STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Action Item

May 24, 2023

SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment to Rules 6A-4.002, General Provisions and 6A-4.004, Florida Educator's Certificates with Academic, Administrative, Degreed Career and Technical, and Specialty Class Coverages

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Section 1012.56, F.S.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this rule amendment is to align provisions with recent changes to section 1012.56, F.S., from House Bill 1 in the 2023 legislative session, which was signed into law on March 27, 2023. The amendments will revise the validity period of certain temporary certificates from three years to five years and automatically extend certain valid three-year temporary certificates to five years from the date of issuance unless already extended. The effect is to provide additional time for teachers to complete the requirements to obtain a Professional Certificate. Additional amendments to Rule 6A-4.002, F.A.C., will revise the criteria outlined for the acceptance of college teaching experience in order for educator certification applicants to satisfy requirements for the Professional Certificate. The effect of these additional amendments will expand acceptable college teaching experience to satisfy the mastery of general knowledge and mastery of professional preparation and education competence.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Rules 6A-4.002 and 6A-4.004, F.A.C.

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