there is no parent or legal guardian in the United States, or no parent or legal guardian in the United States available to provide physical custody and care, see 6 U.S.C. § 279(g)(2). Over 146,000 encounters at the southwest border for federal fiscal year 2021 involved UAC or single minors, compared to approximately 33,000 in fiscal year 2020 and 80,000 in fiscal year 2019. Note 8. For federal fiscal year 2022, the number of such encounters has already reached more than 38,000. Note 9. Under existing federal law, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) must take custody of these UAC and attempt to place them with sponsors in the United States until the UAC's immigration proceedings are completed. While the UAC await placement with a sponsor, HHS will often house the UAC in group home facilities or foster homes that are operated by private entities or individuals under contract with HHS and licensed by the states where the facilities or homes are located. It is estimated that at least 4,284 UAC were housed in group home facilities or foster homes in Florida over the last year. During federal fiscal year 2021, 11,145 UAC were placed with sponsors in Florida, more than the 10,773 UAC placed in California, a substantially larger state. Note 10. So far during federal fiscal year 2022, 3,597 UAC have already been placed in Florida. Note 11.

Neither DHS nor HHS actively coordinates or consults with the State of Florida, including the Department, on the UAC that are resettled in Florida. The State does not receive meaningful, if any, advance notice when UAC are transported to Florida and is not meaningfully consulted on the number of UAC that the State's child-caring resources and capacity could feasibly support without adversely affecting children already present in Florida and under the State's protection and care. Recently, the

State of Florida discovered that, between May and October 2021, there were 78 flights that arrived in Florida likely transporting UAC. This occurred without advance notice to the Department and without the State's consent. The State is given no opportunity to object to the transportation or resettlement of UAC in Florida.

Moreover, the State receives no information on the background, criminal history, immigration status, status of removal proceedings, or the sponsors of the UAC brought to Florida. See, e.g., Letter from Governor Ron DeSantis to DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, Resettlement of Illegal Aliens in Florida, Aug. 26, 2021; Letter from Acting ICE Director Tae Johnson to Governor Ron DeSantis, Oct. 20, 2021; Letter from DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas to Governor Ron DeSantis, Nov. 24, 2021. UAC are regularly placed with sponsors without adequate follow-up by HHS or the placement entities to ensure the safety and welfare of the UAC. According to a recent report, between January and May 2021, federal contractors responsible for placing UAC with sponsors across the United States were unable to reach the minor or the sponsor in roughly one of every three attempts. Note 12. Nor does the State have any assurance that the UAC are, in fact, minors. As a result of the chaos at the southwest border, there is a significant risk of insufficient and inaccurate vetting of people claiming protection as UAC. Many UAC are male teenagers nearing adulthood, and some are gang members when they arrive or later become gang members. Note 13. Recently, a 24-year-old Honduran national was charged with murder in Florida after having falsely represented his age and having been released into the United States as a UAC. Note 14. In short, the Federal Government has failed to provide the State of Florida with sufficient answers to its requests for information on the resettlement of illegal aliens, including UAC, so that their safety and the safety and welfare of Florida's citizens, including children already present in Florida, can be secured. The Federal Government's failure to enforce federal immigration law and secure the border, as well as the absence of meaningful coordination and consultation concerning the resettlement of UAC in Florida, are an immediate danger to the safety and welfare of Floridians, including its most vulnerable children, as well as recently arrived UAC. (The Federal Government's conduct with respect to the resettlement of UAC in Florida stands in stark contrast to the Federal Government's conduct with respect to the resettlement of Unaccompanied Refugee Minors (URM), where the Federal Government has a cooperative agreement in place with the State of Florida.)

To date, the Department has generally granted licenses to facilities that sought to house UAC brought to Florida by HHS. In light of the crisis described above, Section 8 of Executive Order 21-223 directed the Department to "determine whether the resettlement of unaccompanied alien children in Florida from outside of the state constitutes 'evidence of need' under

section 409.175(5)(b)(1), Florida Statutes, sufficient to justify the award of a license under Florida law to family foster homes, residential child-caring agencies, or child-placing agencies that seek to provide services for unaccompanied alien children.” “To the extent that such resettlement of unaccompanied alien children in Florida is determined not to constitute ‘evidence of need’ under Florida law,” the executive order directed the Department to “amend, if necessary, Florida Administrative Code Rule 65C-46.022, ‘Standards for Unaccompanied Alien Children (UAC) Homes and Unaccompanied Refugee Minor Programs,’ in accordance with state law, to reflect the Department’s determination.” In this Emergency Rule, the Department determines that an application for issuance or renewal of a license to house UAC or URM, who are being resettled in Florida from outside of the state, does not constitute “evidence of need,” § 409.175(5)(b)1, Florida Statutes, “to protect the health, safety, and well-being of all children in the state” cared for by residential child-caring agencies, § 409.175(1)(a), Florida Statutes, in the absence of a cooperative agreement between the State of Florida and the Federal Government in which the State of Florida is entitled, at a minimum, to advance notice and meaningful consultation before the resettlement of such UAC or URM in Florida. The Emergency Rule also prohibits existing licensees from adding to their existing UAC population and imposes additional requirements to ensure that such licensees protect the safety and welfare of UAC that they place with sponsors in the state. Given the ongoing crisis at the border, including the Federal Government’s failure to enforce federal immigration law and to secure the border, the resettlement of UAC in Florida, its ongoing refusal to provide meaningful coordination and consultation, its failure to provide adequate protection for and supervision of UAC once they are placed with sponsors in the state, and its failure to adequately screen purported UAC (as evidenced by the recent murder charge brought against an adult foreign national who misrepresented his age to gain entry to the United States), emergency rulemaking is justified and necessary.

Note 1: Rebecca Beitsch, US-Mexico July Border Crossings Hit 20 Year High, *The Hill* (Aug. 12, 2021), <https://thehill.com/policy/national-security/567647-us-mexico-july-border-crossings-near-20-year-high>; see U.S. Customs & Border Prot., Southwest Land Border Encounters, <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/stats/southwest-land-border-encounters> (last updated Jan. 4, 2022) (showing 213,593 for July and 209,840 for August).

Note 2: U.S. Customs & Border Prot., Southwest Land Border Encounters, *supra* note 1.

