

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

May 20, 2003

SUBJECT: Rule 6A-3.0141, Employment of School Bus Drivers

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Adopt revised rule.

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Sections 1001.02, 1006.22, 1012.45, and 316.615, Florida Statutes

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The proposed revisions to Rule 6A-3.0141, FAC, relating to required annual medical examinations of Florida public school bus drivers, are to update the current physical examination form, consistent with recently updated Federal regulations contained in Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations. The federal regulations specifying the content and format of the form are adopted for Florida public school bus drivers by reference in State Board of Education Rule, as required by Section 1012.45, Florida Statutes.

The changes to the existing form (Form ESE 479) include additional space for physicians to write comments; other format changes, and an updated expiration date.

The proposed form is consistent with the content of the existing form and with the newer format of similar forms used under the federal regulations within the commercial truck and bus industry. The revisions, therefore, ensure familiarity with the form and its procedures by medical examiners and consistency with current Federal regulations.

Supporting Documentation Included:

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