Section I

Notices of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER **SERVICES**

Division of Aquaculture

RULE CHAPTER TITLE: RULE CHAPTER NO .:

Comprehensive Shellfish	
Control Code	5L-1
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License and Fees	5L-1.005
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PURPOSE AND EFFECT: These amendments propose to implement shellfish processing plant facility certification license and fees, and administrative fines; change the statutory authority for the code from 370, F.S. to 597, F.S.; adopt the National Shellfish Sanitation Program Guide For The Control Of Molluscan Shellfish Model Ordinance 1999; add. clarify. and renumber some of the definitions; describe shellfish relaying for marine biotoxins and for public relay activities; further describe acceptable standards for lighting; require each certified dealer to have someone with adequate HACCP training, knowledge or experience to develop a HACCP plan; and replace the word should with shall in several sentences throughout the rule.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The proposed amendments are to implement authority granted to the Department by the 2000 session of the Florida legislature, and approved by the Governor, to license or certify, for a fee determined by rule, facilities used for processing oysters, clams, mussels, scallops, and crabs, and to levy an administrative fine up to \$1,000 per violation per day or to suspend or revoke such licenses or certificates upon satisfactory evidence of any violation of rules adopted pursuant to the newly created section 597.020, F.S. Additional amendments propose other miscellaneous changes to the rule.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 597.020 FS.

12, 2000

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 597.020, 597.010(15), 597.010(19)

RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS WILL BE HELD AT THE TIMES, DATES AND PLACES SHOWN BELOW: TIME AND DATE: 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, December

PLACE: Apalachicola National Estuarine and Research Reserve, 261 7th Street, Apalachicola, Florida

TIME AND DATE: 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Thursday, December 14, 2000

PLACE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Cedar Key Field Laboratory, 11350 Southwest 153rd Court, Cedar Key, Florida

TIME AND DATE: 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 19, 2000

PLACE: Charles E. Caniff Visitors Reception Center, 10941 Burnt Store Road, Punta Gorda, Florida

TIME AND DATE: 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 20, 2000

PLACE: Brevard County Public Library, 2121 South Hopkins Avenue, Titusville, Florida

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT IS: Bobby Bickley, Division of Aquaculture, 1203 Governors Square Boulevard, 5th Floor, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, Phone (850)488-5471

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

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Board of Education

RULE TITLE: RULE NO .:

Course Requirements - Grades 6-12 Basic

and Adult Secondary Programs 6A-1.09412

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this rule development is to make recommendations to the State Board of Education on the course requirements to be used in grades 6-12. The effect is to ensure instructional consistency in courses taught in these grades.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The subject to be addressed will be course requirements for grades 6-12 basic and adult secondary programs.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 229.565 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 229.565, 229.592, 230.23(7) FS.

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

Requests for the rule development workshop should be addressed to Wayne V. Pierson, Agency Clerk, Department of Education, Room 1702, The Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Barbara Elzie, Administrator, Curriculum Support Section, Division of Public Schools, 325 West Gaines Street, Room 444, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400, (850)488-1701

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

6A-1.09412 Course Requirements – Grades 6-12 Basic and Adult Secondary Programs.

A course description directs district personnel by providing the essential content and course requirements for each course in grades 6-12 contained in the "Course Code Directory and Instructional Personnel Assignments" adopted by Rule 6A-1.09441, FAC. Course requirements approved by the State Board of Education are contained in the publication "Course Descriptions for Grades 6-12 Basic and Adult Secondary Programs 2000-2001 1999-2000" which is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule to become effective with the 1999-2000 school year. "Course Descriptions for Grades 6-12 Basic and Adult Secondary Programs 1998" shall remain in effect until that time. District school boards of education are authorized, through local rules, to approve a variance of up to ten (10) percent of the course requirements of each course description. Copies of approved course descriptions may be obtained from the Division of Public Schools and Community Education, Department of Education, Turlington Building, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

- (1) District school board variance authority. District school boards of education are authorized, through local rules, to approve a variance of up to ten (10) percent of the course requirements of each course description.
- (2) Districts may elect to offer special topics courses in various subject areas as specified in the publication "Course Code Directory and Instructional Personnel Assignments." For each special topics course that is offered, districts are required to:
 - (a) create course titles,
 - (b) write course descriptions,
- (c) adopt district course student performance standards that incorporate the Sunshine State Standards, and
 - (d) receive approval from their district school board.
- (3) Commissioner of Education waiver authority. The Commissioner of Education may approve a school's waiver request submitted by a district school board to allow the school to substitute locally approved course requirements provided that locally approved course requirements specified for the state approved course adequately address the Sunshine State Standards and benchmarks contained in the course description

and the waiver request fulfills the provisions of and as submitted in accordance with procedures specified in Section 229.592. Florida Statutes.

Specific Authority 229.565 FS. Law Implemented 229.565, 229.592, 230.23(7), 233.165 FS. History–New 2-21-85, Formerly 6A-1.9412, Amended 1-29-86, 1-1-87, 9-6-88, 12-13-88, 12-11-89, 1-15-91, 2-20-92, 6-6-93, 10-18-94, 8-28-95, 5-14-96, 9-15-97, 10-13-98, 5-3-99.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Board of Education

RULE TITLE:

Requirements for Programs and Courses Which

Are Funded Through the Florida Education

Finance Program and for Which the Student may Earn Credit Toward

High School Graduation

6A-1.09441

RULE NO.:

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this rule development is to update the "Course Code Directory and Instructional Personnel Assignments" which is incorporated by reference within the rule. The effect is to provide public school personnel with an updated listing of all courses offered in the public elementary, secondary, vocational-technical, and adult schools of Florida including related teacher certification coverages.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The subject to be addressed will be courses to be offered in public schools throughout Florida and the related teacher certification coverages.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 236.081 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 236.081 FS.

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

Requests for the rule development workshop should be addressed to: Wayne V. Pierson, Agency Clerk, Department of Education, Room 1702, The Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Barbara Elzie, Administrator, Curriculum Support Section, Division of Public Schools, 325 West Gaines Street, Room 444, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400, (850)488-1701

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

6A-1.09441 Requirements for Programs and Courses Which Are Funded Through the Florida Education Finance Program and for Which the Student May Earn Credit Toward High School Graduation.

For student membership in a program or course to generate funding through the Florida Education Finance Program and for the student to receive elective or required credit toward high school graduation for such a program or course, the following conditions shall be met:

- (1) The program in which the student is in membership shall be one of the programs listed in Section 236.081(1)(c), Florida Statutes.
- (2) The course or program in which the student is in membership shall be an educational activity which constitutes a part of the instructional program approved by the district school board.
- (3) The student shall be under the supervision of an instructional staff member as defined in Rule 6A-1.0501, FAC.
- (4) The course or program shall be listed in the "Course Code Directory and Instructional Personnel Assignments 1999-2000" for the year in which the student is in membership, except as provided in subsection (5) of this rule.
- (5) Each district school board may approve special topics courses using course numbers provided in the Course Code Directory. Each special topic course must include as part of its requirements the appropriate Sunshine State Standards.

