

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

PROPERTY TAX OVERSIGHT PROGRAM

RULE NO.:	RULE TITLE:
12D-9.101	Scope of These Uniform Rules of Procedure.
12D-9.102	Definitions.
12D-9.103	Duties of the Board.
12D-9.104	Duties of the Clerk.
12D-9.105	Authority and Duties of Special magistrates.
12D-9.106	Petition.
12D-9.107	Representation of the Taxpayer.
12D-9.108	Standards of Conduct.
12D-9.109	Filing and Service
12D-9.110	Exchange of Evidence.
12D-9.111	Notice of Hearing; Scheduling of Hearings; 4-Hour Rule; Presentation of Evidence; Testimony of Witnesses; Conducting Hearings by Electronic Media.
12D-9.112	Disqualification or Recusal of Special Magistrates.
12D-9.113	Ex Parte Communication Prohibition.
12D-9.114	Recordation.
12D-9.115	Final Decisions.
12D-9.116	Further Judicial Proceedings.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of these proposed rule changes is to set forth uniform

procedures for hearings before value adjustment boards and their magistrates; and, to consider uniform forms related to these procedures. A preliminary text is currently available on the Department's website at <http://dor.myflorida.com/dor/property/vabwb/vabrules.html>. A revised version, which will be the subject of these workshops, will be posted on or about October 6, 2008 at the same website address or from the contact person listed below. General comments, questions, or suggestions about the value adjustment board process may be submitted to the Department at VAB@dor.state.fl.us.

The effect of these proposed rule changes is to set forth clear, equitable, and uniform procedures for taxpayers who petition property tax matters to Value Adjustment Boards, including property tax assessments, denials of classifications, and denials of exemptions.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The subject of this workshop is the property tax value adjustment board process.

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: 194.011(5), 195.027(1), 213.06(1) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Ch. 2008-197, Laws of Florida, 194.011, 194.013, 194.015, 194.032, 194.034, 194.035, 194.036, 195.022 FS.

RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS WILL BE HELD AT THE DATES, TIMES, AND PLACES SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: October 13, 2008; 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Hillsborough County Extension Service, 5339 County Road 579, Seffner, Florida.

DATE AND TIME: October 17, 2008; 10:00 a.m., Central Standard Time

PLACE: Panama City, City Hall, 9 Harrison Avenue, 2nd floor, Panama City, Florida.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE

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THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE FROM THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED ABOVE.