

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

November 18, 2003

SUBJECT: Institutional Licensure Rule 6E-2.002

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For approval.

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

This rule is duly submitted for final approval by the State Board of Education, as required by Section 1005.22(1)(e)1, Florida Statutes.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Rule 6E-2.002, F.A.C., Institutional Licensure establishes the approval requirements of a license by means of accreditation. The rule is amended to authorize the Commission to delegate to the Executive Director the authority to return institutions to their previous status between Commission meetings. Since, under this rule, the institutions can be returned to their previous status only after they have complied with express conditions set by the Commission, the Executive Director will only be carrying out the Commission's directives, not setting the standards. Paragraph (3)(b) is amended to clarify that an institution applying for a License by Means of Accreditation must present required documentation to the Commission to establish their qualifications. Paragraph (3)(c) is amended to create a new subsection to differentiate what action the Commission will take to "Evaluate" whether the "Requirements" in paragraph (3)(b) have been met and to reorganize the rule to move the language regarding the evaluation of fair consumer practices and possible unresolved complaints from the part of the rule relating to evidence that must be presented by the applicants since the evaluation of fair consumer practices and possibly unresolved complaints is not limited to evidence supplied by the applicants.

The amendment of the rule has been approved by the Commission of Independent Education at the meeting held on July 28, 2003, following a rules committee meeting that took public comment on June 28, 2003. The rule has been properly noticed in the Florida Administrative Weekly.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed amended Rule 6E-2.002 F.A.C. Institutional Licensure.

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