(5)(6) The "Course Code Directory and Instructional Personnel Assignments 2000-2001 1999 2000" is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule-to become effective with the 1999-2000 school year. The "1998-1999 Course Code Directory and Instructional Personnel Assignments" shall remain in effect until that time. The Commissioner may publish the document in appropriate and useful formats such as printed copy, electronic database access, or electronic disc. The directory may be obtained from Division of Public Schools and Community Education, Department of Education, Turlington Building, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. The Commissioner of Education may approve additional courses for which funding could be generated through the Florida Education Finance Program. Such additional course listings will be made available as approved.

Specific Authority 229.053(1) FS. Law Implemented 229.592, 232.246, 236.081, 240.40202 FS. History–New 12-20-83, Formerly 6A-1.9441, Amended 2-6-86, Amended 12-28-86, 4-4-88, 12-13-88, 12-11-89, 1-15-91, 2-20-92, 7-13-93, 10-18-94, 8-28-95, 4-19-96, 7-17-97, 8-12-98, 5-3-99,

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

UNDOCKETED

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.:

Interconnection of Small Photovoltaic Systems 25-6.065 PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To prescribe operating, safety, and insurance requirements to interconnect a small photovoltaic system to an investor-owned electric utility.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Small photovoltaic system requirements for interconnection.

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

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 366.04(2)c),(5),(6), 366.05(1), 366.81 FS.

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

TIME AND DATE: 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, January 10, 2001 PLACE: Betty Easley Conference Center, Room 180, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Florida

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Lee Colson, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0862, (850)413-6682

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

- 25-6.065 Interconnection of Small Photovoltaic Systems.
- (1) A small photovoltaic system (SPS) is a solar generating system capable of producing no more than 10 kW peak rated output from solar energy and is primarily intended to offset part or all of a customer's current electricity requirements.
- (2) Prior to operating an SPS in parallel with the host utility, a customer must:
- (a) Demonstrate to the utility compliance with IEEE-929-2000 (Recommended Practice for Utility Interface of Photovoltaic (PV) Systems) before interconnection. Additionally, the customer must also demonstrate compliance with UL-1741 (Standard for Safety for Static Inverters and Charge Controllers for Use in Photovoltaic Power Systems) and installation in accordance with applicable local codes and the National Electric Code, NFPA 70.
- (b) Install, at a location specified by the utility, a manual disconnect switch of the visible load break type to provide a separation point between the SPS and the utility's system. The switch shall be mounted separate from the meter socket and shall be readily accessible to the utility and be capable of being locked in the open position with a utility padlock. The utility may reserve the right to open the switch, isolating the SPS, without prior notice to the customer. To the extent practicable, however, prior notice shall be given.
- (c) Maintain and provide to the interconnecting utility proof of a general liability insurance policy for personal and property damage in the amount of no less than \$100,000. A standard homeowner's policy in at least this amount shall be deemed suitable to meet this requirement.

- (3) Any one of the following conditions shall be cause for disconnection:
- (a) Utility system emergencies or maintenance requirements:
- (b) Hazardous conditions existing on the SPS generating or protective equipment as determined by the utility:
- (c) Adverse effects of the SPS to the utility's other electric consumers or system as determined by the utility; or
- (d) Failure of the customer to maintain the required insurance.
- (4) The utility shall have the right to inspect the SPS and its component equipment to ensure compliance with the standards contained in subsection (2). The utility shall, within a reasonable time, inspect and approve the interconnection system after verification of compliance with the standards contained in subsection (2). The utility has the right to have personnel present at the initial testing of customer equipment and protective apparatus. The SPS shall not begin parallel operations until written approval is given by the utility and such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- (5) It is the responsibility of the customer who operates an SPS to protect its generating equipment, inverters, protection devices, and other system components from damage from the normal and abnormal conditions and operations which occur on the utility system in delivering and restoring system power.
- (6) The utility shall have the option of installing at its own expense an additional meter on the customer's premises capable of measuring any excess kilowatt-hours produced by the SPS and delivered back to the utility. The value of such excess generation shall be credited to the customer's bill based on the average monthly fuel charge and variable operating and maintenance expenses as provided for under the COG-1 tariffs. Alternatively, the utility shall have the option to permit the customer to net meter any excess power delivered to the utility by use of a single standard watt-hour meter capable of reversing directions to offset recorded consumption by the customer. If the energy produced by the SPS exceeds the customer's load for any billing period, then in no event shall the customer be paid for excess energy delivered to the utility.

<u>Specific Authority 350.127(2), 366.05(1) FS. Law Implemented 366.04(2)(c),(5),(6), 366.05(1), 366.81 FS. History–New</u>

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

UNDOCKETED

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.: Depreciation 25-30.140

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Definitions are added to clarify the meaning of terms used in the process of analyzing depreciation in order to assure both capital recovery and reasonable rates. New accounts are added to provide for depreciation relating to investment in new types of equipment and to bring the list of accounts into accord with NARUC. The specific directions for computation of depreciation expense are proposed to clearly

show the appropriate method for calculation of depreciation expense for a monthly period. Section (3) is changed to clarify that utilities may implement guideline rates without specific Commission approval and to remove language that appeared to conflict. Section (4)(a) and (b) are changed to remove the reference to depreciation rates to eliminate confusion with (3). Subsection (3) will address rates and (4) will address reserve activity. Section (9) is changed to clarify and specify how utilities shall maintain CIAC records. The prior wording was confusing as to what the actual requirements were. The prior wording stated that a utility must maintain adequate records to account for CIAC but then subsequently had provisions for utilities that did not maintain adequate records. The new wording separates reporting requirements for Class A and B from Class C utilities.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Accounting for depreciation.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 350.127(2), 367.121(1) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 350.115, 367.081(2), 367.121(1) FS. IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE TIME, DATE AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

TIME AND DATE: 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, December 6, 2000 PLACE: Room 182, Easley Building Conference Center, Room 182, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Florida

THE WORKSHOP REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING BY DECEMBER 4, 2000 TO CHRISTIANA T. MOORE, DIVISION OF APPEALS, 2540 SHUMARD OAK BOULEVARD, TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399-0850

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT IS: Jeanette Sickel, Division of Economic Regulation, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0862, (850)413-6461, jsickel@psc.state.fl.us

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

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.: Substance Abuse Program Services –
Determination of Need 33-507.201

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule is to clarify procedures relating to inmates who either object to or refuse substance abuse programming. The effect is to clarify that inmates who object to or refuse substance abuse programs on the basis of religious content shall not be subject to disciplinary action; however, inmates who refuse an alternative substance abuse program which is non-deity, cognitive and behavioral modification based shall be subject to discipline.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Substance abuse program services.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 397.754, 944.09 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 397.754, 944.09 FS.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT IS: Giselle Lylen Rivera, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2500