Note 3: *Id.*

Note 4: *Id.*

Note 5: See U.S. Customs & Border Prot., Custody and Transfer Statistics FY2021, <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/stats/custody-and-transfer-statistics-fy2021> (last accessed Feb. 9, 2022).

Note 6: See *id.*

Note 7: See Mark Krikorian, Immigration Enforcement on the Honor System, <https://www.nationalreview.com/corner/immigration-enforcement-on-the-honor-system/> (July 16, 2021). In addition, between federal fiscal year 2008 and 2019, “32 percent of aliens referred to [immigration courts] absconded into the United States” and did not report to their hearings. See Memorandum Opinion and Order, *Texas v. Biden*, No. 2:21-CV-067-Z, 2021 WL 3603341, at *4 (N.D. Tex. Aug. 13, 2021).

Note 8: See U.S. Customs & Border Prot., Southwest Land Border Encounters, *supra* note 1.

Note 9: See *id.*

Note 10: See Office of Refugee Resettlement, Unaccompanied Children Released to Sponsors by State (June 24, 2021), <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/orr/grant-funding/unaccompanied-children-released-sponsors-state>.

Note 11: See *id.*

Note 12: See Stef W. Knight, Exclusive: Government Can’t Reach One-in-Three Released Migrant Kids (Sept. 1, 2021), <https://www.axios.com/migrant-children-biden-administration-a597fd98-03a7-415c-9826-9d0b5aaba081.html>.

Note 13: See Camilo Montoya-Galvez, U.S. Shelters Received a Record 122,000 Unaccompanied Migrant Children in 2021, *CBS News* (Dec. 23, 2021), <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/immigration-122000-unaccompanied-migrant-children-us-shelters-2021/> (stating that nearly three-quarters of unaccompanied minors encountered at the border during the 2021 fiscal year were believed to be ages 15 to 17 and roughly two-thirds of the total were males); Kerry J. Byrne, The Number of Adult Migrants Posing as Children at Border Surging, *N.Y. Post* (Nov. 13, 2021), <https://nypost.com/2021/11/13/the-number-of-adult-migrants-posing-as-children-at-border-surging/> (reporting that about “30% of the MS-13 members arrested in recent years by ICE originally entered the U.S. as unaccompanied minors”); see also Written testimony of CBP U.S. Border Patrol Acting Chief of Carla Provost for a Senate Committee on the Judiciary hearing titled “The MS-13 Problem: Investigating Gang Membership As Well As Its Nexus to Illegal Immigration, and Assessing Federal Efforts to End the Threat”, Department of Homeland Security (June 21, 2017), <https://www.dhs.gov/news/2017/06/21/written-testimony-cbp-senate-committee-judiciary-hearing-titled-ms-13-problem#fn3>; Unaccompanied child immigration loophole releases MS-13 gang members, *AP News* (Jan. 13, 2019),

<https://apnews.com/article/5d2784fb7c909b43791d6aea63339a6c>.

Note 14: See Adam Shaw, Honduran Illegal Immigrant Charged with Murder Entered US Falsely Claiming to be Unaccompanied Minor: Report (Nov. 4, 2021), <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/honduran-illegal-immigrant-charged-murder-entered-us-unaccompanied-minor>. REASON FOR CONCLUDING THAT THE PROCEDURE IS FAIR UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES: The procedure is fair under the circumstances because the Emergency Rule ends the State's practice of facilitating the Federal Government's UAC resettlement program without terminating existing licenses or otherwise permanently foreclosing the issuance of licenses for UAC in the future. Instead, going forward, the State will require a meaningful cooperative agreement with the Federal Government, including a commitment to resume full enforcement of the immigration laws and to secure the border, before issuing or renewing licenses for housing UAC. (The same principle will apply for licenses to house URM, but there is a cooperative agreement with the Federal Government already in place.) In the meantime, existing licensees will not be permitted to add to their existing UAC population and will be subject to additional obligations to ensure the welfare and safety of the UAC whom they place with sponsors in Florida, but their existing licenses will not be cancelled.

SUMMARY: The Emergency Rule replaces existing Emergency Rule 65CER21-3 and addresses licensing requirements for any residential child-caring agency, child-placing agency, or family foster home seeking to provide services for UAC or URM. The Department has initiated rulemaking to create a new rule in Rule Chapter 65C-9, F.A.C. This rule provides that the resettlement of UAC or URM by the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) into Florida does not constitute "evidence of need" under section 409.175(5)(b)1, Florida Statutes, "to protect the health, safety, and well-being of all children in the state" cared for by residential child-caring agencies, § 409.175(1)(a), in the absence of a cooperative agreement between the State of Florida and the Federal Government. The Emergency Rule also prohibits existing licensees from adding to their UAC population and requires such licensees to conduct welfare checks of the UAC whom they place with sponsors in Florida.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RULE IS: Elizabeth Floyd. Elizabeth can be reached at Elizabeth.Floyd@myflfamilies.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE EMERGENCY RULE IS:

Substantial rewording of Rule 65CER21-3 follows. See Florida Administrative Code for present text. 65CER22-1

Standards for Unaccompanied Alien Children and Unaccompanied Refugee Minor Programs

(1) Any residential child-caring agency, child-placing agency, or family foster home, as those terms are defined in 409.175(2), F.S., seeking to provide services for Unaccompanied Alien Children (UAC) and Unaccompanied Refugee Minors (URM) must meet licensing requirements herein in addition to the program standards for the type of license sought.

(2) For purposes of section 409.175(5)(b)1, F.S., which requires "evidence of need" to obtain a license, and section 409.175(1)(a), F.S., which provides that the purpose of the licensure requirement is to "protect the health, safety, and well-being of all children in the state" who are cared for by residential child-caring agencies or family foster homes, or placed by child-placing agencies, the planned and organized resettlement of UAC or URM by the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services does not constitute evidence of need as required for issuance or renewal of a license for a residential child-caring agency, child-placing agency, or family foster home that seeks to provide services to such UAC or URM, unless such resettlement is governed by a cooperative agreement between the State of Florida and the United States Government. In the absence of such cooperative agreement, no license will be issued or renewed with respect to any residential child-caring agency, child-placing agency, or family foster home that applies to provide services for UAC or URM resettling to Florida, and any residential child-caring agency, child-placing agency, or family foster home providing such services under a current license to UAC or URM who have already resettled in Florida may not further place or take placement of any additional UAC or URM until a cooperative agreement is entered. For purposes of this rule, the term "resettlement" means the transportation of persons to Florida for the purpose of temporarily or permanently residing in Florida. The Department has no obligation to enter or renew a cooperative agreement with the United States Government for the resettlement of UAC or URM to Florida, and the Department may revoke or decline to enter or renew such agreement.

