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Approval of Action Item #7 – Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program

Rule 6A-20.028, Florida Administrative Code

House Bill 461 – Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program, Student Service Requirements

- Allowed students graduating in the 2022-23 academic year and thereafter, to use 100 paid work hours to satisfy the volunteer service hour requirements for each of the four awards in the Bright Futures Scholarship Program.
- This change expands scholarship eligibility and access to postsecondary education opportunities, particularly for students who may have to work throughout school to support their family.

Proposed Amended Rule

- Amends each section in the rule referencing volunteer service hours to also include paid work hours.
- Specifies that volunteer hours and paid work hours are separate paths to satisfy the service hours eligibility requirement and they cannot be combined.
- Removes unnecessary language which restates Florida statutes describing test score requirements and language defining the Bright Futures CAPE award eligibility.



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