STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Consent Item

March 22, 2023

SUBJECT: Approval of Repeal of Rule 6M-4.204, Eligibility for Three-and Four-year-old Children Who may not be Economically Disadvantaged But Who Have Been Served in a Specific Part-time or Combination of Part-time Exceptional Education Programs With Required Special Services, Aids, or Equipment, and Were Previously Reported for Funding Part-Time With the Florida Education Finance Program as Exceptional Students

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Repeal

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Section 1001.213(2), F.S.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Rule 6M-4.204, F.A.C., established initial eligibility for care for school readiness services for children age three and four years old with special needs concurrently enrolled in an exceptional student education funded program. It also established reimbursement for School Readiness (SR) providers caring for children with special needs. The rule is being repealed as the language is obsolete. Children with special needs are eligible to receive SR services under s. 1002.87(1)(c), F.S., and Rule 6M-4.200, F.A.C. SR providers are reimbursed for full-time or part-time care authorized by a coalition under Rule 6M-4.500, F.A.C. Eligible SR providers may also receive a differential for the care of children with special needs under Rule 6M-4.500, F.A.C.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Rule Repeal 6M-4.204, F.A.C.

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