(3) The child-placing agency or residential child-caring agency, whichever is applicable, must ensure a contractual or grant agreement was executed between ORR and the child-placing agency or residential child-caring agency in order to provide care and services to UAC.

(4) The child-placing agency or residential child-caring agency, whichever is applicable, must ensure a contractual or grant agreement was executed between the U.S. Government and the State of Florida in order to provide care and services to URM.

(5) Care and supervision of UAC, URM, and dependent youth may not be provided in the same home or under the same license. The child-placing agency must ensure foster parents comply with this requirement.

(6) For a residential child-caring agency, the director and direct care staff must sign and comply with the plan applicable to the licensed setting. For a foster home, the child-placing agency must ensure the foster parents sign and comply with the plan applicable to the licensed setting. Residential child-caring agencies, child-placing agencies, or foster homes that provide services for UAC must use the “Plan for Unaccompanied Alien Children” Form, CF-FSP 5488, February 2022, incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14108>. Residential child-caring agencies, child-placing agencies, or foster homes that provide services for URM must use the “Partnership Plan for Unaccompanied Refugee Minors,” Form CF-FSP 5487, February 2022, incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14107>.

(7) The residential child-caring agency or child-placing agency, whichever is applicable, must conduct in-person welfare checks of any UAC that it places, or assists in placing, with a sponsor after the effective date of this rule to ensure each child’s safety and well-being.

(a) The welfare checks must be completed a minimum of once every six months until one of the following occurs:

1. The child reaches the age of 18;
2. The child permanently leaves Florida;
3. The child is removed from the United States;
4. The child is granted lawful immigration status; or
5. The residential child-caring agency or child-placing agency closes or is no longer licensed.

(b) The welfare checks must include:

1. Verifying the identity of the child through previously submitted photographs obtained by the child-placing or residential child-caring agency;
2. Taking a photograph of the child;
3. Looking for any unusual marks on visible parts of the body;
4. Speaking with the child about any issues he or she may be experiencing; and
5. Speaking with the caregiver about the child’s well-being and basic needs.

(c) The child-caring or child-placing agency must report the results of the welfare checks to the Department or, if applicable, the Florida Abuse Hotline as follows:

1. Suspected incidents of child abuse and neglect must be immediately reported to the Florida Abuse Hotline in accordance with Chapter 39, F.S.

2. If the welfare check does not reveal any of the incidents described in (7)(c)1. of this rule, then the report must be made no later than the fifth (5th) day of the month following the date the welfare check was conducted, e.g., if a welfare check is completed on January 15, then the report must be made no later than February 5. The report must include the following:

- a. Name of the child and date of birth.
- b. Date the welfare check was conducted.
- c. Name of the child’s caregiver.
- d. Location of the in-person welfare check.
- e. Statement affirming that there were no presenting issues or concerns.

f. Any indication that the child is no longer residing in or is temporarily relocated from the sponsor’s home, to include that the child has been determined to be missing or the child’s whereabouts are unknown.

(8) Any child-placing agency or residential child-caring agency that provides care to URM must adhere to all contractual and federal case management requirements when conducting in-person child welfare checks.

(9) The residential child-caring agency must ensure all direct care staff complete training hours on immigration in child welfare, cultural awareness, and human trafficking related topics, as outlined in section 4.3.6. of the Office of Refugee and Resettlement UAC Program Policy, March 11, 2019, incorporated by reference and available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13072>. The child-placing agency must ensure foster parents complete training hours outlined in 65C-45.002, F.A.C.

(10) The child-placing agency or residential child-caring agency must provide a copy of its education plan outlining how education will be provided.

(11) The child-placing agency or residential child-caring agency must develop policies and procedures on the administration and management of medication. A licensed health care provider must write or verbally order all nonprescription medications. Verbal orders must be documented in the child’s file. The residential child-caring agency or child-placing agency must align all health and safety policies with ORR guidelines.

(12) The child-placing agency or residential child-caring agency must notify the Department of any changes in the contract/grant agreement with ORR, and submit an updated copy, to include ORR’s decision to no longer utilize the facility.

(13) For purposes of this rule, the term “Unaccompanied Alien Child” has the same meaning as in 6 U.S.C. § 279(g)(2), and the term “Unaccompanied Refugee Minor” means an unaccompanied minor, as defined in 45 C.F.R. §400.111, who has met the federal eligibility standards for placement into the Unaccompanied Refugee Minor Program.

(14) This Emergency Rule will expire on March 9, 2022. This Emergency Rule replaces Emergency Rule 65CER21-3. Rulemaking Authority 409.175(5) FS. Law Implemented 409.175 FS.

THIS RULE TAKES EFFECT UPON BEING FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE UNLESS A LATER TIME AND DATE IS SPECIFIED IN THE RULE.
EFFECTIVE DATE: February 11, 2022

Section V Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver

DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT
Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission
RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
11B-35.002 Basic Recruit Training Programs for Law Enforcement, Correctional, and Correctional Probation
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 10, 2022, the Department of Law Enforcement, received a petition for permanent waiver of subsection 11B-35.002(6) by Matthew Schwall. Petitioner wishes to waive that portion of the rule that states: (a) Within four years of the beginning date of a Commission-approved Basic Recruit Training Program, an individual shall successfully complete the program, achieve a passing score on the applicable State Officer Certification Examination, and gain employment, and certification as an officer.
A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, P.O. Box 1489 Tallahassee, FL, 32302 or by telephone at (850)410-7676.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
64-4.213 MMTC Remediation
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on January 27, 2022, the Department of Health, received a petition for temporary waiver from Bill’s Nursery, Inc. The petition seeks a temporary waiver of subsection 64-4.213(3), F.A.C., which requires an MMTC to remediate a failed Retail Batch within thirty calendar days of submission of a Notice of Remediation to the department. Any interested person or other agency may submit written comments within 14 days after the publication of this notice to: Agency Clerk, Department of Health, Office of the General Counsel, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin A02, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1703 or by facsimile at (850)413-8743.
A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Breanne Ereckson, Department of Health, Office of Medical Marijuana Use, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin M-01,