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

- 33-507.201 Substance Abuse Program Services Determination of Need.
- (1) Upon arrival at a Department of Corrections' reception center for initial processing, each inmate shall be screened and assessed to determine if the inmate meets the department's criteria for mandated substance abuse program participation.
- (2) Criteria for mandated substance abuse program services shall be based upon:
- (a) The presence of a diagnosed psychoactive substance dependence or use disorder;
 - (b) The severity of the addiction;
- (c) A history of criminal behavior related to substance abuse:
- (d) A sentencing authority recommendation for substance abuse program services;
- (e) Unsuccessful participation in community-based substance abuse services;
 - (f) Sentencing by a Drug Court or Drug Division;
- (g) Other classification or program criteria as determined by the department to ensure security and optimal program placement.
- (3) When, in accordance with criteria established in (2), it is determined that an inmate is in need of substance abuse program services, he or she shall be assigned a priority ranking for services based upon these criteria and shall be placed into available programs or placed on a waiting list for future assignment to a program.

- (4) Priority ranking for assignment shall be maintained for all inmates and updated at least monthly. Prioritization ranking shall also be based upon length of sentence remaining to be served, and readiness for program services.
- (5) If an inmate refuses to participate in mandatory substance abuse program services, the classification officer shall ensure that this refusal is documented on Form DC5-705, Statement of Refusal to Participate in Substance Abuse Program Services. Form DC5-705 is hereby incorporated by reference. Copies of this form are available from the Forms Control Administrator, Office of the General Counsel, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2500. Requests for copies to be mailed must be accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope. The effective date of this form is July 1, 2000. Inmates who refuse to participate in mandated substance abuse services shall be subject to disciplinary action.
- (a) Inmates who object to or refuse substance abuse programming on the basis of religious content will be given the opportunity to complete a "Request/Consent for Alternative Programming," form DC5-713. Form DC5-713 is hereby incorporated by reference Copies of this form may be obtained from the Forms Control Administrator, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Corrections, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2500. The effective date of the form is ______.
- (b) Inmates shall not be subject to disciplinary action for objection to or refusal of a traditional substance abuse program; however, inmates who refuse an alternative substance abuse program which is non-deity, cognitive and behavioral modification based shall be subject to disciplinary action upon refusal of the alternative substance abuse program.
- (6) Inmates discharged from substance abuse programs due to program rule violations, violation of institutional rules, or behavioral management problems shall be subject to disciplinary action.
- (7) Inmates who refuse to participate in mandated program services shall be removed from the priority listing until such time as the inmate agrees to participate in the substance abuse program mandated.
- (8) Inmates shall only be subject to disciplinary action when a program slot is available and the inmate refuses to enter or participate in the program.
- (a) If an inmate recants an earlier refusal to participate in a mandated program, he or she shall be returned to the priority listing and the priority ranking shall be recalculated.
- (b) When a program slot becomes available, the inmate shall be considered for placement into the substance abuse program. Inmates entering a substance abuse program after refusal or who are re-admitted to a program after administrative discharge per (6) of this rule shall be considered at the time of program entry for restoration of incentive gain time in accordance with rule 33-601.105.

(10) Inmates shall not be denied access to substance abuse program services on the basis of race, gender, ethnicity, age, sexual preference, human immunodeficiency virus status, prior treatment departures against professional advice, disability or number of relapse episodes.

Specific Authority 397.754, 944.09 FS. Law Implemented 397.754, 944.09 FS. History–New 1-18-95, Formerly 33-37.003, Amended 7-1-00._______.

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

South Florida Water Management District

RULE CHAPTER TITLE: RULE CHAPTER NO.: Minimum Flows and Levels 40E-8

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect of the rule development is to establish minimum flows and levels by January, 2001 for Lake Okeechobee, the Everglades (which includes the freshwater regions of Everglades National Park, Water Conservation Areas, and the Holeyland and Rotenberger Wildlife Management Areas), the Biscayne Aquifer in Southeastern Florida, the Lower West Coast Aquifers, and the Caloosahatchee River, in accordance with Chapter 373, Florida Statutes

SUBJECT AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED: Minimum flows and levels.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 373.042, 373.044, 373.113, 373.171 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 373.042, 373.0421 FS.

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

TIME AND DATE: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., December 8, 2000 PLACE: Pompano Beach Civic Center, East Banquet Room, 1801 N. E. 6th Street, Pompano Beach, FL 33060

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: For technical issues contact, Scott Burns (internet: sburns@sfwmd.gov), or Cecile Ross (internet: cross@sfwmd.gov) at South Florida Water Management District, Post Office Box 24680, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680, telephone 1(800)432-2045. For procedural issues contact: Julie Jennison, South Florida Water Management District, Post Office Box 24680, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680, telephone 1(800)432-2045, Extension 6294 or (561)682-6294 (internet: <u>jienniso@sfwmd.gov</u>). Although Governing Board meetings, hearings and workshops are normally recorded, affected persons are advised that it may be necessary for them to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which any appeal is to be based. Persons with disabilities or handicaps who need assistance may contact Tony Burns, District Clerk, (561)682-6206, at least two business days in advance to make appropriate arrangements.

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION Health Facility and Agency Licensing

RULE CHAPTER TITLE: RULE CHAPTER NO.: Minimum Standards for Home

Medical Equipment 59A-25

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this rule amendment is to update the rule, including rule reduction, changes and language clarification. Rule reduction includes deletion of entries in the definition, licensure requirements, minimum qualifications for personnel, and compliance sections. Language is added or changed in the definition section to define a distribution center and a warehouse. Language is added or changed in the licensure requirement section to identify providers that require a license and the providers that are exempt from licensure. Warehouses and distribution centers would be licensed under the auspices of the licensed provider. The option of utilizing a financial schedule to document financial ability to operate is added. In addition, the rule amendment requires a physical location to be maintained in Florida, and includes clarification of survey exemption and change of ownership procedures. Language is added or changed to clarify scope of services to include that warehouses and distribution centers must be manned at least 1 hour per day. Language is added or changed in the compliance section regarding the requirement to have at least one type of inventory at the time of survey, to clarify requirements for an acceptable plan of correction, for screening contracted employees and identifies specific fines.

SUBJECT AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED: Minimum Standards for Home Medical Equipment Providers.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 400.93, 400.931, 400.933, 400.934, 400.935, 400.953, 400.956 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Part X of Chapter 400 FS.

