

Approval of New Rule 6A-6.0792, F.A.C., Charter School Review Commission

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Charter School Review Commission

- This new rule:
 - Provides an alternate venue for a prospective charter school operator to seek approval for an application, thereby expediting a charter school's ability to operate and provide a high-quality education to students.
 - Reduces workload of school districts.
 - Increases high-quality public school options for students.



Charter School Review Commission

- The 2022 Legislature created the Charter School Review Commission within the Department of Education. The Commission will have the same power and duties as other charter school sponsors regarding the review and approval of charter schools.
- If the Commission approves a charter school application, the district school board of the school district in which the proposed charter school will be located shall be the sponsor of the new charter school. The State Board must adopt rules for the Commission's work, pursuant to Section 1002.3301, F.S.



Charter School Review Commission

- The rule:
 - Establishes the process by which the Charter School Review Commission will review charter school applications.
 - Sets forth the timeline in which the Commission must complete its work.
 - Prescribes how the Commission will inform the sponsoring district of an application approval and when the district must initiate contract negotiations.
 - Incorporates standard forms to:
 - Allow applicants to request a review from the Commission; and
 - Facilitate feedback from school districts on an application that the Commission must consider



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