Tallahassee, Florida 32399 or by email at breanne.erickson@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel
RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
64B3-5.002 Supervisor
The Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel hereby gives notice: of the issuance of an Order Denying the Petition for Variance or Waiver, filed on August 19, 2019, by Curtis Rice. The Notice of Petition for Waiver or Variance was published in Vol. 45, No. 165, of the August 23, 2019, Florida Administrative Register. Petitioner was seeking a waiver or variance of Rule 64B3-5.002, F.A.C. The Board considered the instant Petition at a duly-noticed public meeting held on September 6, 2019. The Board’s Order, filed on February 8, 2022, denied the petition stating that Petitioner did not meet the purpose of the underlying statute by other means and that the application of the rule to Petitioner did not create a substantial hardship or violate principles of fairness.
A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Joe Baker, Acting Executive Director, Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C07, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3257, (850)488-0595, or by electronic mail – Joe.Baker@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel
RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
64B3-5.003 Technologist
The Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel hereby gives notice: of the issuance of an Order Denying the Petition for Variance or Waiver, filed on August 19, 2019, by Martha Fahim. The Notice of Petition for Waiver or Variance was published in Vol. 45, No. 172, of the September 4, 2019, Florida Administrative Register. Petitioner was seeking a waiver or variance of Rule 64B3-5.003, F.A.C. The Board considered the instant Petition at a duly-noticed public meeting held on September 6, 2019. The Board’s Order, filed on February 8, 2022. The Board found that the Petitioner met the purpose of the underlying statute by other means and therefore voted to approve Petitioner’s application. The Board voted to deny the petition for variance or waiver as moot.
A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Joe Baker, Acting Executive Director, Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C07, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3257, (850)488-0595, or by electronic mail: Joe.Baker@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B3-5.004 Technician

The Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel hereby gives notice: of the issuance of an Order Denying the Petition for Variance or Waiver, filed on April 6, 2020, by Kim Donadio. The Notice of Petition for Waiver or Variance was published in Vol. 46, No. 77, of the April 20, 2020, Florida Administrative Register. Petitioner was seeking a waiver or variance of Rule 64B3-5.004, F.A.C. The Board considered the instant Petition at a duly-noticed public meeting held on June 12, 2020. The Board's Order, filed on June 24, 2020, denied the petition stating that Petitioner did not meet the purpose of the underlying statute by other means and that the application of the rule to Petitioner did not create a substantial hardship or violate principles of fairness.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Joe Baker, Acting Executive Director, Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C07, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3257., (850)488-0595, or by electronic mail: Joe.Baker@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B3-3.001 General Requirements of Clinical Laboratory Personnel Training Programs

The Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel hereby gives notice: of the issuance of an Order Denying the Petition for Variance or Waiver, filed on June 1, 2020, by Florida Cancer Specialists and Research Institute. The Notice of Petition for Waiver or Variance was published in Vol. 46, No. 109, of the June 4, 2020, Florida Administrative Register. Petitioner was seeking a waiver or variance of Rule 64B3-3.001, F.A.C. The Board considered the instant Petition at a duly-noticed public meeting held on June 12, 2020. The Board's Order, filed on June 24, 2020, denied the petition stating that Petitioner did not meet the purpose of the underlying statute by other means and that the application of the rule to Petitioner did not create a substantial hardship or violate principles of fairness.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Joe Baker, Acting Executive Director, Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C07, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3257., (850)488-0595, or by electronic mail: Joe.Baker@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B14-4.115 Requirements for Renewal of Residency

The Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists hereby gives notice: of the issuance of an Order regarding the Petition for Waiver or Variance, which was filed on January 6, 2021, by Brian Narin. Petitioner was seeking a waiver or variance from Rule 64B14-4.115, F.A.C., regarding requirements for renewal of residency. The Notice was published in Volume 47, No. 08, of the Florida Administrative Register, on January 13, 2021. The Board considered the instant Petition at a duly-noticed public virtual conference meeting held February 25, 2021. The Board's Order, filed on March 1, 2021, granted the petition finding that Petitioner had established that the purpose of the underlying statute is being achieved by other means and that application of the above rule would cause a substantial hardship for or violate the principles of fairness.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Kimberly Marshall, Executive Director, Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C08, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3258, (850)488-0595, or by electronic mail: Kimberly.Marshall@flhealth.gov.

Section VI

Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Division of Library and Information Services

The Department of State announces public meetings to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: All sessions are Eastern Time. February 28, 2022, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon; March 2, 2022, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.; March 7, 2022, 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.; March 8, 2022, 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.; March 11, 2022, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.; March 14, 2022, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.; March 16, 2022, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.; March 18, 2022, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

PLACE: Virtual platform, to register visit <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/6515071908655094542>.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Division of Library and Information Services is hosting virtual focus group sessions for Florida library community members. The information gathered in these sessions will be used for the development of the Five-Year Plan that guides federal spending.

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 five (5) days prior to the workshop/meeting by contacting (850)245-6604 or DLISINFO@dos.myflorida.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service at 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or

1(800)955-8770 (Voice). For the procedure on making a public comment during the meeting, please refer to the Division's Public Comment Policy. For more information, you may contact: DLISINFO@dos.myflorida.com or (850)245-6604.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

The Florida Public Service Commission announces a public hearing to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, March 1, 2022, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Docket No. 20210137-PU. This is a rule hearing that will take place as an item on the Commission's regularly scheduled agenda conference on March 1, 2022. The Commissioners of the Florida Public Service Commission will decide whether to make changes to Rule 25-18.010, F.A.C., Pole Attachment Complaints, which was proposed in the November 4, 2021 edition of the Florida Administrative Register, Volume 47, Number 215.

The contact person for this rule hearing is: Kathryn G.W. Cowdery, Office of General Counsel, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850, kcowdery@psc.state.fl.us, or at (850)413-6216.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate at this proceeding should contact the Office of Commission Clerk no later than five days prior to the hearing at 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850 or (850)413-6770 (Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8770 Voice or 1(800)955-8771 TDD). Assistive Listening Devices are available upon request from the Office of Commission Clerk, Gerald L. Gunter Building, Room 152.

