

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Action Item
October 18, 2023

SUBJECT: Approval of New Rule 6E-7.001, Designation of Restrooms and Changing Facilities in Private Post Secondary Educational Facilities

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Sections 553.865(16), 1005.22(1)(e), 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 provide reporting compliance requirements for private postsecondary colleges and universities licensed by the Commission for Independent Education, and institutions not under the jurisdiction or purview of the Commission, as identified in s. 1005.06(1)(b)-(f), F.S., by which colleges, universities and institutions will certify to the Department that they have met the requirements for facilities.

Pursuant to section 1005.22(1)(e), F.S., the Commission for Independent Education is authorized to adopt rules; however, the Commission's rules must be submitted to the State Board of Education for approval or disapproval.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Rule 6E-7.001 F.A.C., and CIE Form 901

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