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

TIMES AND DATE: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon; 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., December 11, 2000

PLACE: Agency for Health Care Administration, 2728 Mahan Drive, Building 3, Conference Room C, Tallahassee, Florida THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Monteen Spooner or Jan Mills, Agency for Health Care Administration, Home Care Unit, 2727 Mahan Drive, Bldg. 1, Room 204, Tallahassee, FL 32308, (850)414-6010

Agendas and copies of the initial draft rule amendment can be obtained by contacting this office after December 1, 2000.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Board of Architecture and Interior Design

RULE TITLES:	RULE NOS.:
General Responsibility	61G1-25.001
Definitions	61G1-25.002
Qualification Program for Special Inspectors	
of Threshold Buildings	61G1-25.003
Common Requirements to All Architects	
Providing Threshold Building	

Inspection Services 61G1-25.004 PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes to promulgate a new rule chapter with four new rules which will address the general responsibility, definitions, inspectors of threshold buildings, and common requirements to all architects providing threshold building inspection services. Rule 61G1-25.003 was filed on November 9, 2000 as an emergency rule (61G1ER00-1).

SUBJECT AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED: General responsibility; definitions; qualification program for special inspectors of threshold buildings, and common requirements to all architects providing threshold building inspection services. SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 481.2055, 481.225(2), 481.225 FS. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 481.213(7) FS.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT IS: Sherry Landrum, Executive Director, Board of Architecture and Interior Design, 1940 North Monroe Street, Northwood Centre, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0750

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

61G1-25.001 General Responsibility.

Architects offering Threshold Building Inspection services pursuant to Section 553.79, F.S. shall provide inspections in accordance with the structural inspection plan provided by the engineer or architect of record to insure compliance with permitted documents. In addition to inspections in accordance with the structural inspection plan, the architect will inspect the shoring and reshoring for conformance with shoring and reshoring plans submitted to the enforcing agency.

Specific Authority 481.2055, 481.225, 481.225(2) FS. Law Implemented 481.213(7) FS. History–New

61G1-25.002 Definitions.

- (1) Threshold Building Inspector: A licensed architect who meets the qualifications and standards set by this Rule Chapter.
- (2) Authorized Representative: A representative of the Threshold Building Inspector who undertakes inspections and site visits under the responsible charge of the Threshold Building Inspector.
- (3) Structural Inspection Plan: The plan filed for public record by the engineer of record to the enforcing agency to provide specific inspection procedures and schedules.
- (4) Shoring and Reshoring Plan: The plan submitted by the engineer of record to the enforcing agency regarding the shoring and reshoring of the building.

<u>Specific Authority 481.2055, 481.225(2), 553.79(5)a.-d. FS. Law Implemented 481.213(7) FS. History–New</u>

- <u>61G1-25.003 Qualification Program for Special Inspectors of Threshold Buildings.</u>
- (1) The minimum qualifying criteria for Special Inspectors of Threshold Buildings, also referred to as Threshold Inspectors, established by the Board shall be as follows:
- (a) Proof of current licensure in good standing an architect in the State of Florida.
- (b) Three years of experience in performing structural field inspections on at least three threshold type buildings. This experience must be within ten calendar years preceding submission of the application.
- (c) Self-certification as to the competency of the applicant to perform structural inspections on threshold buildings.
- (2) All licensed architects who are certified Special Inspectors and on the Roster of Special Inspectors maintained by the Department of Community Affairs, pursuant to rule 9B-3.043, F.A.C., as of June 30, 2000 shall be qualified pursuant to this rule and shall continue to be certified Special Inspectors of threshold buildings.
 - (3) Applications.
- (a) The instructions and application form for Special Inspector, Form BOAID/TBI/11/00 is hereby incorporated by reference, effective , entitled "Special Inspector Application and Instructions". Copies of Form BOAID/TBI/11/00 may be obtained from the Board by writing to the Florida Board of Architecture and Interior Design, 1940 N. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0766.
- (b) All applications for certification as a Special Inspector shall be submitted to the Board on Form BOAID/TBI/11/00 by mailing to the address listed above along with an initial certification fee of \$100.
- (c) Applications shall contain the following basic information pertaining to the applicant:
 - 1. Name;
 - 2. Address;
 - 3. Phone number;

- 4. Florida license number;
- 5. Educational and experience dates and sufficient description of each to clearly demonstrate that the minimum qualification criteria has been met:
 - 6. Name and address of current employer;
- 7. Letters of recommendation from three licensed architects in the State of Florida, one of whom must be certified as a Special Inspector;
- 8. The signature, date and seal by the applicant attesting to the competency of the applicant to perform structural inspections on threshold buildings; and
 - 9. Completed form BOAID/TBI/11/00.
- (d) Upon a determination that the application contains all of the information requested by these rules, review of the application shall be scheduled for consideration by the Board. Such applications may be approved, rejected or deferred for further information by the Board. If the Board defers an application for additional information, it shall notify the applicant of the information needed. Applicants shall be notified in writing of the Board's actions as soon as practicable and, in the case of rejected applications, the Board shall set forth the reasons for such rejection.
- (4) Roster of Special Inspectors. The Board shall maintain a roster of all persons certified as Special Inspectors pursuant to the criteria established in these rules and the law. The roster shall be made available to interested parties upon request. The roster shall be updated on a continuing basis and additions or deletions to the latest published roster may be verified by contacting the Florida Board of Architecture and Interior Design.

<u>Specific Authority 481.2055, 481.225(2), 481.225 FS. Law Implemented 481.213(7) FS. History–New</u>

<u>61G1-25.004 Common Requirements to All Engineers</u> <u>Providing Threshold Building Inspection Services.</u>

- (1) For each Threshold Building, a notice shall be filed for public record, bearing the name, address, signature, date and seal of the Special Inspector, certifying that the Special Inspector is competent to provide the services for the specific type of structure.
- (2) Threshold Building Inspectors utilizing Authorized Representatives shall maintain responsible supervisory conrol over the representative pursuant to Chapter 61G1-23, F.A.C.
- (3) Threshold Building Inspectors shall be in responsible charge of the work of the Authorized Representative, including reviewing reports and spot checks.
- (4) Threshold Building Inspectors shall institute quality assurance procedures to include but not be limited to requiring unscheduled visits, utilization or relevant check lists, use of a Daily Inspection Report and insuring that the Inspector or the Authorized Representative is at the project whenever so required by the inspection plan.

<u>Specific Authority 481.2055, 481.225(2), 481.225 FS. Law Implemented 481.213(7) FS. History–New</u>

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Acupuncture

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.: Continuing Education Requirements 64B1-7.0015

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed changes to the current rule will add a requirement that course work related to the safe and beneficial use of laboratory test and imaging findings must be included in the continuing education taken by acupuncturist for purposes of renewal of their license.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Continuing Education Requirements.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 457.104, 457.107, 457.108, 455.2226 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 457.107, 457.108, 457.109, 455.2226, 457.271 FS.