If a named storm or other disaster requires cancellation of the proceedings, Commission staff will attempt to give timely direct notice to all known interested persons. Notice of cancellation will also be provided on the Commission's website (<http://www.psc.state.fl.us/>) under the Hot Topics link found on the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by calling the Office of the General Counsel at (850)413-6199.

REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Central Florida Regional Planning Council

The Heartland Regional Transportation Planning Organization announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 16, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: CareerSource Heartland, 5901 US Hwy 27 South, Suite 1, Sebring, FL 33870

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Regular meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to the Heartland Regional Transportation Planning Organization (HRTPO)

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Marybeth Soderstrom, Transportation Director, at 1(863)534-7130 ext. 134 or at msoderstrom@cfrpc.org.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Marybeth Soderstrom, Transportation Director, at 1(863)534-7130 ext. 134 or at msoderstrom@cfrpc.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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

REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Central Florida Regional Planning Council

The Heartland Regional Transportation Planning Organization announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 24, 2022, 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: CareerSource Heartland, 5901 US Hwy 27 South, Suite 1, Sebring, FL 33870

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Regular meeting of the Heartland Regional Transportation Planning Organization (HRTPO) Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Marybeth Soderstrom, Transportation Director, at 1(863)534-7130 ext. 134 or at msoderstrom@cfrpc.org.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Marybeth Soderstrom, Transportation Director, at 1(863)534-7130 ext. 134 or at msoderstrom@cfrpc.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

South Florida Water Management District

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

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, February 24, 2022, 1:30 p.m.,
Big Cypress Basin Board Meeting

PLACE: Collier County Board of County Commissioners
Chambers, 3299 Tamiami Trail East, 3rd Floor, Naples, FL
34112

Members of the public may participate and provide public
comment in-person or via Zoom, a media technology free for
the public to use. [https://sfwmd-
gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wjG1RCIkQk2A5pKQS4
Zi6A](https://sfwmd.gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wjG1RCIkQk2A5pKQS4Zi6A)

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This
is a public meeting of the Big Cypress Basin Board to discuss
and consider activities impacting the Big Cypress Basin of the
South Florida Water Management District.

The Big Cypress Basin 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.

The public and stakeholders will have an opportunity to view
and comment on the meeting in-person and via Zoom by
utilizing the following link: [https://sfwmd-
gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wjG1RCIkQk2A5pKQS4
Zi6A](https://sfwmd.gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wjG1RCIkQk2A5pKQS4Zi6A)

This link will go live at approximately 1:30 p.m. on February
24, 2022.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Lisa
Koehler at lkoehler@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, 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).

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For more information, you may contact: Lisa Koehler at
lkoehler@sfwmd.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

Office of Public and Professional Guardians

The Foundation for Indigent Guardianship announces a public
meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: March 8, 2022, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

PLACE: Microsoft Teams Meeting.

Join on your computer or mobile app by copying and pasting
the link below in your web browser:
[https://teams.microsoft.com/dl/launcher/launcher.html?url=%2F_%23%2F1%2Fmeetup-
join%2F19%3Ameeting_ZDU4ZDNmNTktNWJhZC00YWVklWJiOTEtNjJZDIxNTAyYjQ2%40thread.v2%2F0%3Fcontext%3D%257b%2522Tid%2522%253a%2522f75a7744-d4bf-
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b1c4a32e8a69&directDl=true&msLaunch=true&enableMobil](https://teams.microsoft.com/dl/launcher/launcher.html?url=%2F_%23%2F1%2Fmeetup-join%2F19%3Ameeting_ZDU4ZDNmNTktNWJhZC00YWVklWJiOTEtNjJZDIxNTAyYjQ2%40thread.v2%2F0%3Fcontext%3D%257b%2522Tid%2522%253a%2522f75a7744-d4bf-4623-8660-bcfa3569c2a0%2522%252c%2522Oid%2522%253a%25226c7b903-10d6-406a-86b5-b0263ee9aa9a%2522%257d%26CT%3D1644586244079%26OR%3DOutlook-Body%26CID%3D667A2B23-4605-4674-8B1B-19CC21D21EAE%26anon%3Dtrue&type=meetup-join&deeplinkId=adaccfc-f386-4de8-a030-b1c4a32e8a69&directDl=true&msLaunch=true&enableMobilePage=true&suppressPrompt=true)

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GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
Board of Directors updates relative to the Foundation for
Indigent Guardianship.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Charles
Alkire, via email at charles.alkire@verizon.net.

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Act, any person requiring special accommodations to
participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the
agency at least 2 days before the workshop/meeting by
contacting: OPPG at (850)414-2381. 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).

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION
Medicaid

The Medicaid Drug Utilization Review Board announces a
public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, March 24, 2022, 1:30 p.m. –
4:30 p.m.

PLACE: Zoom Webinar Only

Please click the link below to join the webinar:
[https://magellanhealth.zoom.us/j/96372983960?pwd=V1JNZI
ZpWHVZcnIvQWJFTU9MTGFQT09](https://magellanhealth.zoom.us/j/96372983960?pwd=V1JNZI ZpWHVZcnIvQWJFTU9MTGFQT09)

Or iPhone one-tap (US Toll): +13126266799,96372983960# or
+13017158592,96372983960#

Or Telephone:

Dial: (312)626-6799 (US Toll) or (301)715-8592 (US Toll)

1(833)548-0276 (US Toll Free)

1(833)548-0282 (US Toll Free)

1(877)853-5247 (US Toll Free)

1(888)788-0099 (US Toll Free)

Webinar ID: 963 7298 3960

International numbers available:
<https://magellanhealth.zoom.us/j/93822977397>
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This meeting involves review and approval of drug use criteria and standards for both prospective and retrospective drug use reviews; application of criteria and standards in the DUR activities; review and report results of drug use reviews; recommend and evaluate educational intervention programs. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Vern.Hamilton@ahca.myflorida.com.

