## STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Action I tem

January 13, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-6.0571, Career and Technical Education and Adult General Education Standards and Industry-Driven Benchmarks

## PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

## **AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

Section 1004.92, Florida Statutes

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Department is responsible for developing program standards and industry-driven benchmarks for career and technical education and adult general education programs. The criteria for qualification of individual courses for inclusion in secondary and postsecondary career education programs and adult general education programs prescribed in Workforce Education programs are annually adopted by the State Board and are published by the Commissioner on the Department's website.

HB 1193 reduced the training hour requirements for three Career and Technical Education programs – Barber (1200 hours to 900 hours); Nail Specialty (240 hours to 180 hours); and Facial Specialty (260 hours to 220 hours). The Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPA), the enforcement authority for the professional boards and programs of Cosmetology and Barbering, recently authorized the reduction of training hours based on the Administrative Rules for Barbering: 61G3-16.001, Facials Specialty: 61G5-22.017, and Nails Specialty: 61G5-22.016. Technically, with the change of training hours, new programmatic frameworks must be developed which reflect these changes. The Administrative Rule changes have occurred during the 2020-2021 school year and, for school districts and state colleges to continue offering these programs, the newly developed frameworks, in accordance with Rule 6A-6.0571, must be adopted by the Florida State Board of Education.

Section 1004.92(2)(b)(4), Florida Statutes requires, "The development of program standards and industry-driven benchmarks for career, adult, and community education programs, which must be updated every 3 years. The standards must include career, academic, and workplace skills; viability of distance learning for instruction; and work/learn cycles that are responsive to business and industry. This amended rule will include the adoption of 2 new college credit certificates: Pattern-Making and Construction (21 credit hours) that is a stackable credential toward the award of the Fashion Design Associate in Science degree; and Lending (32 credit hours) that is a stackable credential toward the award of the Financial Services AS degree.