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

TIME AND DATE: 9:00 a.m., December 1, 2000

PLACE: Holiday Inn, 1355 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32301

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: William Buckhalt, Executive Director, Board of Acupuncture, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C06, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3256

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

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

RULE TITLE:

LPN Supervision in Nursing Home Facilities
64B9-14.004

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes the development of a rule to address licensed practical nurses supervising other LPNs, certified nursing assistants and other unlicensed personnel in nursing home facilities.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: LPN supervision in nursing home facilities.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 400.23(3)(c) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 400.23(3)(c) FS.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT IS: Dr. Ruth R. Stiehl, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 4080 Woodcock Drive, Suite 202, Jacksonville, Florida 32207

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

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

RULE CHAPTER TITLE: RULE CHAPTER NO.: Certified Nursing Assistants 64B9-15 RULE TITLE: RULE NO.:

Disciplinary Guidelines 64B9-15.005

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes the development of a rule to address disciplinary guidelines for certified nursing assistants.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Disciplinary guidelines for CNAs.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 464.204 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.072, 464.204 FS.

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

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

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists

RULE CHAPTER TITLE: RULE CHAPTER NO.: Fees 64B14-2

Application, Examination and Initial

RULE TITLE:

Licensure Fees 64B14-2.0015

RULE NO.:

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Department proposes amendments to this Rule revising existing fees. Also, technical changes are made to update statutory references.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Application, examination and initial licensure fees.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 456.004(5), 456.013(2), 468.803(1)(a) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.013(2), 468.803(2)(a) FS.

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

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 calendar days before the workshop/meeting by contacting Ms. Sherra W. Causey, Professional Regulation

Specialist II, (850)245-4444, Ext. 3617. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency by calling 1(800)955-8770 (Voice) and 1(800)955-8771 (TDD).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Joe R. Baker, Jr., Executive Director, Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists/MQA, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C07, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3257

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

64B14-2.0015 Application, Examination and Initial Licensure Fees.

The following fees are established by the Department:

- (1) An applicant for licensure by state examination shall remit an application fee of \$300 \$100, an examination fee of \$175 \$100, and an initial licensure fee of \$200 \$100 at the time the application is submitted.
- (2) An applicant for licensure without state examination shall remit an application fee of \$300 \$200 and an initial licensure fee of \$200 \$100 at the time the application is submitted.
 - (3) No change.

Specific Authority <u>456.004(5)</u>, <u>456.013(2)</u> <u>455.521(5)</u> <u>455.564(2)</u>, 468.803(2)(a) FS. Law Implemented <u>456.013(2)</u> <u>455.564(2)</u>, 468.803(2)(a) FS. History–New 9-22-98. <u>Amended</u>

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.: Definitions 68A-1.004

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect of the proposed rule development is to provide definitions for language in rules of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Subject areas covered in the proposed rule include rule language definitions. SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const.

A HEARING ON THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSION'S REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC MEETINGS AT THE TIMES, DATES AND PLACES TO BE PUBLISHED IN FUTURE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLYS.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Tim Breault, Division of Wildlife, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE AVAILABLE AND CAN BE OBTAINED FROM: James V. Antista, General Counsel, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)487-1764.

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.:

Quota Hunt Permits and Special-Opportunity

Permits – Application; Selection; Issuance 68A-5.005 PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purposes and effects of the proposed rule development is to establish or revise procedures for application, selection, or issuance of quota hunt or special-opportunity hunt permits.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Subject areas covered in the proposed rule includes the application, selection and issuance of Quota Hunt Permits and Special-opportunity Permits.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const.

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FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE TITLES: RULE NOS.:

Permits for Hunting or Other Recreational

Use on Type I Wildlife Management Areas 68A-9.004 Special-use Permits; Short-term Use Permits;

Fees; Special-opportunity Hunting and Fishing 68A-9.007 PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purposes and effects of the proposed rule development is to establish or revise provisions for administering recreational use permits and related fees on Type I Wildlife Management Areas and to establish provisions for administering special-use permits, short-term use permits, special-opportunity hunting and fishing permits, and any related fees.

SUBJECT AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED: Subject areas covered in the proposed rule includes Special-use Permits; Short-term Use Permits; Fees; Special-opportunity Hunting and Fishing; and Recreational Use Permits.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const. LAW IMPLEMENTED: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const.

A HEARING ON THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSION'S REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC MEETINGS AT THE TIMES, DATES AND PLACES TO BE PUBLISHED IN FUTURE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLYS.

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FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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RULE TITLES:	RULE NOS.:
Open Season for Taking Game; Bag and	
Possession Limits	68A-13.001
Migratory Birds; Adoption of Federal Statutes	
and Regulations	68A-13.002
Hunting Regulations for Ducks, Geese,	
and Coots	68A-13.003
Open Season for Taking and Bag Limits for	
Non-Migratory Game and Issuance of	
Antlerless Deer Permits to	
Private Landowners	68A-13.004
Hunting on National Wildlife Refuges	68A-13.006
Hunting Regulations on Public Small-Game	
Hunting Areas	68A-13.007
Hunting Regulations for Migratory Birds	
Other than Ducks and Coots	68A-13.008
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PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purposes and effects of the proposed rule development is to (1) establish open seasons, bag limits and possession limits for taking game; (2) establish hunting regulations for ducks, geese, coots, and other migratory birds; (3) provide for adoption of Federal statutes and regulations pertaining to migratory birds and hunting on National Wildlife Refuges; (4) establish hunting regulations for public small-game hunting areas; and (5) provide for the issuance of antlerless deer permits to private landowners.

SUBJECT AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED: Subject areas covered in the proposed rules include regulations for taking game including waterfowl and other migratory birds, issuance

of antlerless deer permits to private landowners, public small-game hunting area regulations, adoption of Federal statutes and regulations, and hunting on National Wildlife Refuges.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const. LAW IMPLEMENTED: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const. A HEARING ON THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSION'S REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC

MEETINGS AT THE TIMES, DATES AND PLACES TO BE PUBLISHED IN FUTURE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLYS.

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FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE TITLE: RULE NO.: Establishment Orders 68A-14.001

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purposes and effects of the proposed rule development is to make reference to Commission Establishment Orders that (1) establish land as Type I or Type II wildlife management areas, wildlife and environmental areas, refuges, bird sanctuaries, restricted hunting areas, critical wildlife areas, fish management areas, miscellaneous areas, or wild hog areas, (2) adjust acreage of said lands; and (3) make technical changes to Establishment Orders.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The subject area to be addressed is establishment orders for wildlife management areas, wildlife and environmental areas, refuges, bird sanctuaries, restricted hunting areas, critical wildlife areas, fish management areas, miscellaneous areas, or wild hog areas.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const. A HEARING ON THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSION'S REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC MEETINGS AT THE TIMES, DATES AND PLACES TO BE PUBLISHED IN FUTURE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLYS.