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION
Medicaid
 The Medicaid Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
DATE AND TIME: Friday, March 25, 2022, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
PLACE: Zoom Webinar Only
 Please click the link below to join the webinar:
<https://magellanhealth.zoom.us/j/93822977397?pwd=ZjIzNzh2a0ZROHIMOVQRqb0hnakhMUT09>
 Or iPhone one-tap (US Toll): +13126266799,93822977397# or +16465588656,93822977397#
 Or Telephone:
 Dial: (312)626-6799 (US Toll) or (646)558-8656 (US Toll)
 1(888)788-0099, (US Toll Free)
 1(833)548-0276, (US Toll Free)
 1(833)548-0282, (US Toll Free)
 1(877)853-5247, (US Toll Free)
 Webinar ID: 938 2297 7397, Passcode: 724773
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Recommendations for inclusion or exclusion to the preferred drug list are made at this meeting. Members of the public who wish to testify at this meeting must contact Vern Hamilton at: Vern.Hamilton@ahca.myflorida.com The number of speakers is limited and selection is made by a lottery system. All interested parties must submit details on their speaker to Mr. Hamilton no later than February 28th to be considered for selection by lottery. Because of unforeseen events that may cause changes, please monitor the website at: http://www.ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/Prescribed_Drug/meetings.shtml.
 A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Vern.Hamilton@ahca.myflorida.com.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
Construction Industry Licensing Board
 The Construction Industry Licensing Board announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.
DATE AND TIME: Monday, March 7, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Telephone conference number: 1(888)585-9008, participant code: 564 952 647
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: CE/Exams/Public Awareness Committee of the Board.
 A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Donald Shaw, 2601 Blair Stone Rd, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1039, (850)717-1983.
 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: Donald Shaw, 2601 Blair Stone Rd, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1039, (850)717-1983. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).
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 For more information, you may contact: Donald Shaw, 2601 Blair Stone Rd, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1039, (850)717-1983.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
Construction Industry Licensing Board
 The Construction Industry Licensing Board announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.
DATES AND TIMES: Wednesday, March 9, 2022, 12:00 Noon; Thursday, March 10, 2022, 8:30 a.m.; Friday, March 11, 2022, 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: DoubleTree by Hilton Orlando East - UCF, 12125 High Tech Ave, Orlando, FL 32817, (407)275-9000
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General Business, disciplinary and committee meetings of the Board
 A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Donald Shaw, 2601 Blair Stone Rd, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1039, (850)717-1983.
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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Board of Pilot Commissioners

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

DATE AND TIME: February 21, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: 1(888)585-9008, participant code: 491089625

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Deputy Pilot Advancements.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Board of Pilot Commissioners, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850)717-1982.

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: Board of Pilot Commissioners, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850)717-1982. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Board of Pilot Commissioners, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850)717-1982.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Office of Medical Marijuana Use

The Office of Medical Marijuana Use announces CANCELLATION of a public meeting to which all persons were invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 15, 2022, 10:00 a.m. ET, CANCELLED

PLACE: Florida Department of Health, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Conference Room 301, Tallahassee, Florida 32399

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The previously noticed (FAR Volume 48, Issue 26) meeting of the negotiators to recommend award for ITN DOH 21-002 Medical Marijuana Seed-to-Sale Tracking System has been CANCELLED.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: No Agenda—Meeting CANCELLED

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Children's Medical Services

The Child Abuse Death Review Circuit 15 Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 24, 2022, 9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

PLACE: Microsoft Teams Meeting Link:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ZGUzNWViZTYtOWQ2NC00NThmLWFhMzgtNzJhNjc5M2MxODk0%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2228cd8f80-3c44-4b27-81a0-cd2b03a31b8d%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22ca176034-85e8-41db-a51e-cd3c5689b4f7%22%7d

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Committee will address administrative issues, review cases, and discuss the CADR Action Plan. A portion of the meeting is required by paragraph 383.412(3)(a), F.S. to be closed to the public to allow the Committee to discuss information that is confidential and exempt from public meetings and public records. This portion of the meeting will be announced at the meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: merlene.ramnon@flhealth.gov.

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

For more information, you may contact: merlene.ramnon@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Children's Medical Services

The Child Abuse Death Review Circuit 6 Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Meetings held 2nd Friday of each month beginning March 11, 2022, 9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

PLACE: Microsoft Teams Meeting Link:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ODBkZmE3MTktNDZhZi00YmM2LTk1NDMtOThjMDdiNzk5ZTgz%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22dc329d38-81cc-4adf-85e7-08e848a3f152%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%223f305c31-f300-4b3a-adac-851897197534%22%7d

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Committee will address administrative issues, review cases, and discuss the CADR Action Plan. A portion of the meeting is required by paragraph 383.412(3)(a), F.S. to be closed to the public to allow the Committee to discuss information that is

confidential and exempt from public meetings and public records. This portion of the meeting will be announced at the meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: ralbert@jwbpinellas.org.

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For more information, you may contact: ralbert@jwbpinellas.org.

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

The Florida Housing Finance Corporation announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 22, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 N. Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301

The meeting will also be available via webinar. The webinar registration and access information for the review committee meeting is posted to the following website: <https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/developers-multifamily-programs/competitive/2021/2021-204>.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Review Committee Meeting will held be to give the scores and to submit a recommendation to Florida Housing’s Board of Directors regarding the responses submitted for Florida Housing Finance Corporation’s RFA 2021-204 Housing Credit Financing for The Preservation of Existing Affordable Multifamily Housing Developments.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Rita Guzman at rita.guzman@floridahousing.org or (850)488-4197. 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: If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

The Florida Housing Finance Corporation announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 22, 2022, 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 N. Bronough Street., Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301

The meeting will also be available via webinar. The webinar registration and access information for the review committee

meeting is posted to the following website: <https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/developers-multifamily-programs/competitive/2022/2022-301>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Review Committee Meeting will held be to give the scores and to submit a recommendation to Florida Housing’s Board of Directors regarding the responses submitted for Florida Housing Finance Corporation’s RFA 2022-301 Housing Credit Financing for Affordable Housing Developments Located in Duval County.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Rita Guzman at rita.guzman@floridahousing.org or (850)488-4197. 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: Rita Guzman at (850)488-4197. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

The Florida Housing Finance Corporation announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 23, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 N. Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301

The meeting will also be available via webinar. The webinar registration and access information for the review committee meeting is posted to the following website: <https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/developers-multifamily-programs/competitive/2021/2021-206>.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Review Committee Meeting will held be to give the scores and to submit a recommendation to Florida Housing’s Board of Directors regarding the responses submitted for Florida Housing Finance Corporation’s RFA 2021-206 HOME Financing for The Construction of Small, Rural Developments.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Rita Guzman at rita.guzman@floridahousing.org or (850)488-4197. 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: Rita Guzman at (850)488-4197. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

The Florida Housing Finance Corporation announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 23, 2022, 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 N. Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, Florida 32301

The meeting will also be available via webinar. The webinar registration and access information for the review committee meeting is posted to the following website: <https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/developers-multifamily-programs/competitive/2022/2022-104>.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Review Committee Meeting will held be to give the scores and to submit a recommendation to Florida Housing’s Board of Directors regarding the responses submitted for Florida Housing Finance Corporation’s RFA 2022-104 SAIL Financing Farmworker and Commercial Fishing Worker Housing.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Rita Guzman at rita.guzman@floridahousing.org or (850)488-4197. 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: Rita Guzman at (850)488-4197. 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).

