

## State of Florida DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS

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## ANNUAL REGULATORY PLAN FOR 2022-2023

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 2022-39, to create the Veterans Suicide Prevention Training Pilot Program through a new statutory section, § 292.115, Florida Statutes, requiring the Department of Veterans' Affairs ("FDVA") to establish a pilot program to carry out the purposes set forth by the Florida Legislature. FDVA shall report to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives about the law's effectiveness by June 30<sup>th</sup> each year. The law states that FDVA shall adopt rules necessary to implement the pilot program in accordance with § 292.115(3).

The Department has not yet published a notice of rule development and is in the process of procuring services from a provider who will offer opportunities for Veterans' Claims Examiners and County and City veterans' service officers to identify persons who may benefit from suicide prevention interventions, and will help the department to design materials and training for a certification program.

(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:

Benefits and Assistance, Rule Chapter 55A-1, F.A.C. Identification Cards 55A-1.001 Purpose 55A-1.002 Eligibility 55A-1.003 Procedure

(c) Desired updates to the prior year's regulatory plan published pursuant to Section

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 2022-2023, 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.

James S. Hartsell,
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 2022-2023, 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.

Charles T. Faircloth, General Counsel