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RULE TITLES:	RULE NOS.:
General Regulations Relating to Type I	
Wildlife Management Areas	68A-15.004
Quota Permits; Antlerless Deer Permits	68A-15.005
Regulations Relating to Miscellaneous Areas	68A-15.006
Specific Regulations for Type I Wildlife	
Management Areas - South Region	68A-15.061
Specific Regulations for Type I Wildlife	
Management Areas - Northeast Region	68A-15.062
Specific Regulations for Type I Wildlife	
Management Areas - Northwest Region	68A-15.063
Specific Regulations for Type I Wildlife	
Management Areas – Everglades Region	68A-15.064
Specific Regulations for Type I Wildlife	
Management Areas – Central Region	68A-15.065

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purposes and effects of the proposed rule development is to (1) establish or revise general regulations relating to Type I Wildlife Management Areas (WMA); (2) establish or adjust hunter quotas for Type I WMAs; (3) establish or modify specific area regulations for Type I WMAs; and (4) adjust hunting season dates on Type I WMAs to conform with proposed 2000-2001 hunting season dates for the appropriate hunting zone.

SUBJECT AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED: Subject areas covered in the proposed rules include general regulations, quota hunt permits, hunting season dates and specific area regulations pertaining to Type I WMAs.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const. LAW IMPLEMENTED: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const.

A HEARING ON THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSION'S REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC MEETINGS AT THE TIMES, DATES AND PLACES TO BE PUBLISHED IN FUTURE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLYS.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Tim Breault, Division of Wildlife, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600

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RULE TITLES: RULE NOS.:

General Regulations Relating to Type II

Wildlife Management Areas 68A-16.004

Specific Regulations on Type II Wildlife

Management Areas 68A-16.005

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purposes and effects of the proposed rule development is to (1) establish general regulations relating to Type II Wildlife Management Areas (WMA); (2) establish or modify specific area regulations for Type II WMAs; and (3) adjust hunting season dates on Type II WMAs to conform with proposed 2000-2001 hunting season dates for the appropriate hunting zone.

SUBJECT AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED: Subject areas covered in the proposed rules include hunting season dates, general regulations and specific area regulations pertaining to Type II WMAs.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const.

A HEARING ON THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSION'S REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC MEETINGS AT THE TIMES, DATES AND PLACES TO BE PUBLISHED IN FUTURE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLYS.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Tim Breault, Division of Wildlife, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE AVAILABLE AND CAN BE OBTAINED FROM: James V. Antista, General Counsel, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)487-1764.

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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RULE TITLE: RULE NO.:

General Regulations Relating to Wildlife

and Environmental Areas 68A-17.004

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule is to reduce the incidence of vandalism and loitering and increase public safety at Split Oak Mitigation Park and Hickey Creek Mitigation Park.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Subject area covered in this proposed rule involves the establishment of open and closed hours for public access.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

A HEARING ON THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSION'S REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC MEETINGS AT THE TIMES, DATES AND PLACES TO BE PUBLISHED IN FUTURE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLYS.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Mike Allen, Office of Environmental Services, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE AVAILABLE AND CAN BE OBTAINED FROM: James V. Antista, General Counsel, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)487-1764.

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RULE TITLES: RULE NOS.:

General Regulations Relating to Wildlife

and Environmental Areas 68A-17.004

Specific Regulations on Wildlife

and Environmental Areas 68A-17.005

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purposes and effects of the proposed rule development is to (1) establish general regulations relating to Wildlife and Environmental Areas (WEA); (2) establish or modify specific area regulations for WEAs; and (3) adjust hunting season dates on WEAs to conform with proposed 2000-2001 hunting season dates for the appropriate hunting zone.

SUBJECT AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED: Subject areas covered in the proposed rules include hunting season dates, general regulations and specific area regulations pertaining to WEAs.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const.

A HEARING ON THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSION'S REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC MEETINGS AT THE TIMES, DATES AND PLACES TO BE PUBLISHED IN FUTURE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLYS.

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RULE TITLE: RULE NO.:

General Regulations Relating to

Wild Hog Areas 68A-21.004

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purposes and effects of the proposed rule development is to establish or revise rule provisions associated with general regulation of wild hog areas.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Subject areas covered in the proposed rules include general regulation of wild hog areas.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const.

A HEARING ON THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSION'S REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC MEETINGS AT THE TIMES, DATES AND PLACES TO BE PUBLISHED IN FUTURE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLYS.

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RULE TITLES:	RULE NOS.:
General Provisions for Taking, Possession and	
Sale of Reptiles	68A-25.002
Taking and Disposal of Nuisance	
Alligators Statewide	68A-25.003
Regulations Governing the Operation of	
Alligator Farms	68A-25.004
Regulations Governing Alligator Egg and	
Hatchling Collections on Lands Not	
Included in Alligator Management	
Programs on Private Lands	68A-25.031
Regulations Governing the Establishment of	
Alligator Management Programs on	
Private Lands	68A-25.032
Regulations Governing Statewide Alligator	
Trapping, Permitting, Taking and Sale	68A-25.042
Regulations Governing the Processing of	
Alligators and the Sale of Alligator	
Meat and Parts	68A-25.052

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purposes and effects of the proposed rule development is to establish regulations for taking and possessing alligators that will ensure conservation of alligator populations while providing for realization of their potential aesthetic, recreational, and economic values.

SUBJECT AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED: Requirements for taking and possessing alligators and other reptiles.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const. LAW IMPLEMENTED: Article IV, Section 9, Fla. Const.

A HEARING ON THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSION'S REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC MEETINGS AT THE TIMES, DATES AND PLACES TO BE PUBLISHED IN FUTURE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLYS.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Mr. Timothy A. Breault, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600

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FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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RULE TITLES:	RULE NOS.:
Procedures for Listing, Delisting and	
Reclassifying Endangered, Threatened	
and Species of Special Concern	68A-27.0012
Designation of Candidate Species;	
Prohibitions, Permits	68A-27.0021
Designation of Endangered Species;	
Prohibitions; Permits	68A-27.003
Designation of Threatened Species;	
Prohibitions, Permits	68A-27.004
Designation of Species of Special Concern;	
Prohibitions; Permits	68A-27.005
PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose as	nd effect of the
proposed rules are to add species to, reclassify species, and/or	
remove species from the Candidate Spec	ies, Endangered
Species, Threatened Species and Species of	Special Concern
lists.	
SUBJECT AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED): Subject areas
covered in the proposed rules include listing	g, delisting, and
reclassifying species to the Candidate Spec	cies, Endangered
Species, Threatened Species and Species of	Special Concern
lists.	
SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Article IV, Section	9, Fla. Const.
LAW IMPLEMENTED: Article IV, Section 9	, Fla. Const.

A HEARING ON THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSION'S REGULARLY SCHEDULED PUBLIC MEETINGS AT THE TIMES, DATES AND PLACES TO BE PUBLISHED IN FUTURE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLYS.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Tim Breault, Division of Wildlife, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE AVAILABLE AND CAN BE OBTAINED FROM: James V. Antista, General Counsel, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)487-1764.