CAREERSOURCE FLORIDA

The CareerSource Florida Board of Directors announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 17, 2022, 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: virtual meeting

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: workforce issues

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Lisa Cramer at lcramer@careersourcecf.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 24 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: 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: Lisa Cramer

GULF COAST STATE COLLEGE

The Region II Trust Fund Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: March 31, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Florida Panhandle Technical College, Criminal Justice Academy, 757 Hoyt Street, Chipley, FL, (850)638-1180 ext. 6339

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Semi-Annual Region II Trust Fund Council Meeting

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Elizabeth Kelly at ekelly@gulfcoast.edu.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 2 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Elizabeth Kelly, (850)872-3878, ekelly@gulfcoast.edu. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Bruce Harber, Chair, (850)872-3878, bharber@gulfcoast.edu.

HIGHER EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY

The Florida Higher Educational Facilities Financing Authority announces a public meeting and hearing to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Monday, February 28, 2022, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

PLACE: The Offices of: The Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida, 542 East Park Avenue, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, and by teleconference at 1(800)719-7514, Conference Code 596984

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Consideration of a resolution authorizing:

The issuance of revenue bonds of the Authority in an aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$65,000,000 as follows:

Higher Educational Facilities Financing Authority Educational Facilities Revenue Bond (Barry University Project), Series 2022A, for the purpose of making a loan of funds to Barry University, Inc. (the "Borrower") in order to finance, refinance and reimburse the cost of the acquisition, construction and equipping of higher educational facilities of the Borrower in the State of Florida, to fund any necessary reserves, to capitalize interest and to pay the costs of issuance of such bonds;

Higher Educational Facilities Financing Authority Educational Facilities Revenue Bond (Barry University Project), Series 2022B, for the purpose of making a loan of funds to the Borrower in order to refinance the cost of the acquisition, construction and equipping of higher educational facilities of

the Borrower in the State of Florida and to pay the costs of issuance of such bonds; and

Higher Educational Facilities Financing Authority Educational Facilities Revenue Bond (Barry University Project), Series 2022C, for the purpose of making a loan of funds to the Borrower in order to refinance the cost of the acquisition, construction and equipping of higher educational facilities of the Borrower in the State of Florida and to pay the costs of issuance of such bonds;

Providing that such Bonds shall not constitute a debt, liability or obligation of the authority or the State of Florida or any political subdivision or agency thereof, but shall be payable solely from the revenues provided for in the Resolution and bond documentation;

Approving the forms, and authorizing the execution and delivery of financing agreements with the Borrower and the bondholder; approving the forms and authorizing the execution and delivery of Tax Regulatory Agreements with the Borrower; Approving the form of and authorizing the execution and delivery of a Forward Delivery Bond Purchase Agreement;

Authorizing the Chair or Vice Chair of the Authority to award the sale of the Bonds to the Bondholder described therein, and Approving the conditions and criteria of such sale; and providing certain other details in connection therewith.

Authorizing the appropriate officials and officers of the Authority to take all necessary further actions to authorize, sell and deliver the Barry University Series 2022 Bonds.

Consideration of the application of St. Thomas University (the University) for tax-exempt financing in the form of a direct purchase tax-exempt bank loan of up to \$50,500,000, the proceeds of which will be used to:

Refinance the University's existing Series 2009 Bond (which was issued by the Authority and proceeds of which were used to refinance prior debt and financing new capital expenditures on the University's campus (approximately \$21,900,000);

Refinance the University's obligations under an existing 2019 taxable bank loan, the proceeds of which were used to provide for improvements to the University's Gus Machado College of Business (approximately \$12,200,000);

Refinance the University's obligations under an existing capital lease by acquiring the leased facility, a dormitory (Murphy Hall) on the University's campus, (approximately \$5,300,000);

Finance new capital expenditures (approximately \$10,000,000); and

Fund transaction costs and pay the costs of issuance of the Series 2022 Bond (approximately \$500,000).

Conduct a public hearing to receive comments from the public on the proposed issuance by the Authority of its revenue bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$50,500,000 to finance and refinance the cost of higher education facilities

for St. Thomas University as further detailed in a separate public hearing notice.

Consideration of a resolution of the Authority expressing its intent and preliminary approval to issue bonds of the Authority of the purposes described above in one or more series in a maximum aggregate principal amount of \$50,500,000.

Any other matters that may come before the Authority.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Danie Griffin-Turner, Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida, 542 East Park Avenue, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, (850)681-3188.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the meeting by contacting: Danie Griffin-Turner, Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida, 542 East Park Avenue, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, (850)681-3188. 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).

INWOOD CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC.

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

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, February 22, 2022, 5:30 p.m.

PLACE: Virtually on GoTo Webinar; By phone at (562)247-8321 with passcode 597-075-213; and In-Person at Kenzie's at the Clubhouse, located at Mystic Dunes Resort and Golf Club
GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: A public meeting will be held regarding proposed improvements to Old Lake Wilson Road from County Road 532 to Sinclair Road (FPID no. 448781-1)

The purpose of this project is to evaluate the two lane to four lane widening of Old Lake Wilson Road, and adding bicycle and pedestrian features throughout the project corridor. The public meeting is being held to present information and receive community feedback.

Osceola County is offering multiple ways for the community to participate in the meeting.

Virtual Option: Interested persons may join the Virtual Public Meeting (VPM) 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: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7275344615321445389>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. Once registered, participants will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting online. Please note, Internet Explorer cannot be used to register or attend this webinar. If joining online, please provide adequate log-in time

to view the presentation in its entirety. The online presentation will begin at 5:35 p.m.

