

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Consent Item

April 18, 2006

SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-4.0021, FAC., Florida Teacher Certification Examinations.

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval.

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ACTION

1012.56, Florida Statutes

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Section 1012.56(8), F.S., requires the State Board of Education to specify, by rule, the examination scores required for the issuance of a professional certificate and temporary certificate. Such rules must define examination competencies and must establish uniform evaluation guidelines.

State Board of Education Rule 6A-4.0021, FAC, fulfills the above requirement by providing a description, by reference, of the competencies and skills to be assessed. These competencies and skills are included in the document *Competencies and Skills Required for Teacher Certification in Florida*. As changes to subject area competencies are made, a new edition of this document must be developed and incorporated, by reference, into the rule.

At this time, an amendment is requested to adopt the eleventh edition of the *Competencies and Skills* document and to specify the effective dates for the implementation of the new competencies and skills. Once approved, this new edition of the document will be made available to examination candidates.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed amendment to Rule 6A-4.0021, FAC, Florida Teacher Certification Examinations

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