

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Action Item
December 14, 2022

SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-1.0017, School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting (SESIR)

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Section 1006.07(9), F.S., requires that the State Board of Education adopt rules establishing the requirements for the school environmental safety incident report or SESIR.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SESIR is a reporting system that districts must use to report disruptive or criminal incidents to the Department so that the data can be used to meet federal and state reporting requirements. The Office of Safe Schools provides training and technical assistance to districts and schools on the proper reporting of SESIR data. This data is used by districts to design and evaluate interventions to provide a safe learning environment.

In the 2019 legislative session, the Department was directed to adopt rules establishing the requirements for SESIR reporting, (Senate Bill 7030, 2019-22, Laws of Florida.) On February 12, 2020, Governor DeSantis, by letter directed the Department to finalize rulemaking to improve reporting challenges on SESIR.

The State Board of Education approved the initial SESIR rule at the May 13, 2020, meeting; the rule was revised in June 2021 to clarify six SESIR definitions. Today's update addresses changes to SESIR reporting requirements that originated with the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Commission's establishment of a SESIR Workgroup. The Workgroup identified updates to incident definitions in order to improve data quality and recommended changes to promote consistency in reporting across districts. This update also incorporates rule revisions recommended by the Twentieth Statewide Grand Jury.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Rule 6A-1.0017, F.A.C.

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