Phone Option (Listen Only): Participants may join the meeting in listen-only mode by dialing (562)247-8321 and entering the passcode 597-075-213 when prompted.

In-Person Option: Participants may attend in person by going to Kenzie's at the Clubhouse, located at Mystic Dunes Resort and Golf Club, 7600 Mystic Dunes Ln, Celebration, FL 34747. Please let the guard at the gate know that you are going to Kenzie's at the Clubhouse. Directional signs will be provided. If attending in person, please remember to follow all safety and sanitation guidelines, as well as adhere to any local ordinances. If you are feeling unwell, please consider attending the meeting virtually or by phone.

All meeting materials, including the presentation, will be available on the project website at www.ImproveOldLakeWilsonRoad.com prior to the meeting.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried-out by FDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016, and executed by FHWA and FDOT.

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 compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting Hind Huda by email at hind.huda@osceola.org or by telephone at (407)742-1208 or TTD: 1(800)955-8771.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Not applicable

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 (7) days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Joshua DeVries, AICP at (407)742-0565 or Joshua.DeVries@Osceola.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Osceola County Project Manager Joshua DeVries, AICP, by phone at (407)742-0565, by email at Joshua.DeVries@Osceola.org, or U.S. mail at Department of Transit and Transportation, Osceola County, 1 Courthouse Square, Kissimmee, FL 34741.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Florida Department of Health, Division of Emergency Preparedness and Community Support, has received the petition for declaratory statement from Osceola Regional Hospital, Inc., d/b/a Osceola Regional Memorial Center. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of DOH 2009-0023 as it applies to the petitioner.

Specifically, petitioner seeks a declaratory statement as to whether order DOH 2009-0023 applies to interfacility transport conducted by petitioner's licensed emergency medical service provider.

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Lori L. Jobe, Lori.Jobe@flhealth.gov. Please refer all comments to: Lori L. Jobe, Senior Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin A-02, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1700, Lori.Jobe@flhealth.gov, (850)245-4005.

Motions for leave to intervene must be filed with: Agency Clerk, Office of the General Counsel, Florida Department of Health, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin A-02, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1703, Wanda.Range@flhealth.gov, (850)245-4005, not later than 21 days after the date of publication of this notice.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Finance

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Florida Office of Financial Regulation has issued an order disposing of the petition for declaratory statement filed by Aero Payments, LLC. on December 21, 2021. The following is a summary of the agency's disposition of the petition: On 2/11/2022, a Final Order on the Petition was issued. The Office determined that Petitioner would not be a "money transmitter" pursuant to chapter 560, Florida Statutes, for the activities contemplated in Petitioner's proposed business model. **The original petition was published December 23, 2021 in the Florida Administrative Register Volume 47, Number 247.

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

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

Section VII

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Emergency Preparedness and Community Support

Section VIII
Notice of Petitions and Dispositions
Regarding the Validity of Rules

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

NONE

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

NONE

Section IX
Notice of Petitions and Dispositions
Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

NONE

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

NONE

Section XI
Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and
Purchasing

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Division of Recreation and Parks
BDC34-21/22 Barnacle State Park - Structural Improvements-
Marjory Stoneman Douglas Cottage
NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID: The Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Design and Construction is soliciting formal, competitive, sealed bids from contractors for bid number BDC34-21/22, Barnacle State Park – Structural Improvements - Marjory Stoneman Douglas Cottage. More info @ <https://tinyurl.com/bdh3b8b2>.

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., Monday, February 7, 2022 and 3:00 p.m., Friday, February 11, 2022.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
1B-2.011	2/7/2022	2/27/2022
33-602.210	2/9/2022	3/1/2022
59A-8.005	2/7/2022	2/27/2022
59A-26.002	2/7/2022	2/27/2022
59A-37.002	2/7/2022	2/27/2022
59A-37.007	2/7/2022	2/27/2022
64B2-12.005	2/8/2022	2/28/2022
64B2-12.015	2/8/2022	2/28/2022
64B2-12.017	2/8/2022	2/28/2022
64B2-12.018	2/8/2022	2/28/2022
64B6-2.002	2/10/2022	3/2/2022
64B6-7.007	2/10/2022	3/2/2022
64B6-7.008	2/10/2022	3/2/2022
64B8-13.005	2/10/2022	3/2/2022
64B15-13.001	2/10/2022	3/2/2022
65C-30.024	2/11/2022	3/3/2022
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
5K-4.020	12/10/2021	**/**/****
5K-4.035	12/10/2021	**/**/****
5K-4.045	12/10/2021	**/**/****
60FF1-5.009	7/21/2016	**/**/****
60P-1.003	12/8/2021	**/**/****
60P2.002	11/5/2019	**/**/****
60P-2.003	11/5/2019	**/**/****

62-600.405	11/16/2021	**/**/****
62-600.705	11/16/2021	**/**/****
62-600.720	11/16/2021	**/**/****
64B8-10.003	12/9/2015	**/**/****
69L-7.020	10/22/2021	**/**/****

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.

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

Medicaid

Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) Application

The Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) announces receipt of a Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) application.

APPLICANT ORGANIZATION: Kinship PACE of East Florida, LLC

COUNTIES APPLIED FOR: Brevard

DATE OF RECEIPT: December 8, 2021

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION: On December 08, 2021, the Agency received a PACE application from Kinship PACE of East Florida to serve eligible residents of Brevard County.

This notice replaces and corrects the notice titled “Kinship PACE of South Florida, LLC” published in Vol. 48/09 on January 13, 2022.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: Please contact the Bureau of Medicaid Policy at (850)412-4003 or at FLMedicaid_PACE@ahca.myflorida.com if you have questions or need additional information.

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

Medicaid

Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) Application

Medicaid

The Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) announces receipt of a Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) application.

APPLICANT ORGANIZATION: Kinship PACE of Central Florida, LLC

COUNTIES APPLIED FOR: Marion and Polk

DATE OF RECEIPT: January 12, 2022

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION: On January 12, 2022, the Agency received a PACE application from Kinship PACE of Central Florida to serve eligible residents of Marion and Polk Counties.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: Please contact the Bureau of Medicaid Policy at (850)412-4003 or at FLMedicaid_PACE@ahca.myflorida.com if you have questions or need additional information.