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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Commission Members  
**FROM:** Amelia Naomi, Attorney  
**DATE:** May 21, 2026  
**RE:** Rule Hearing on amendments to Chapter 34-13

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The Commission is being asked to consider and approve rulemaking involving necessary updates to Chapter 34-13, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). The rule amendments have been duly noticed and materials have been provided to the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee.

The purpose of this rulemaking is to include foster parents and foster children as described in Section 112.312(21), Florida Statutes, in the definition of "relative" for purposes of gift disclosure, as Chapter 2026-22, L.O.F. amended the statute to include current and former legally recognized foster parents and children in the statutory definition of "relative." This change in the statute was one of the Commission's legislative recommendations for the 2026 Legislative Session.

Rulemaking authority for these changes is found in Section 112.322(9), Florida Statutes, which allows the Commission "to make such rules not inconsistent with law" regarding its practices and procedures.

The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and the text of the proposed amended rules are attached. You will be asked to approve this proposed rulemaking at your June 5, 2026, Commission Meeting.

for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 112.3147, 112.322(9), FS

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 112.312, 112.3148, 112.3149, FS

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: June 5, 2026, 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: First District Court of Appeal, 2000 Drayton Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32311

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Diana Westberry, Office Manager, Florida Commission on Ethics, (850)488-7864. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Amelia Naomi, Attorney, Florida Commission on Ethics, (850)488-7864, naomi.amelia@leg.state.fl.us

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

**34-7.010 List of Forms and Instructions.**

(1) The following forms and instructions are incorporated by reference and are used by the Commission in its dealings with the public:

(a) through (f) No change.

(g) Form 9, Quarterly Gift Disclosure. To be utilized by persons who are required to file Form 1 or Form 6 and by State procurement employees for compliance with the quarterly gift disclosure requirements of Section 112.3148(8), F.S. <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19596> <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-07113>. Effective 7/2026 Revised 6/2016.

(h) Form 10, Annual Disclosure of Gifts from Governmental Entities and Direct Support Organizations and Honorarium Event Related Expenses. To be utilized by persons who are required to file Form 1 or Form 6 and by State procurement employees for compliance with the gift disclosure requirements of Section 112.3148(6), F.S., and the honorarium disclosure requirements of Section 112.3149(6), F.S. <http://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19587> <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06093>. Effective 7/2026 Revised 10/2015.

(i) No change.

(2) No change.

Rulemaking Authority Art. II, Section 8(i), Fla. Const., 112.3144, 112.3145, 112.3147, 112.3215(14), 112.322(9), 112.324(1)(a) FS. Law Implemented Art. II, Section 8(a), (f), (h), Fla. Const., 112.313(9),

(12), 112.31425, 112.3143, 112.3144, 112.31446, 112.3145, 112.3148, 112.31485, 112.3149, 112.3215, 112.324(1)(a) FS. History—New 4-11-76, Formerly 34-7.10-7.22, 8.10, Amended 2-23-77, 4-7-77, 5-17-77, 10-20-77, 2-25-79, 1-29-80, 4-29-81, 1-12-82, 3-25-82, 2-21-83, Formerly 34-7.10, Amended 7-10-88, 3-4-91, 10-6-91, 10-29-91, 12-22-91, 7-5-92, 10-15-92, 12-6-92, 11-10-93, 12-27-93, 11-21-94, 2-16-95, 12-26-95, 1-27-97, 1-1-98, 1-1-99, 1-1-00, 12-4-00, 12-21-00, 10-14-01, 11-22-01, 1-1-02, 1-1-03, 1-1-04, 1-1-05, 1-1-06, 6-15-06, 1-1-07, 1-1-10, 8-18-10, 1-1-11, 1-19-11, 11-4-13, 1-1-15, 11-24-15, 7-5-16, 1-9-17, 1-9-20, 4-8-21, 1-1-24, 11-28-24.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Amelia Naomi, Attorney, Florida Commission on Ethics, (850)488-7864, naomi.amelia@leg.state.fl.us

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Kerrie Stillman, Executive Director, Florida Commission on Ethics

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 7, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: April 29, 2026

**COMMISSION ON ETHICS**

RULE NO.: 34-13.260

RULE TITLE: "Relative" Defined

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this rulemaking is to include foster parents and children in the definition of "relative" for purposes of gift disclosure, as Chapter 2026-22, L.O.F. amended s. 112.312(21), F.S. to include such individuals in the definition of "relative." The effect of this change will be that the amended statutory definition of the term "relative" in s. 112.312(21), F.S., will be reflected in the Rule.

SUMMARY: Rule 34-13.260 will be amended to include foster parents and children, as described in Chapter 2026-22, L.O.F. (amending s. 112.312(21), F.S.) in the definition of "relative" for purposes of gift disclosure.

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:**

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: Based on past experience, the adverse impact or regulatory costs, if any, do not exceed and would not be expected to exceed any one of the economic criteria set forth in s. 120.541, F.S.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 112.322(9), FS  
LAW IMPLEMENTED: 112.312, 112.3148, FS  
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THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

**34-13.260 "Relative" Defined.**

"Relative" means an individual who is related to the subject individual as father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, half sister, grandparent, great grandparent, grandchild, great grandchild, step grandparent, step great grandparent, step grandchild, step great grandchild, foster parent or foster child as described in Section 112.312(21), F.S., person who is engaged to be married to the subject individual or who otherwise holds himself or herself out as or is generally known as the person whom the subject individual intends to marry or with whom the subject individual intends to form a household, or any other natural person having the same legal residence as the subject individual.

*Rulemaking Authority 112.322(9)(b) FS. Law Implemented 112.312, 112.3148, 112.3149 FS. History--New 4-16-92, Amended .*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

RULE NOS.:	RULE TITLES:
64-4.215	Renewal Application Requirements for MMTCS
64-4.217	MMTC Financial Assurance
64-4.221	MMTC Seed-to-Sale Tracking System Integration
64-4.222	MMTC STS Tracking System Procedures
64-4.224	Dosing and Supply Limits for Medical Marijuana

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Pursuant to Chapter 2025-199, § 15, Laws of Florida, this rulemaking initiates nonemergency rulemaking to replace emergency rules 64ER25-1, 64ER22-1, 64ER24-1, 64ER24-2, and 64ER22-8 adopted by the Department to implement section 381.986, Florida Statutes.

SUMMARY: These rules set forth requirements for medical marijuana treatment centers (MMTCs) for licensure renewal, financial assurance, the MMTC Seed-to-Sale Tracking System, and dosing limits.

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION.**

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: Pursuant to Chapter 2025-199, § 15, Laws of Florida, rules adopted to replace emergency rules are exempt from sections 120.54(3)(b) and 120.541, Florida Statutes.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. X, § 29, Fla. Const., 381.986(4)(f), 381.986(4)(k), 381.986(8)(b), 381.986(8)(k), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. X, § 29, Fla. Const., 381.986(4)(f), 381.986(8), 381.986(8)(b), 381.986(8)(d), 381.986(8)(c), 381.986(8)(g), F.S.

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