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FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Marine Resources

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PURPOSE AND EFFECT: This Rule establishes the procedures for disbursement of Marine Turtle Grants to coastal local governments, educational institutions, and Florida-based nonprofit organizations to conduct marine turtle research, conservation, and education activities within the state. Such grants should promote understanding and conservation of Florida's threatened and endangered marine turtles.

SUBJECT AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED: Creation of a Marine Turtle Grants program. This Rule describes the composition of the Marine Turtle Grants Committee, which will review and approve applications for Marine Turtle Grants,

lists the requirements and procedures for submitting grant applications and specifies the criteria for allocating available funds.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS.

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

TIME AND DATE: 6:00 p.m., December 7, 2000

PLACE: Auditorium, Room #272, Ferris Bryant Building, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT IS: Dr. Robbin Trindell, OES-BPS, FWC, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)922-4330 (Trinder@gfc.state.fl.us).

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

68E-2.001 Intent.

This rule establishes procedures for disbursement of marine turtle grants to coastal local governments, educational institutions, and Florida-based nonprofit organizations to conduct marine turtle research, conservation, and education activities within the state in accordance with the intent of the Legislature. This Chapter contains the requirements and procedures for submitting grant applications and the criteria for allocating available funds.

<u>Specific Authority 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. Law Implemented 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. History–New</u>

68E-2.002 Definitions.

In addition to applicable definitions in Rule 68B-55, Florida Administrative Code, the following words, phrases, or terms as used in this rule shall have the following meaning:

- (1) "Commission" means the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.
- (2) "Committee" means the Marine Turtle Grants Committee, a group of at least seven members, including two nongovernmental representatives, appointed by the Executive Director of the Commission.
- (3) "Conservation" means an act carried out primarily for the purpose of protecting marine turtles, nests, and hatchlings or protecting the nesting beach or foraging habitat of any marine turtle.
- (4) "Educational facility" means public or non-public colleges, universities, nature centers, museums, zoos, aquariums, or similar institutions. Educational facilities must be regularly opened to the public for the primary purpose of providing an educational experience.

- (5) "Education" means to exhibit, inform and instruct the public in the biology, habitat, or conservation needs of marine turtle species.
- (6) "Local government" means any coastal county, municipality, community development district, or special taxing district within those counties.
- (7) "Marine turtle" means any marine-dwelling reptile of the families Cheloniidae or Dermochelyidae found in Florida waters or using the beach as nesting habitat, including the species: Caretta caretta (loggerhead), Chelonia mydas (green), Dermochelys coriacea (leatherback), Eretmochelys imbricata (hawksbill), and Lepidochelys kempi (Kemp's ridley). For purposes of this rule, marine turtle is synonymous with sea turtle.
- (8) "Marine Turtle Permit" means an authorization to conduct scientific, conservation, or educational activities involving marine turtles within or originating from Florida, issued pursuant to the provisions of Florida Administrative Code Chapter 68E-1.
- (9) "Peer Review" means the critical assessment of a document or proposal to verify that it clearly contributes to the conservation and protection of marine turtles, their nests, hatchlings, and nesting and foraging habitats, meets the appropriate standards and criteria for scientific studies and includes valid scientific methods.

<u>Specific Authority 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. Law Implemented 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. History–New</u>

68E-2.003 Availability of Funds.

- (1) Funds generated by the sale of the Sea Turtle License Plate in excess of \$500,000, and up to 30 percent of the total annual revenue, shall be distributed to eligible entities as grants as described in this Rule.
- (2) All grant funds not disbursed during the fiscal year shall return to the trust fund and shall be made available for the grants program the following fiscal year.
- (3) The Commission shall administer the Marine Turtle Grant Program any year that at least \$50,000 in grant funds is available from the previous fiscal year.

<u>Specific Authority 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. Law Implemented</u> 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. History–New

68E-2.004 Marine Turtle Grant Committee.

- (1) The Marine Turtle Grant Committee (Committee) is established within the Commission to consider and choose grant recipients from proposals submitted by eligible entities. The Committee shall serve at the pleasure of the Executive Director and shall consist of seven members with technical knowledge and expertise in the research and management of marine turtles, their nests, hatchlings, or habitats.
- (2) The Executive Director shall appoint two members from federal agencies responsible for management or research activities involving marine turtles; two members from nongovernmental organizations with marine turtle interests,

- including at least one member representing a Florida-based nonprofit organization involved in marine turtle conservation; and three additional members.
- (3) Initial appointments shall be for three, three-year terms; two, two-year terms; and two, four-year terms. Thereafter, all appointments shall be for two-year terms. If a vacancy occurs, a member shall be appointed for the remainder of the unexpired term. A member whose term has expired may continue sitting on the council with full rights until a replacement has been appointed. At its first meeting, the Committee shall select a chair and vice-chair to serve two-year terms by majority vote.
- (4) Committee members shall not receive any compensation from the Commission pursuant to subsection 370.12(1)(h), Florida Statutes. Travel reimbursement shall be made in accordance with applicable state guidelines.

<u>Specific Authority 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. Law Implemented 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. History–New</u>

68E-2.005 Eligibility Criteria.

- (1) Coastal local governments, educational institutions, and Florida-based nonprofit organizations that actively participate in marine turtle research, conservation, and education activities within the state and that are accredited in accordance with subsection 370.12(1)(c)3., Florida Statutes, are eligible to apply for grant funds.
- (2) Any grantee that has not returned any unexpended or unaccounted-for funds from prior year grant agreements to the Commission or has not met their obligations under the terms of any previous grant agreements shall not be considered eligible for funding under this Rule.
- (3) All funding requests shall be for conservation, education or research projects that clearly add to the conservation of marine turtles; that accomplish goals identified by the state; that accomplish tasks included in the current recovery plans for marine turtles; and that are consistent with subsection 370.12(1)(c), Florida Statutes.
- (4) The following types of activities are considered eligible for funding through the Marine Turtle Grant program.
- (a) Protection of marine turtles and their hatchlings from harmful lights and predators on the nesting beach.
- 1. Replacement or modification of existing lights that directly or indirectly illuminate the beach or create a glow that is visible from the beach or have been documented as contributing to marine turtle disorientations.
- 2. Installation of shields, light barriers, tinted glass or other structures that reduce or restrict the amount and direction of lights that directly or indirectly illuminate the beach or create a glow that is visible from the beach.

- (b) Development, production, and distribution of educational materials and programs that promote the understanding of the life history and habitat needs of Florida's marine turtles and the protection and conservation of these species.
- (c) Research directly related to the conservation of marine turtles. Such research shall provide information for the improvement of existing management strategies to protect marine turtles and may include assessments of coastal lighting; beach nourishment; coastal armoring and other shoreline protection structures; in-water distributions, developmental habitats, and migration patterns; rehabilitation of injured or diseased marine turtles; epidemic diseases, including fibropapillomatosis; fishing gear; and general life history information.
- (d) Assistance for statewide nesting beach surveys and Index Nesting Beach Surveys, including materials and supplies.
- (e) Assistance for the statewide stranding network, including material and supplies.
- <u>Specific Authority 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. Law Implemented 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. History–New</u>.

