

## State of Florida **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS**

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## **ANNUAL REGULATORY PLAN FOR 2021-2022**

Section 120.74 (1), Fla. Stat., requires agencies to prepare and publish an Annual Regulatory Plan by October 1 of each year. Subsections (a)-(d) require:

(a) Listing of each law enacted or amended during the previous 12 months which creates or modifies the duties or authority of the agency.

The Florida Legislature enacted Ch. Law 2021-57, Laws of Florida, revising Ch. 295, Fla. Stat., sections 295.065 *et seq.*, relating to veterans' preference and priority in employment. Principally, the Legislature waived certain educational requirements within the state and its political subdivisions, and revised the numbers of Veterans' Preference points assigned to the categories described in section 295.07, Fla. Stat., pursuant to section 295.08, Fla. Stat., and other changes, necessitating amendment of the following:

Division of Veterans' Benefits and Assistance

- Rule Ch. 55A-7, F.A.C., implementing section 295.07(2), Fla. Stat. 55A-7.003 7.016, Rule Titles under Veterans' Preference in Appointment and Retention in Employment
- (b) Listing of each law not otherwise listed pursuant to paragraph (a) which the agency expects to implement by rulemaking before the following July 1, except emergency rulemaking.

During the next twelve months, FDVA will be amending, promulgating or repealing the following:

Division of Veterans' Benefits and Assistance

- Rule Ch. 55A-3, F.A.C., implementing section 292.11, Fla. Stat.
- 55A-3.003, Temporary Status
- 55A-3.005, County and City Veteran Service Officer Training Courses
- 55A-3.006, Continuing Certification
- 55A-3.007, Failure to Attend Training Refresher Course
- 55A-3.009, Accreditation to United States Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Veterans' Domiciliary Home of Florida

- Rule Ch. 55-11, F.A.C., implementing Ch. 296, Part I, Fla. Stat.
- 55-11.003, Definitions.
- 55-11.005, Admission Eligibility
- 55-11.006, Admittance Priority and Procedure
- 55-11.009, Order and Discipline of Residents

55-11.012, Vocational Rehabilitation and Work Incentive Programs

Veterans' Nursing Home of Florida

- Rule Ch. 55-12, F.A.C., implementing Ch. 296, Part II, Fla. Stat.

55-12.006 Residents' Contribution to Cost of Care

55-12.007 Order and Discipline in the Home

## Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame

- Rule Ch. 55-14, F.A.C., implementing section 292.05(3), 265.003(2)(a) and (3)(a), Fla. Stat. 55-14.001, *et seq.*, *new* Rule Chapter for the purpose of establishing criteria and process for nomination and selection of honorees by the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame Council as an advisory board to FDVA, created within and administered by FDVA, as contemplated by Section 265.003(5), Fla. Stat.
- (c) Desired updates to the prior year's regulatory plan published pursuant to Section 120.74(7), Fla. Stat.

None.

- (d) Certifications on behalf of the agency by the agency head and the principal legal advisor.
  - I, James S. Hartsell, Executive Director, and agency head of the State of Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs, certify that I have reviewed the Annual Regulatory Plan for 2021-2022, that the agency regularly reviews all of its rules and has most recently reviewed all agency rules to determine that the rules remain consistent with the agency's rulemaking authority.

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Executive Director

I, Charles T. Faircloth, General Counsel, and principal legal advisor to the agency head of the State of Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs, certify that I have reviewed the Annual Regulatory Plan for 2021-2022, that the agency regularly reviews all of its rules and has most recently reviewed all agency rules to determine that the rules remain consistent with the agency's rulemaking authority.

By:

Charles T. Faircloth, General Counsel