

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Consent Item
July 24, 2024

SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-4.0021, Florida Teacher Certification Examinations

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Sections 1012.55, 1012.56, and 1012.59, F.S.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

During the 2024 Legislative session, the Legislature passed Senate Bill (SB) 7002, which, amended ss. 1012.56(3)(e) and 1012.59(4), F.S. This rule is being amended to incorporate provisions specified in SB 7002 pertaining to certification fee waiver eligibility and general knowledge certification requirements.

Pursuant to s. 1012.59(4), F.S., as amended by SB 7002, this rule amendment serves to waive the initial fees for the Exceptional Student Education K-12 or the Elementary Education K-6 subject area examination for examinees meeting the specified criteria. Additionally, pursuant to 1012.56(3)(e), F.S., as amended by SB 7002, this rule amendment incorporates minimum passing scores on the SAT, ACT, and Classic Learning Test (CLT) that may be used to satisfy the mastery of general knowledge requirements for educator certification. The effect of this rule adoption will be greater access to satisfy the general knowledge requirement and certification in Exceptional Student Education K-12 and Elementary Education K-6 subject areas.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Rule 6A-4.0021, F.A.C.

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