68E-2.006 General Grant Application Requirements.

- (1) The Commission may decide to solicit grant proposals on specific topics from the public by advertising requests for proposals in the Florida Administrative Weekly at least two months prior to the closing date for application submittal.
- (2) Marine Turtle Grant applications and supporting documentation may be submitted between October 1 and November 15 to the Commission's Tallahassee headquarters. All application materials must be received no later than November 15 and shall include all information specified in this Rule.
 - (3) Each application shall include the following:
- (a) A scope of work for the proposed action, project or study, including a complete explanation of how funds will be spent:
- (b) A list of all measurable objectives and an explanation of how the project will directly promote the conservation and protection of marine turtles, their nests, hatchlings or nesting and foraging habitat:
- (c) A description of methods that can be used to evaluate success of the action, project or study;
- (d) A timetable for the development and implementation of the action, project, or study specifying submittal of deliverables; and
- (e) A list of all persons responsible for conduct of the action, project or study, and a description of their experience, including a résumé or curriculum vitae if available, clearly identifying the qualifications of the principal investigator and all personnel associated with the project and their specific experience with marine turtles.

- (4) All research proposals must include a description of sampling methodologies and statistical analyses.
- (5) All research proposals must include a copy of an approved Florida Administrative Code Chapter 68E-1, Marine Turtle Permit for that specific research. Peer review comments, if available, shall be submitted with the application to expedite review.

<u>Specific Authority 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. Law Implemented 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. History–New</u>

68E-2.007 Approval Criteria and Procedures.

- (1) All proposals shall be checked for eligibility, form, content and legality by Commission staff. After November 15, staff shall seek only such additional information from the applicant as required to complete the Marine Turtle Permit application process pursuant to Chapter 68E-1, F.A.C.
- (2) Staff shall prepare eligible projects, including staff review, for consideration by the Committee. Complete proposal packages shall be forwarded to Committee members by February 1, who shall meet and rank the proposals by March 15.
- (3) When ranking projects, Committee members shall consider the following:
- (a) The scope of the proposed activity (high priority for the project with the most benefit for the conservation of marine turtles);
- (b) The duration of the proposed activity (higher priority for shorter term projects that deliver results within the first year):
- (c) The relative contribution of the proposed activity to the state's marine turtle protection goals, objectives and policies (higher priority for those projects that meet more of state's goals);
- (d) The relevance of the proposed activity to the recovery plans for marine turtles (higher priority for projects that are high priority in recovery plans):
- (e) Qualifications and the demonstrated ability of applicant to accomplish the proposed activity;
- (f) Demand and public support for the proposed activity (highest priority for greatest demonstrated support):
- (g) The estimated cost of the activity (higher priority for most benefit from least cost); and
- (h) The availability of more appropriate alternative funding (low priority for ongoing or funded projects).
- (4) For research projects requiring two fiscal years, the Committee's approval of the project shall result in funds from the following fiscal year being reserved prior to any new projects being approved.
- (5) The Executive Director shall review the list of projects recommended for funding by the Committee, ensure each proposal is consistent with state law and execute final grant agreements for projects based on available appropriations by the Legislature.

<u>Specific Authority 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. Law Implemented 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. History–New</u>

68E-2.008 Disbursement of Funds.

- (1) Upon receipt of the grant applications recommended for funding by the Committee, staff shall determine the exact amount of the grant award based on available funds and prepare a grant agreement.
- (2) The grant agreement will be forwarded to the applicant to be signed by a legal representative, notarized, and returned to the Commission to be signed by the Executive Director.
- (3) Grant funds shall be disbursed as outlined in the grant agreement upon receipt of an invoice documenting progress by the grantee. Deliverables shall be included with the invoice as outlined in the grant agreement.
- (4) The grant period for all projects shall commence on July 1 of the fiscal year following grant approval. Individual projects shall start upon execution of the grant agreement, and conclude on June 30 of that fiscal year. Research projects that are authorized for funding during two fiscal years shall be accomplished by amending grant agreements, subject to legislative appropriations.

<u>Specific Authority 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. Law Implemented</u> 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. History–New

68E-2.009 Recordkeeping.

Each grantee shall maintain accurate records of all expenditures of grant funds and shall assure that these records are available at all reasonable times for inspection, review or audit by Commission personnel. Records shall be kept by the grantee for at least three years after completion of the grant agreement.

<u>Specific Authority 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. Law Implemented 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. History–New</u>

68E-2.010 Reporting Requirements.

- (1) Each invoice submitted for payment shall include a report detailing work accomplished, work pending, work still to be done, and any problems encountered.
- (2) Quarterly progress reports shall be submitted by September, December, and March 15th for each year a project is funded. Progress reports will be a one-page summary, describing the status of the project, results to date, work still to be done and any issues or problems encountered.
- (3) A final report shall be submitted by June 15 for each project. This report shall include the following:
 - (a) The project objectives;
 - (b) Methods used to implement the project:
- (c) A summary of project results, including deliverables as appropriate, data summaries, etc.

- (d) A discussion of the project, including whether the objectives were achieved, the contribution of the project to marine turtle conservation and protection, recommendations for future work, and copies of draft or published manuscripts, artwork, etc.
- (4) One electronic and ten printed copies of all materials prepared using Marine Turtle Grant funds shall be provided to the Commission within 30 days of production or publication.

<u>Specific Authority 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. Law Implemented 320.08058(19), 370.12(1)(h) FS. History–New</u>

Section II Proposed Rules

DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND FINANCE

Board of Funeral and Cemetery Services

RULE TITLE:

RULE NO.:

Alternative Form of Security for Permanent

Outer Burial Receptacle Manufacturers 3F-7.0125 PURPOSE AND EFFECT: This rule is being amended to be consistent with the statute. "Outer Burial Container" is now defined in subsection (29) and to correct the statute referencing financial statements from 497.23(10)-(13) to 497.423(10)-(13). SUMMARY: This rule sets forth, pursuant to statute, a definition of permanent outer burial receptacle and alternative forms of security available in connection with the sale of permanent outer burial receptacles sold to preneed sellers.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COST: No Statement of Estimated Regulatory Cost was prepared.

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

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 497.103, 497.337(2)(c) FS. LAW IMPLEMENTED: 497.337(2)(c) FS.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE NOTICED IN THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLY.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Diana M. Evans, Executive Director, Board of Funeral and Cemetery Services, 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0350

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

- 3F-7.0125 Alternative Form of Security for Permanent Outer Burial Receptacle Manufacturers.
- (1) Pursuant to sections 497.423(9) and 497.337(2)(c), Florida Statutes, manufacturers of permanent outer burial receptacles shall be permitted to utilize the alternative form of