

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Action Item
August 23, 2023

SUBJECT: Approval of New Rule 6A-14.00612, Designation of Restrooms and Changing Facilities in Florida College System Institution Facilities

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Sections 553.865(16), 1000.05(6)(a), 1001.02(1), (2)(n), F.S.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The new rule will implement HB 1521 passed during the 2023 legislative session creating section 553.865, Florida Statutes, prohibiting persons from willfully entering a restroom or changing area of the opposite sex, except in certain specified circumstances. The new rule will require reporting compliance requirements for postsecondary institutions by which institutions will certify to the Department that they have met the requirements for facilities and disciplinary actions for students and employees who violate the new provisions. The rule also establishes disciplinary actions that Florida College System institutions must implement for instructional and administrative personnel who violate the new provisions.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Rule 6A-14.00612, F.A.C., and Form FCS-SPSA, Safety in Private Spaces Act

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