STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Action Item

July 19, 2023

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.

Today's update addresses changes to SESIR reporting requirements that originated with House Bill 543 which requires the State Board of Education to identify which SESIR incidents must be reported to law enforcement.

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

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